

October 11/1945.

SUPPLYING WATER TO RESIDENTS DUTCH VILLAGE RD.

October 1, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held at the T. B. Hospital on the above date, the matter of supplying water to residents in the Dutch Village Road, area, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that an agreement be made with the Public Service Commission to supply water to residents in the Dutch Village Road area.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the report be approved with the understanding that same is to apply to the City side of Dutch Village Road only. Motion passed.

RELEASE ACCIDENT FIRE ALARM CAR

October 4, 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 from the District Treasury Officer of M. D. #6, advising that the claim amounting to \$50.45 of the City of Halifax covering cost of repairs to the truck of the Fire Alarm Telegraph Department which was damaged by a military vehicle on January 15/1945, has been approved for payment and enclosing forms of release to be signed by the proper officials before payment can be made, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the release.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

October 11, 1945.

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

TENDERS FOR OLD FIRE ENGINES

October 4, 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 Mr. C. J. Leahy of Chester, N. S. offering to pay the sum of \$100.00 for the old Fire Engine known as "Cornwallis" and \$25.00 for the old Fire Engine known as "Patricia" was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the tender be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

MOUNTED SQUAD

October 4, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:

A report from the Safety Committee recommending that the Mounted Squad be abandoned was considered at the last regular meeting of the City Council and same was referred back to the Safety Committee for the purpose of obtaining a full and detailed account of the development, administration, etc., of the Mounted Division.

This matter was again considered by the Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date when a complete report on the matter was submitted by Deputy Chief of Police George C. Fox and your Committee is forwarding same to Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Moved by Alderman Breen that the Chief of Police be instructed to bring the Mounted Squad up to strength and that it be developed and a report brought to this Council at the end of three months as to the progress made.

There was no seconder to this motion.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he didn't think it was fair to present a resolution like that.

Alderman Hosterman stated that it was felt that Council did not have sufficient information on the Mounted Squad so Deputy Chief of Police Fox was requested to make a report and we now have it.

Aldermen Burgess stated that he thought the Safety Committee recommended that it be abolished. I will be glad to vote on it either here or in the Safety Committee.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that this matter be referred back to the Safety Committee for a recommendation.

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

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Batson
Hosterman
DeWolf
Doyle
Walker
Burgess

- 6 -

AGAINST IT:

Alderman Moriarty
Breen
Adams
McDonald
Ahern

- 5 -

PURCHASE SIRENS POLICE DEPARTMENT CARS

October 9/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held

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on the above date, the matter of providing sirens for the Police Cars, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that 6 sirens at a cost of approximately \$315.00 be purchased and installed in the Police Department Cars; funds for same to be provided from the Current Estimates of the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACTION AGAINST THE CITY RE ACCIDENT POLICE
UTILITY CAR....

October 4, 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 from Mr. Russell McInnes advising that he is acting for Mr. Leo Roach who was injured by a car owned and operated by the City of Halifax at the Corner of Buckingham and Argyle Streets, September 21st, last and that he intends to take such action as may be necessary to recover for injuries, loss and damage sustained by Mr. Roach arising out of the said accident, was considered.

Your Committee wishes to advise Council that the matter has been referred to the City Solicitor's Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Solicitor advised that there were two claims and that they are in the hands of the insurance company.

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QUESTIONS

Alderman Batson again brought up the matter of some system of ventilation for the Council Chamber and asked if something could be installed to remedy the smoke and stale air.

Mr. MacKinnon stated that a new ventilator has been placed on the roof but we need a fan in the Council Chamber to blow the smoke away which could be operated when conditions are bad.

TENDERS FOR JUNK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Alderman Burgess asked if there were any tenders in for the junk in the Police Department to which the Deputy Chief of Police Fox advised that he had received a tender for \$100.00 but that the time for receiving tenders had not expired.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Doyle that the Deputy Chief of Police be authorized to accept the highest tender. Motion passed.

ILLUMINATED OVERHANGING SIGNS

October 11/1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 2nd instant, on motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, recommended to City Council that the leases referred to in the following attached reports of the Commissioner of Works on applications for illuminated overhanging signs/ granted:-

be
Report dated and entitled:-

October 11/1945.

Sept. 24/45 - Illuminated Sign George St. Corner Barrington Street.
Sept. 17/45 - Illuminated Sign 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ George St.
Sept. 27/45 - Illuminated Sign 146 Granville Street.
Sept. 13/45 - Illuminated Sign 177 Quinpool Road.
Sept. 6/45 - Illuminated Sign 188 Quinpool Road.
Sept. 29/45 - Illuminated Sign Salter St.
Oct. 1/45 - Illuminated Sign South Park St.
Sept. 28/45 - Illuminated Sign Sackville Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

October 11/45.

City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on this date recommended to City Council that the leases referred to in the following attached reports of the Commissioner of Works on applications for illuminated overhanging signs be granted:-

Report dated and entitled:

Oct. 10/45 - Illuminated Sign - 197 Quinpool Road.
Oct. 10/45 - Illuminated Sign - Sackville Street.
Oct. 10/45 - Illuminated Sign - 86 Hollis Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

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

COAL HOLE ENCROACHMENTS

October 11/45.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 2nd instant, on motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Walker, approved and recommended to the

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City Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated September 28th, 1945, on an application from the Regional Chief Engineer of the C.N.R. asking permission to enlarge the two existing coal hole openings on the south side of George Street, between Granville Street and Barrington Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

September 28/1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

An application has been received from the Regional Chief Engineer of the Canadian National Railways, asking permission to enlarge the two existing coal hole openings on the south side of George Street between Granville and Barrington Streets. The present coal holes are 17 inches in diameter and it is proposed to enlarge them to 30" x 32".

The City Charter gives the Committee power to grant these requests, provided the owners enter into a lease with the City containing such terms as approved by the City Solicitor, and upon the payment of an annual rental of Five Dollars (\$5.00) for each coal hole.

I would therefore recommend that the Canadian National Railways be given permission for these encroachments.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.

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

STREET EXTENSION BETWEEN NEWTON AVE. AND CONNAUGHT AVE.

October 11/45.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 2nd instant, on motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Walker, approved and recommended to the

October 11/1945.

City Council for adoption the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated September 17/1945, and entitled "Street Extension between Newton Avenue and Connaught Avenue."

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: T. J. Moore.

September 17/1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

Some time ago Alderman DeWolf and I were requested to make a report to the Committee on Works as to the necessity for extending the five short streets (First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth) which run between Newton Avenue and Connaught Avenue, and to recommend which we considered most suitable.

On examining the plan and looking over the ground we concluded that only two of these streets need be extended; we selected Third and Fourth Streets which come almost opposite Oak Street the central avenue between Chebucto Road and Quinpool Road, from Harvard to Connaught Avenue.

If either Third or Fourth Street had been a direct extension of Oak Street, it is probable that only one would have been chosen. However, running one either side as they do, and Connaught Avenue being a boulevard, we concluded that traffic would be facilitated by leaving both open.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.

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

DAMAGE TO FIXTURES

October 11/45.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 2nd instant, considered the attached report dated

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September 27th, 1945, in which the Commissioner of Works advises that on March 3rd, 1945, a motor vehicle owned by the Department of National Defence (Army) damaged a street light at the intersection of Cornwallis Street and Gortingen Street to an amount of \$8.93, and that the Military Treasury Department has agreed to compensate the City to the above mentioned amount provided the City of Halifax returns the accompanying releases discharging the Department from further claims.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

DWELLING AND SHOP RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT

October 11/1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen;

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 2nd instant, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated September 25th, 1945, on an application by Mr. George Claridge for permission to erect a dwelling containing a store on the lower floor for the sale of goods by retail, on the north side of Chebucto Road, between Mumford Road and Phillip Street.

On motion of Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman DeWolf the Committee 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.

September 25/45.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

An application has been made by Mr. George Claridge

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for permission to erect a dwelling containing a store on the lower floor for the sale of goods by retail, on the north side of Chebucto Road between Mumford Road and Phillip Street.

Mr. Glaridge was requested to insert a notice in the local paper, stating that if anyone had objections to the permit being granted they should file their objections, in writing, with the Building Inspector, on or before August 16th.

Since no objections have been received in writing, I would recommend that the matter be left to the decision of the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

ASPHALT SIDEWALK GRAFTON STREET

October 11/1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 2nd instant, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated October 2nd, 1945, on an application from the Provincial Motors Limited, for permission to extend the asphalt pavement across the sidewalk on the west side of Grafton Street for a distance of approximately 180 feet.

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Walker the said report in which the Commissioner recommends that they be given permission to do this, provided the work is done at their own expense, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption, subject to the provision that the work be done in accordance with the specifications of the Commissioner of Works.

Respectfully submitted

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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October 2, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

An application has been received from Provincial Motors Limited, for permission to extend the asphalt pavement across the sidewalk on the west side of Grafton Street for a distance of approximately 180 feet.

This Company intends to pave their lot around their proposed gasoline pumps and as mentioned above, to extend it across the sidewalk.

I would therefore recommend that they be given permission to do this provided the work is done at their own expense.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$500.00 T. HOGAN & CO.

October 11/1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the 2nd instant, on motion of Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, recommended to the City Council that the attached account from T. Hogan & Co., dated June 30th, 1945, for repairs to #1 Steam Roller, amounting to \$3,479.00 be paid, subject to the approval of the Chief Accountant and the Internal Auditor.

The account would be charged against "Streets Appropriation."

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

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MILITARY PROPOSALS FOR EXCHANGE OF PROPERTY

October 11/1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on this date, considered the attached copy of a letter addressed to His Worship Mayor A. M. Butler, under date of October 1st, 1945, in which Brigadier J. C. Stewart, District Officer Commanding M.D. No. 6, sets forth proposals for exchanges of property in a form which will act as a basis for discussion.

In accordance with the attached letter addressed to the Secretary, Committee on Works, under date of October 9th, 1945, by Mayor A. M. Butler, the Committee recommended to Council that the Committee on Works be appointed to meet with the Army officers to further the matter, and to report thereon to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Headquarters, M.D. No. 6,
Halifax, N.S., 1st October.

Mr. A. M. Butler,
Mayor of Halifax,
HALIFAX, N. S.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

1. Reference our conversation re Army reconstruction plans for M. D. No 6.

2. It is proposed that the Army activities in Halifax should be more concentrated than at present. In order to do this, it is desired to construct on the South Barracks property, an up-to-date office building for District HQ., to clear R.A. Park of old buildings, retaining historical ones such as the Cambridge Library, etc. To develop New Wellington Barracks and Willow Park as barracks for single officers and other ranks and to develop the Chebucto property as married quarters for Officers and other ranks.

3. This will free a number of properties in down town Halifax. The Department are prepared to discuss the extension of Brunswick Street through the South Park Barracks; the new District H.Q. building to

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face this new extension. To concur in the straightening Queen Street where it meets Sackville Street. The extension of Gottingen Street through the present Glacis and Pavillion Barracks and various other extensions and widening of streets already discussed with your committees.

4. The Department are also prepared to discuss the disposal of the Bellevue property on Spring Garden Road.

5. In other words, the Department are desirous of obtaining the Chebucto property from the City and are prepared to discuss transfer of various Department properties to the City in exchange.

6. The building of the new District H.Q. is given high priority but to consider this, it would be necessary for the Brunswick Street extension to be well under way at an early date.

7. Could you let us have the feelings of your Council on the above in order that more detailed arrangements could be gone ahead with.

J. C. STEWART, Brigadier,
District Officer
Commanding,
Military District No. 6.

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

LETTER HALIFAX NORTH CIVIC IMPROVEMENT ASSOC'N RE MINUTES

September 19/1945.

Mr. Publicover,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.,

Dear Sir:

I have been requested by members of the above Association to write you requesting that you favor us with a copy of the minutes of all Committee Meetings.

Thanking you in anticipation,

I am,

Yours very truly,

John T. Garth,
SECRETARY..

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His Worship the Mayor stated that this letter was considered by the four major committees of Council and it was the concensus of opinion that the request should not be granted.

The City Clerk was directed to write to the Halifax North Civic Improvement Association that their request cannot be granted, but the minutes may be viewed by any tax payer who desires to do so.

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LETTER G. P. BETHUNE RE PROVINCIAL ELECTION

September 28/1945.

His Worship the Mayor, and
Members of the City Council.
HALIFAX, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sirs:

I have been requested and have consented to allow my name to go in nomination as a candidate for the seat in the Legislature of Nova Scotia representing Halifax (Centre).

I trust that this action on my part will not meet with the disapproval of the City Council. I do not propose to request any leave of absence, except on the actual day of the election, October 23rd, and will see to it that the work of the department is kept up.

I have felt it my duty to make myself available for this purpose in order that any experience or value I may have may be at the disposal of the public, and in the hope that I may in a small way make a contribution of public service to my City and Province.

Yours very truly,

CARL. P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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LETTER R. L. ROONEY RE PROVINCIAL ELECTION

October 6, 1945.

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

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Dear Sir:

In confirmation of our conversation this morning, please be advised that after being asked to permit my name to be presented at a nominating convention to select a candidate to represent the C.C.F. Party in the constituency of Halifax South in the forthcoming election in Nova Scotia, I have consented to do so.

It is not my intention to request for a leave of absence in this respect.

Your kind attention in referring this matter to the City Council at its next regular meeting will be sincerely appreciated.

Yours respectfully,

R. LEO ROONEY,

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LETTERS DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS RE APPROVAL OF
BORROWINGS

September 13/1945.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

Dr. Morton spoke to me with reference to the formal approval of the proposed borrowing of \$450,000 for the addition to the tuberculosis hospital.

The resolution to borrow this money was passed by the City Council on the 15th day of March, 1945 and the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs was given on the 29th of March, 1945 so that there is no objection in so far as this Department is concerned to the temporary borrowing of that sum of money pending the ultimate issue of the debentures.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Beazley,
Municipal Commissioner.

Sept. 21/1945.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

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Dear Sir:

I enclose copy of resolution respecting the borrowing of \$15,000 for the purpose of extending the water service on Belmont Street, Greenwood Street and Fairfield Road, on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Beazley,
Municipal Commissioner.

September 21/1945.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

I enclose for your records copy of resolution respecting the borrowing of an additional sum of \$25,000 in connection with the extension to the Tuberculosis Hospital on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Beazley,
Municipal Commissioner.

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LETTER CLERK OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL RE APPROVAL AMENDMENT
ORDINANCE

September 14/1945 .

Dear Sir:

This will advise you that the Governor in Council on the 12th instant approved of the amendment to Ordinance No. 6 of the City of Halifax, respecting Electric Wiring and the Use of Electrical Energy, read and passed a first and second time at regular meetings of the City Council held on the 12th day of July and the 16th day of August, A. D., 1945, respectively.

I enclose herewith one copy of the amendment duly certified as having been approved on the date mentioned.

Yours truly,
MARJORIE I. MACKEY,
for

W. P. Publicover, Esq., CLERK OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL.
City Clerk,
City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

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October 11, 1945.

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1945.

Civic Year	Reserves	O/S Bal. Aug. 31/45.	New Accounts and adjust- ments.	Sept. Collect- ions.	O/S Bal. Sept. 30/45.
1943-44	\$70,641.03	\$ 75,099.31		\$ 3,568.01	\$ 71,531.30
1944-45	12,950.14	163,272.21		7,987.44	155,284.77
1945	44,194.83	525,504.12	Dr. 75.59	67,736.02	457,843.69
		\$763,875.64	Dr. 75.59	79,291.47	684,659.76

Poll Taxes

1943-44	28,796.43			404.34	28,392.09
1944-45	17,161.03	Dr. 1.00		1,078.98	16,083.05
1945	49,664.95	Dr. 20.00		2,954.69	46,730.26

	1945	1944
Additional Collections		
Tax Arrears 1925-26 to 1942-43	4,466.34	
Corresponding Period Last Year		4,978.82
Collections as per Statement above	72,291.47	
Corresponding Period Last Year		116,446.49
Tax Collections for month	\$83,757.81	\$121,425.31
Collections Poll Tax Jan. 1/45 to Sept. 30/45	41,008.03	
Corresponding Period Last Year		37,042.16

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,
Chief Accountant.

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APPROPRIATIONS

AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 1945

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

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

APPROPRIATIONS:-

FREE BALANCE:-

City Home Salaries & Maintenance		\$ 29,060.07
Fleming Park	"	1,471.08
Public Gardens	"	8,514.41
Library	"	1,792.79
T.B.Hospital	"	24,375.94
Inf.Disease Hospital Salaries & Maintenance	"	14,768.08
Public Health and Welf.	"	9,652.70
Co-Operative Health	"	23,337.50
Police Department	"	63,444.81
City Prison	"	10,247.46
Works Dept.	"	121,329.10
Fire Dept.	"	81,714.68
Fire Alarm	"	4,328.80
Printing & Stationery	"	3,762.50

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,
Chief Accountant.

Checked EB

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

Meeting adjourned. -

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A. M. BUTLER,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
October 22, 1945,
4.40 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, Coffin, Adams, Doyle, Walker, Burgess, and Ahern.

The meeting was called specially to consider the report of the Safety Committee re The Mounted Squad.

MOUNTED SQUAD

Read report of the Safety Committee as follows:

Halifax, N. S.,
October 15-1945.

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

Gentlemen:

A meeting of the Safety Committee was held on the above date, at which the following members were present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Alderman Hosterman, Burgess, Moriarty, Walker and Doyle.

The matter of the continuance or discontinuance of the Mounted Squad was considered and after considerable discussion a resolution to the effect that the Committee recommend to the City Council that the Mounted Squad be continued for a further period of six months, was put and resulted in a tie vote as follows:

October 22/45.

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Hosterman
Doyle
Moriarty

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AGAINST THE MOTION:

Alderman Walker
Burgess
His Worship the Mayor

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Burgess stated that at the Safety Committee meeting he was concerned over the number of arrests made by the Mounted Squad and felt that the number was not satisfactory to warrant the retaining of the Squad. He stated that he was still of the same opinion, that the Squad should be abandoned.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the Mounted Squad be disbanded at once.

Alderman Coffin stated he had followed the discussion in the Safety Committee and that the arguments presented here are not in accordance with a report from Deputy Chief Fox. "The Mounted Squad is inefficient because it has not been tried out properly. I don't think we can deny any comparison between cars and horses. It seems to me that the point is: does the Police Department need a Mounted Unit in addition to its motor department. My difficulty is to come here and accept a motion in the face of the 2nd last paragraph of the Deputy Chief's letter. Surely his report is sincere and based on his own experience. Now we are asked to throw over the Mounted Squad. It has been looked upon as a joke because they have not had enough time to function properly. It has been carried on in a half hearted manner for one and one half years. I

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am quite willing to be persuaded."

Alderman Hosterman: "That is the same as I stated at the last meeting. I also felt in view of the Gal... report that this Mounted Squad has not had a proper chance to function properly. I believe that the Chief knows what he is doing. I am in favor of carrying on for six months more and then have a report at the end of that time."

Alderman Walker: "We have had twelve months to find out whether it is of any use to the City. If we can't find out in twelve months, it is time we did away with them. We could get at least two or three cars for what it costs us to run this Mounted Squad, we could get a motorcycle. He can go around the Park nineteen times while the horse is going around once. If cars are used, the police can get out of them and look after anything that is in the Park. I don't think the horses are a necessity. It is cars today. That is my reason for being against it."

4.45 P. M. - The Deputy Mayor assumes the Chair while His Worship the Mayor addresses the Council from the floor as follows:

"I would like to make some comments on this matter. It is pointed out that we should go slowly about rejecting the recommendation of a Department Head. I know of other situations where recommendations of Department Heads have not been accepted. I would like to stress the point that the initiation of the Mounted Squad did not come at all from official quarters, but it did come from

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certain members of this Council. It has been stated that we have treated it like a joke. The public at large have treated it like a joke. As for the paragraph referred to in the Chief's report, I quite agree, that is true, a Mounted Squad properly trained and developed is an asset to any Police Department, but have we enough motor cars, motorcycles and having regard to the speed that that equipment can travel? I have walked in the Park recently on Sundays and I have not seen the Mounted Squad there. Have we enough cars, men, firemen, schools and all the other things we need, are people taxed to such an extent that some things should be cut down now? This is a frill. I was interested in the report presented by the Chief and apart from the vagrancies I could go out in one day and do better than that if I were a Constable. I ask you, can we afford it for this frill, not only this one but others? If we approve of this tonight we are almost approving that the Police Department does not require any more cars and men."

4.55 P. M. - His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Alderman Coffin asked what the annual saving would be if the Mounted Squad were done away with to which His Worship the Mayor replied that from the statistics \$12,500.00 was for salaries and \$12,500.00 was for the horses and maintenance.

Alderman Coffin stated that from the report it appeared that the expenditures decreased in the later months of operation. "It was presented here that a motorcycle would be more than a horse."

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His Worship the Mayor stated that crime takes no holiday at night and horses are only used in the day, you want their work at night. "I feel that we should augment the motor section and drop this relic of the Victorian Age."

Alderman Breen asked Deputy Chief Fox how many weeks of the year does a motor cycle operate to which he replied from the 1st of April to October 31st.

Alderman Breen then asked how many weeks could the Mounted Squad be used providing they are equipped and directed both day and night to which Deputy Chief Fox replied that the horses can be used winter and summer if they are equipped and as for the night, they can be used in certain places.

Deputy Chief of Police Fox requested permission to say a few ^{words} regarding the Mounted Squad to which Council agreed.

He stated: "There has been a lot of talk about this Mounted Squad since its inception. Those horses started out on patrol about six months after ^{were purchased and} they had little training. The duties they performed for the first six months were very effective. They have given very good protection to our citizens and I have had no complaints so far. With regard to ceremonial and regimental purposes, I may say that this Department has spent very little for regimental purpose. The Royal Canadian Mounted Police spend a lot of money for regimental affairs. Every man is supplied with the very best equipment, and they send the very best looking men for any ceremonial occasion.

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If this Unit were doing no more than being a help to the coming generation, they are doing well. As to motor cars, people will call up and say they never see a Policeman around. I would say that a motorized Department is a very good thing but we should have at least five or six motorcycles. The Mounted Squad has its use for parades, parades and where there are gatherings. The expenses from now on may not be so high. I would ask this Council today to either bring this Unit up to strength of six men or disband it."

Alderman Walker stated that a Police Car could take men around and drop them off at the schools etc., and they could do their job and be away in no time. "I am positive that cars are way ahead of the horse."

The motion was then put and lost, two voting for the same and eight against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION:

Alderman Walker
Burgess

AGAINST THE MOTION:

Alderman Batson
Moriarty
Breen
Hosterman
Coffin
Adams
Doyle
Ahern

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Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Breen that the Mounted Squad carry on for a further period of six months from November 1st, 1945.

The motion was put and passed with Aldermen Burgess and Walker wishing to be recorded against.

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

Meeting adjourned. -

- 5.10 P. M.

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

A. M. BUTLER,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
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A G E N D A

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" " Grant Canadian Red Cross.
" " Grant Halifax Welfare Bureau.
" " Grant N. S. College of Art.
" " Tenders for the Sale of Land.
" " Appointment Chief Fire Department.
" " Superannuation Hoseman Hennessey.
" " Halifax Relief Commission Assessment.
" " Lord Nelson Hotel Assessment.
" " Taxes Hostel Tobin Street.
" " Purchase Surgical Unit.
" " Purchase Electrical Punch Register etc.
" " Tenders Bonding Officials etc.
" " Purchase Garbage Trucks.
" " Purchase Snow Blower and Loader.
" " Fire Escapes City Hall.
" " Sidewalks Maynard Street.
" " Camp Hill Cemetery Account.
" " City Field.
" " Woodcock Inn Property.
" " Conference National Institute Municipal Law
Officers.
" " 9th. Victory Loan.
" " December Pay.
" " Account Civic Planning Commission.
" " Assistance to City Assessor.
" " Salary Secretary Housing Commission.
" " Appointments to Civic Positions.
" " Magazine Salesmen.
" " Court Investigation.
" " Borrowing.
" " Purchasing Agent.
" " Wartime Housing.
Report Public Health & Welfare Comm. re Changes T. B. Hospital.
" " Progress Payments T. B. Hospital.
" " Tenders butter, eggs, etc.
" " Leave Absence X-Ray Technician.
" " Hot Water Tank City Prison.
" " Expense Account Commissioner of
Health.
" " Account over \$200.00.
Report Safety Committee re Fire Alarm Connection J. & M. Murphy Ltd.
" " Tenders for Roofs 3 Fire Stations.
" " Tenders for Scrap Metal.
" " Release Accident to Pumper.
" " Tender for Sale of 1940 Ford Car.
" " Floors Office of Chief of Police.
" " Account over \$200.00.
Questions.
Report Committee of the Whole Council re Land Quinpool Road.
Military Proposals Exchange of Properties.
Report Committee on Works re Petition Marlborough Woods.
Reports " Street Lighting.
Reports " Final Certificate.
Report " Accounts over \$500.00.

Report Committee on Works re Sewer and Water Connection Leeds Street.
" " " Tenders for Mechanical Equipment.
" " " Illuminated Signs.
" " " Lease City Abattoir.
Report Commissioner of Works re Official City Plan.
Report City Solicitor re C. N. R. Taxation Case.
Letter His Worship the Mayor re Disbanding H. C. E. C.
Letter Civic Planning Commission re Special Meeting of Council.
Letter Public Service Commission re Request of Council.
Letters Department Municipal Affairs Approval of Borrowings.
Report Chief Accountant re Tax Collections Month of October.
" " " Appropriations.

Deferred Item

1) Motion Alderman Walker re Time Clock.

EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
November 15, 1945,
8.00 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, Coffin, Adams, DeWolf, McDonald, Doyle, 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 Moriarty that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS

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

RESOLVED that this Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Finance and Executive Committee amounting to \$10,208.97; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$1,673.01 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$16,285.32 chargeable to Fire Department; the Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting \$15,107.29 chargeable to Health Department; \$8,430.89 chargeable to City Home and \$2,587.03 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$21,052.78; the Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$520.69 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman

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Moriarty that the resolution as submitted be approved.
Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT COAL WEIGHER

Halifax, N. S.,
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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, an application from Healy & Company Ltd. requesting to have Mr. Bert Frederick Bellefontain appointed and sworn as a city coal weigher, was considered.

Your committee recommends that the application be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

GRANT CANADIAN RED CROSS

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 payment of a grant to the Canadian Red Cross Society for the year 1945 was considered.

Your committee recommends that the sum of \$5,000 be paid to the Canadian Red Cross Society as provided by Schedule "A" Chapter 72, of the Acts of 1945.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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GRANT HALIFAX WELFARE BUREAU

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 Commissioner of Health, recommending that a further sum of \$1,000.00 be paid to the Halifax Welfare Bureau, was considered.

Your committee concurs in this report and recommends that the funds be provided as authorized by legislation.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

GRANT N. S. COLLEGE OF ART

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30, 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 increasing the annual grant to the Nova Scotia College of Art was considered.

Your committee recommends that legislation be obtained enabling the City to pay a sum not exceeding \$1,500.00 annually to the Nova Scotia College of Art beginning with the civic year 1946.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR THE SALE OF LAND

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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

November 15, 1945.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, tenders for various city owned properties were considered.

Your committee recommends that the following tenders be approved provided the tenderers pay the amount of the tenders to the City within a period of thirty days.

T. D. McGregor offering to pay the sum of \$325.00 for a lot of land on the s/s of Bayers Road 65 x 108.

F/Sgt. A. Alex S. M. Davidson, offering to pay the sum of \$400.00 for a lot on the s/s of Duffus Street 65 x 110.

B. W. Poole, offering to pay the sum of \$175.00 for lot No. 38 Windsor Street.

B. W. Poole, offering to pay the sum of \$175.00 for lot No. 39 Windsor Street, the latter two lots to be sold with the understanding that any charges for sewer which has been recently installed in this area, will be assessed against the properties.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

Read reports and letter as follows:

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 advising that applications from four members of the Fire Department for the position of Chief of the Department were received and recommending that Acting Chief Joseph W. Harber be promoted to the post, was considered.

Your committee is forwarding this report to Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Halifax, N. S.,
November 8, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date applications from four members of the Fire Department for the position of Chief of the Department were considered.

It is the recommendation of the Committee that Acting Chief Joseph W. Harber be promoted to the position of Chief.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13th, 1945.

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

Sirs:

May I first congratulate our Council in having a leader who will take a firm outspoken stand upon a question he considers "just and right", but think he must be mistaken in thinking so many council members would deliberately cast aside justice for personal or other purposes.

All the members of the organization for whom I write, see and realize that Mr. Harber's seniority, war services, experience of fighting fires under war conditions in England - together with the fact that some time he has been acting as such, place him as the one we should expect to fill the position of Fire Chief.

Also, we would appreciate feeling that the men we have placed to look after our City's welfare will stand solidly to see that RIGHT is uppermost.

Gentlemen: we leave this matter in your hands feeling certain you will do your duty towards all citizens.

On behalf of
THE HALIFAX COUNCIL OF THE PROTESTANT LEAGUE
OF CANADA,

Yours very truly,
T. Bruce Taylor,
President.

November 15, 1945.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Batson that nominations for the position of Chief of the Halifax Fire Department be received from the floor. Motion passed.

Alderman Walker nominated Mr. J. W. Harber as Chief of the Halifax Fire Department, at a salary of \$3,200.00 per annum.

Alderman Adams nominated Mr. F. C. MacGillivray as Chief of the Halifax Fire Department, at a salary of \$3,200.00 per annum.

There being no further nominations the vote was then taken and resulted as follows.

FOR J. W. HARBER

FOR F. C. MacGILLIVRAY

Alderman Batson
Hosterman
Coffin
McDonald
Walker

Alderman Moriarty
Breen
Adams
DeWolf
Doyle
Burgess
Ahern

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His Worship the Mayor then declared Mr. F. C. MacGillivray duly appointed as Chief of the Halifax Fire Department and further stated: "By powers vested in me as Mayor I wish to advise this Council that under Section 317 of the City Charter, I will signify my dissent to this vote by vetoing same and will duly endorse the necessary record on the minutes of Council".

SUPERANNUATION OF HOSEMAN HENNESSEY

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 Hoseman Frank Hennessey of the Fire Department be superannuated, as from December 1st. next, was considered.

By virtue of powers vested in me as Mayor pursuant to Section 317 of the City Charter I hereby signify my disapproval of the resolution effecting a contract involving the appointment of F. C. MacGillivray as Chief Officer of the Halifax Fire Department and further imposing an expenditure of money from the City Treasury, and I further signify my disapproval of the said expenditure. November 10, 1945. W. B. B. Walker, Mayor

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Your committee concurs in this report and recommends that Mr. Frank Hennessey be superannuated as from December 1st. next, at an annual allowance of \$1,048.00 as provided under section 873 and 873 (2) of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION ASSESSMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 Assessor respecting the matter of fixing the assessment of the Halifax Relief Commission for the year 1946 was considered.

Your committee concurs in the recommendation of the City Assessor viz. that the assessment for the year 1946 be fixed at the same amount as for the year 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 12, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor & Members
Finance & Executive Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:

I recently discussed with the Halifax Relief Commission the question of its assessment for the year 1946 and after giving the matter consideration the Commission informed me that they could not see its way clear to change the assessment from 1945. The assessment for 1945 was \$500,000; \$495,000 of which is in at the business rate of taxation and the other \$5,000 is at the residential rate or fixed rate of taxation. This does not include other property which the Relief Commission has, to the value of \$16,200; all of which is at the business rate of taxation.

In March of this year the Commission made an ex gratia payment of \$5,000 to the City in addition to its taxes on the foregoing assessment. The Commission

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did not know whether it would be in a position to make any such payment this year due to certain circumstances arising, but promised to give the matter consideration.

I would, therefore, recommend that the offer of the Halifax Relief Commission fixing its assessment for the year 1946 at \$500,000 divided as above stated, be accepted.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed. unanimously.

LORD NELSON HOTEL ASSESSMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30/45.

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 Assessor respecting the assessment of the Lord Nelson Hotel Co. Ltd. was considered.

Your committee concurs in the recommendation of this City Assessor, viz. that Council fix the assessment for 1946 at the same amount as for 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
October 25th, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor,
Members Finance and Executive Committee,
City of Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

Re Lord Nelson Hotel Co. Ltd.

Under the provisions of Sec. 65, Chapter 46 of the Act of the Province of Nova Scotia for 1944, the assessment on the above property must be fixed by Council not later than November 30th, 1945, for the Civic Year 1946.

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For the year 1945 this assessment was before the Court of Tax Appeals and the assessment fixed at \$470,000. a reduction of \$68,000. from the amount fixed by Council. The business assessment is fifty percent of the value of the real estate less such amounts which are assessed against other occupants for business taxes. The business assessment is \$212,300.

In view of the decision of the Court of Tax Appeals I would recommend that Council fix the assessment for 1946 at the same amount as for 1945.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. McManus,
City Assessor.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

TAXES HOSTEL TOBIN STREET

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30/45.

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 taxes outstanding on the property at No. 34 Tobin Street, which has been used as a Hostel, was considered.

Your committee recommends that this Hostel be treated the same as other hostels throughout the City and that the taxes be written off.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF SURGICAL UNIT

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive

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Committee held on the above date, a report from the Public Health and Welfare Committee recommending that a Davis Bowie electrical surgical unit be purchased from Ferranti Electric Limited at a cost of \$985.50 f.o.b. Toronto, was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, all members of Council being present and voting therefor.

PURCHASE ELECTRICAL PUNCH REGISTER ETC.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 one Gamewell Northern Electric Punch Register and Take-Up Reel at a cost of \$363.40 was considered.

Your committee concurs in this report and recommends that application be made to the Department of Municipal Affairs for authority to borrow the sum required for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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 equipping a fire department or acquiring or purchasing apparatus, machinery, and implements for use in extinguishing fires in 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

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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 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 a sum not exceeding Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) for the purpose of acquiring or purchasing apparatus, machinery and implements for use in extinguishing fires in the city, to wit: a Gamewell Northern Electric Punch Register and Take-up Reel for the Fire Alarm Service.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) 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 Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) as may be necessary for the purpose aforesaid; the said sums to be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

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 Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) 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 Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00).

THAT the issue of said debentures be postponed and that the said City do under and by virtue of the provisions of Section 31EA of the Halifax City Charter of 1931 borrow from General Current Account a sum or sums of money not exceeding Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00).

THAT the said sum or sums be so borrowed for a period not exceeding six 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.

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Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously, all members of Council being present and voting therefor.

TENDERS BONDING OFFICIALS

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 Commissioner of Finance advising that in response to advertisements calling for tenders for the bonding of civic officials and employees, eight tenders were received and recommending that a Fidelity Schedule Bond for a three year term from December 1/45 be taken with the Canadian General Insurance Company through the agency of R. K. Kelley & Company. the lowest tenderers for this type of coverage and that the present bond be cancelled concurrently with the placing of the new coverage was considered.

Your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 12, 1945.

The Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:

Complying with a resolution of City Council passed at a regular meeting held on October 11, 1945, tenders were called for the bonding of civic officials and employees.

Tenders for Fidelity Schedule Bond, were received from the following firms:

	<u>Rate per \$100.00</u>	
	<u>1 year term</u>	<u>3 yr. term</u>
1. H. N. WRATHALL CO., LTD for General Security Ins. Co.	22½¢	-
2. JACK & CO. LTD for London Guaranty and Accident Co. Ltd.	-	56½¢

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3. W. J. NICOLLE & CO. for Globe Indemnity Co. of Canada.	56 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢	-
4. C. WILLIS HEBB for Royal Insurance Co. Ltd.	56 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢	-
5. RAINNIE & CO. LTD. for The Globe Indemnity Co. of Canada.	56 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢	-
6. DALE & CO. LTD. for Royal Exchange Ins. Co.	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	56 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢
7. MAJOR BROS. LTD. for Canadian Indemnity Co.	20¢	50¢
8. R. K. KELLEY & CO. for Canadian General Ins. Co.	22 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	45¢

I respectfully recommend that a Fidelity Schedule Bond for a three year term, from December 1, 1945, be taken with the Canadian General Insurance Company, the lowest tenderers for this type of coverage, and that the present Bond be cancelled concurrently with the placing of the new coverage.

Yours very truly,

N. L. Sherman,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, all members of Council being present and voting therefor.

PURCHASE OF GARBAGE TRUCKS

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 dated November 9/45, recommending that the purchase of two garbage truck bodies etc. was considered.

Your committee concurs in the recommendation of the Committee on Works.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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GARBAGE TRUCK BODIES

Chairman and Members, Finance and Executive Committee,
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6th 1945, on Motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Walker, the Committee approved and recommended to the Finance and Executive Committee the purchase of one garbage truck body, manufactured by the Gar Wood Company, known as the "Load Packer" body, at a cost of \$3,798.00 f.o.b. Windsor, Ontario, Sales Tax included, and one "Sanivan" truck body manufactured by Sicards Limited, Montreal, at \$4,725.00 f.o.b. Montreal, Federal Sales Tax included; also that permission be given the Commissioner of Works to call for tenders for chassis to be delivered at the respective factories to mount the above mentioned Garbage Bodies, in accordance with reports of the Commissioner of Works dated September 4th 1945, entitled "Garbage Truck Bodies", and September 26th 1945, entitled "Garbage Body".

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously, all members of Council being present and voting therefor.

PURCHASE SNOW BLOWER AND LOADER

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the Committee on Works recommending the purchase of a Sicard combined snow-blower and loader at a cost of approximately \$19,000.00 was considered.

Your committee concurs in this report and recommends that application be made to the Department of Municipal Affairs for permission to borrow the sum required for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 15, 1945.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously, all members of Council being present and voting therefor.

FIRE ESCAPES CITY HALL

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30th, 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 borrowing of a sum not exceeding \$3500.00 for the purpose of erecting two "Fire Escapes on City Hall" was considered.

Your committee concurs in this report and recommends that application be made to the Department of Municipal Affairs for the borrowing of the sum stated.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

WHEREAS 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 erecting, acquiring, purchasing, altering, adding to, improving, furnishing or equipping buildings for public schools, hospitals, public libraries, fire department police office, lock-ups, prisons, city hall, city home, asylums for the harmless insane, or other city purpose.

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 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 a sum not exceeding Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3500.00)

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for the purpose of erecting, acquiring, purchasing, altering, adding to, improving, furnishing or equipping city hall, to wit: the erection of two outside fire escapes.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3500.00) 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 Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3500.00) as may be necessary for the purpose aforesaid; the said sums to be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

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 Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3500.00) 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 Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3500.00).

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 Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3500.00).

THAT the said sum or sums be so borrowed for a period not exceeding six 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 Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously, all members of Council being present and voting therefor.

SIDEWALKS MAYNARD STREET

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30th, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive

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Committee held on the above date, a report from the Committee on Works recommending the construction of concrete sidewalks on Maynard Street between Charles and West Streets was considered.

Your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30, 1945.

PETITION - CONCRETE SIDEWALK - MAYNARD STREET

Chairman and Members of the
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 29th, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated October 26th re "Petition - Concrete Sidewalk - Maynard Street" was considered.

On motion of Alderman Walker seconded by Alderman Ahern the said report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

Halifax, N. S.,
October 26, 1945.

PETITION - CONCRETE SIDEWALKS - MAYNARD STREET

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

I have a petition from property owners of Maynard Street between Charles and West Streets which does not bear a date, and which has apparently been mislaid.

It is filed under the date of July 12, 1944, but I have been informed by Alderman Doyle that the petition was made in 1943, and addressed to the Mayor. I have no doubt as to Alderman Doyle's contentions, and would recommend that the sidewalk be constructed, and be placed first on a new schedule which will be prepared early next year.

The total length of both sides of Maynard Street is 1240 feet and the estimated cost is \$6,700, the abutters share being \$3,000.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.

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Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CAMP HILL CEMETERY ACCOUNT

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 approval an application from Mrs. J. D. Fenton to have a bill of \$19.00 outstanding against lots 63 and 64, Section D, Division 6, in Camp Hill Cemetery written off providing she will place the lots in Perpetual Care, was considered.

Your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CITY FIELD

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 joint report from the Commissioner of Works and the Manager of the Public Service Commission, respecting a proposed new location for City Field was considered.

Your committee concurs in the recommendation contained in the report viz. that the City Field remain where it is and the necessary improvements be made to the Works and Water Department buildings, at a cost of \$191,000.00. Alderman Ahern wishing to be recorded against.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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October 1, 1945.

PROPOSED NEW LOCATION - CITY FIELD.

His Worship Mayor Allan M. Butler,
Chairman, Finance & Executive Committee,
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:

Having examined all the sites in the City which were considered at all suitable for a new City Field, to include the Water Department, we beg to report as follows:

<u>Location</u>	<u>Approx. Estimated Cost</u>
1. City Prison Farm - Robie Street	\$1,150,000.00
2. Hartlen's Field - Robie Street	1,150,000.00
3. City Dump - Kempt Road	Over one million
4. Rear "Y" Depot - Connaught Avenue	1,100,000.00
5. Bayers Road - East of C.N.R.	Over one million
6. Bayers Road - At Dutch Village	1,100,000.00
7. Mumford Road - At Mt. Olivet Cemetery	1,175,000.00
8. Mumford Road - East of C.N.R.	1,200,000.00
9. Silliker Car Works	1,090,000.00
10. Incinerator Field, Water Dept. Only	400,000.00
11. Incinerator Field, Water Dept. Only with Down Town Offices	\$25,000.00

Should you desire it, we shall be glad to submit a detailed report on any one of these sites which might appeal to you.

The present City Field buildings require renovations and repairs estimated to cost \$100,000.00, even if the Water Department were moved out.

If you move the Water Department to the Incinerator and make the necessary repairs at City Field, the estimated cost is \$500,000.00.

From the above, it would appear that there are three alternatives, as follows:

1. Provide a new City Field, Estimated Cost over \$1,000,000
2. Move the Water Department to the Incinerator, and repair the City Field Buildings - \$500,000.00
3. Provide the necessary accommodation at City Field
Works Department \$ 31,000.00
Water Department 160,000.00
Total \$ 191,000.00

Anyone who is at all acquainted with this building at City Field will agree that if both the Works Department and the Public Service Commission are to continue using it, something should be done at once. While the walls, which are the cost part of the construction, are in very good condition, the roof and trusses are in very poor shape.

The internal arrangements are absolutely inadequate and the facilities are antiquated for the efficient working of both Departments.

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There is no doubt a City Field located on the old Silliker property would have many advantages, but this is a tax producing property, and would involve the expenditure of almost a million dollars more than if we remained where we are.

We therefore have no hesitation in recommending that City Field remain where it is, and that the necessary improvements be made to the Works and Water Department buildings, at a cost of \$191,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

(Sgd.) R. M. MACKINNON
Commissioner of Works.

(Sgd.) H. W. L. DOANE
Manager, Public Service
Commission.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved.

Alderman Ahern stated he was still against this expenditure because the amount involved is too much for remodelling an old building.

8.30 P. M. The Deputy Mayor assumes the Chair while His Worship the Mayor addresses the Council from the floor as follows: "My remarks are the same as the Deputy Mayor's. What you are doing is authorizing an expenditure of a vast sum of money when you should be looking ahead 25 or 50 years and prepare now to move the City Field elsewhere. The value of the land there is tremendous and the City Field should be near a railway siding. The needs of the Public Service Commission should be satisfied by that body undertaking its own expenditure. To spend the sum of money involved means that the City does it and the Public Service Commission is free to move away 10 years from now. A site is available in the vicinity of the City Dump. I would suggest that this go back to the Finance and Executive and Works Committees for further review."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Burgess that this matter be referred back to the Works and Finance and Executive Committees for further study and report.

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Alderman Coffin stated that he was not particularly keen on this resolution. "I can't see where we are getting. We have had this up for six months. We are up against a bad situation. It has been before the Committee three times and they recommended it three times as we have it tonight. We appointed a committee consisting of engineers and they give us advice that we go ahead with the spending of a \$191,000.00 job. I think you are making a mistake. What is the alternative? There is no expert advice before this Council nor that this procedure was wrong."

His Worship the Mayor: "I can bring it to you."

Alderman Coffin: "I would like to hear it. We should move and move quickly and get this thing settled".

His Worship the Mayor: "The point I would like to stress is all that you are doing is building another Dump at the City Field where it should be moved out. It occupies a place where only high rental property should be. Mr. Doane told me he could makeshift this situation until we had a good opportunity of going into the matter to see about a development elsewhere".

Alderman Ahern: "I pointed out that we could look around for another place. That is a fortune, \$191,000.00. This is not in keeping with the tax payers wishes. This should be turned down."

Alderman Coffin: "I am opposed to turning it down."

Alderman Walker: "We have been looking for a place for a Fire and Police Station for quite a long time".

His Worship the Mayor: "I will give you the information I have later on so we will defer this for another month".

Alderman Breen: "This has been going on for about

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a year and we are just as far advanced now as it was then. I understood from Mr. Doane that we should get going. With regard to the recommendations of our engineers, you don't consider them very much because this has been kicked around for a year."

It was then agreed to change the amendment to read Committee on Works and Public Service Commission.

The amendment was then put and passed.

WOODCOCK INN PROPERTY

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 acquisition of the property known as the "Wood-Cock Inn Property" together with an adjoining vacant lot, was considered.

A copy of a letter from His Worship the Mayor under date of November 8/45 to Honorable A.L. MacDonald, Premier of Nova Scotia, in which it is indicated that he would recommend that if the Provincial Government will commence expropriation proceedings to acquire the property, that the City will agree to assume half of the costs involved, was read.

Your committee recommends that should the Provincial Government expropriate these properties, that the City assume half of the cost involved. Alderman Breen wishing to be recorded against.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved.

Ex-Alderman W. A. Gates was present in the Council Chamber and it was agreed to hear him.

Mr. Gates then addressed the Council as follows:
"Your Worship and Gentlemen there is another letter in the hands of the City Clerk in relation to the Woodcock Inn Property which I expected to hear read.

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It was agreed to have the letter read as follows:

Armdale, N. S.,
Nov. 10, 1945.

To His Worship the Mayor of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

Some representation has been made to the government or others interested in the future of the Woodcock Inn Site at Armdale, by parties claiming to be the ratepayers of Armdale.

On behalf of the Armdale Ratepayers Association which has recently been formed, and for which a carefully drawn Constitution has been approved by a large number of members, we the executive of the Association wish to state that:-

1. Any previous suggestions of correspondence other than that submitted by the municipal board of District # 12 did not convey the expression of the actual ratepayers of Armdale.

2. At a regular meeting of the Association held Tuesday night Nov. 7th a motion was passed calling for an early meeting to be held with Mr. Ira MacNab to be present, to explain the proposals for the future of this site after which the members would be expected to register their wishes regarding the said area.

3. Strong claims for a business centre were expressed at the Tuesday meeting but action could not be taken until a complete study has been made with the planning engineer and views are discussed.

4. It is the feeling of the Association that no definite action should be taken by the government until they have heard the expression of opinion from this Association, who, alone are most vitally to be affected by what is done to the said site.

5. A copy of the Association Constitution is enclosed.

On behalf of the executive of the Armdale Ratepayers Association, I remain,

Yours respectfully,

Eric B. Lamphier,
Secretary-Treasurer

Mr. Gates then continued by saying: "That letter is from the Armdale Rate Payers Association. It seems peculiar that the Government with the City of Halifax should desire to expropriate the Woodcock Inn Property before they have even seen the Civic Planning Scheme. The people of Armdale are opposed to this at the pre-

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sent time because they do not know what the plans may be of the Government or of the City of Halifax. I understand that the representatives of the City of Halifax, have not seen the Civic Planning Scheme and it is the intention to immediately expropriate this property. There is talk of a rotary traffic circle being put here. My suggestion to you is that you defer this matter tonight until such time as the Civic Planning Scheme has been viewed and studied and until the people have been consulted in the matter. They have not been consulted in any way, shape or form. I agree that the City has plenty of places to improve in the City without going outside the City. The bottleneck at Fairview is more important. I ask you to give this consideration and to study the Civic Planning Scheme and then if in your opinion it is a good thing we will go into it together. I am not saying that we may financially join. I ask you to give this earnest consideration.

His Worship the Mayor: "The Woodcock Inn is under-going repairs and the Premier wrote me with respect to this matter. As for the attitude of the Civic Planning Commission, they are most anxious that the City should buy it. This is really the time to acquire that property at one half cost that you would otherwise pay. My recommendation is that you proceed to purchase it. I don't see any room for delay. The scheme is in the Civic Planning Commission report. They are going to make a marine park and put in a traffic circle and improve the site generally."

Alderman DeWolf stated that the tax-payers of Wards four and six have passed a resolution that the property be purchased.

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Alderman Breen asked if the Provincial or Federal Governments have given any indication as to the part they will play in this?

His Worship the Mayor replied in the negative.

Alderman Breen continued by saying that we should go slow until we get some information from the Civic Planning Commission. "I don't think this Council should commit itself to any expenditure until such time as the Master Plan is submitted and adopted. If we are in a hurry to spend money there are many health problems we could attend to."

Alderman Ahern said that this was the first move by the Provincial Government to help us.

The motion was then put and passed, ten voting for the same and two against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Aldermen Adams
Ahern
Batson
Burgess
Coffin
DeWolf
Doyle
Hosterman
McDonald
Moriarty

AGAINST IT

Aldermen Breen
Walker

CONFERENCE NATIONAL INSTITUTE MUNICIPAL LAW OFFICERS

Halifax, N. S.,
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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, a letter from the City Solicitor requesting permission to attend a conference of the National Institute of Municipal Law Officers, which is to be held in Washington, D. C., December 3, 4 and 5, 1945, was considered.

Your committee recommends that the City Solicitor be authorized to attend this conference and granted a sum sufficient for expenses in connection therewith.

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

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Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

9TH VICTORY LOAN

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 Commissioner of Finance, advising that Pay Roll subscriptions to the Ninth Victory Loan by civic employees and officials amounted to \$50,000.00 was read.

Your committee recommends that the City Treasurer be authorized to purchase and hold for civic employees and officials bonds of the Ninth Victory Loan in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

DECEMBER PAY

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a letter from the Commissioner of Finance respecting the matter of paying the full salary to civic officials and employees for the month of December on or about the 15th. of that month was considered.

Your committee recommends that the policy of the past number of years in paying the full salary for the month of December on or about the 15th. of that month be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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ACCOUNT CIVIC PLANNING COMMISSION

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 Mr. Harold Lawson amounting to \$1,382.10 covering services rendered to the Civic Planning Commission, was considered.

Your committee recommends that the account be approved for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

ASSISTANCE CITY ASSESSOR

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30/45.

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 providing assistance to the City Assessor on assessment appeals before the Court of Tax Appeals was considered.

Your committee recommends that the City Assessor be authorized to engage expert assistance to assist him on appeals from his assessments before the Court of Tax Appeals when considered necessary by him.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Mr. McManus addressed the Council as follows:

"The Finance and Executive Committee suggested that I be given assistance on the matter of Appeals before the Court of Tax Appeals. The assistance should be given prior to that in the preparation of the assessment.

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An example is the Lord Nelson Hotel and the C. N. R. Assessments. We should have the assistance prior to the assessment."

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be adopted and that the City Assessor be also authorized to engage such expert assistance prior to and subsequent to the hearings before the Court of Tax appeals. Motion passed.

SALARY SECRETARY HOUSING COMMISSION

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30/45.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a letter from the Chairman of the Management Committee of the Housing Commission respecting the appointment of a Secretary and Supervisor was considered.

Your Committee recommends that provision be made in the salary scale for the classification of Secretary and Supervisor at a flat salary of \$2,000.00 per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved.

Read letter from the Halifax District Trades and Labour Council as follows:

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His Worship Mayor Butler
Members of City Council
City Hall

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Halifax District Trade & Labour Council, held Wednesday Nov. 14th 1945, representations were made by the City Hall Federated Union on behalf of one of their members Mr. Mielke.

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As we understand it Mr. Mielke has since January 1930 filled the position as Secretary of the Halifax Housing Commission in a very efficient manner. Since Nov. 1944 he has been Supervisor War Time Housing, to the satisfaction of all concerned. Now we are informed that Mr. James Connolly has been appointed to fill the positions so ably held by Mr. Mielke, and has no experience along those lines.

We are also informed that Mr. Mielke is to be, or is transferred to another Department, where it is felt that he will be called upon to work at something, that would not give the same service to the Tax-payers as if left in the positions that he has proven himself to be a very efficient employee.

To complicate matters the Finance Committee passed to pay a salary of \$2000.00 to Mr. Connolly. On Nov. 1st Mr. Mielke was instructed to carry on his former positions. Labor is at loss to understand this method of juggling employees, especially those that has given the long and faithful service that Mr. Mielke has. By resolution, as Secretary of Council I was instructed to write this letter, requesting City Council to give Labor the opportunity to appear before Council on behalf of Mr. Mielke.

On behalf of the Officers & Members of The Halifax District Trade & Labour Council, I Remain.

Respectfully yours,

James M. Cody,
General Secretary.

His Worship the Mayor: "Representations were made for Mr. Mielke by a member of the staff. The Finance and Executive Committee has not, nor has this Council heard anything from the Union that there is anything wrong with this appointment. The Civic Union should be the one to come before Council. This appointment has nothing whatsoever to do with Mr. Mielke and does not interfere with him in any way.

Mr. Hugh Henderson, who was present in the Council Chamber, requested a hearing to which Council agreed.

Mr. Henderson then addressed the Council as follows: "We are not here to try to run the business of the City as we are to see justice done a member of organized labour. Mr. Mielke is to be replaced by Mr. Connolly in a position Mr. Mielke has filled for 16 years. He was Secretary of the Housing Commission until 1944.

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We know that labour in this case is not having a just deal. We know that it is contemplated to build 250 more houses and if that is a fact then I believe efficiency is one of the things this Council should look for. What we are requesting is owing to the short notice, we ask deferment of this salary grant that we may go into discussion with the Wartime Housing Commission on this point. We are interested in the displacement of a man who has given service for 16 years."

His Worship the Mayor: "That is not right. He is going to carry on with the same work he has been doing."

Mr. Henderson continued: "We know that in September of this year this Council went on record that appointments made in this Council would be made in accordance with returned men. This man is not a returned man. He has been working on the waterfront. We would like to have enlightenment on this matter. We would get this Council to grant us a deferment." Thank you.

Alderman Ahern: "Mr. Mielke won't be hurt in any way and I want it placed in the minutes that Mr. Mielke's position would not be injured or he let out when the Wartime Housing Commission is over."

His Worship the Mayor: "Both sides are able to bargain collectively."

It was agreed to hear Mr. Garnier as follows: "All we say is that the Mayor is in error regarding the Union. The Trades and Labour Council is the parent body. If there is any grievance that the Federal Union cannot handle, it comes to the parent body."

His Worship the Mayor: "This Council can assure these gentlemen that Mr. Mielke will not be hurt. I don't see any need for delay."

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Mr. Rooney of the City Solicitor's Department stated that Mr. Mielke's spirit is broken considerably due to the action that has been taken. I received assurance that his position would not be jeopardized. He feels that your assurance is contrary to the minutes of the Finance and Executive Committee. We want an opportunity to go into this matter and see if the appointment will hurt him".

His Worship the Mayor: "You know that no Council can give a permanent assurance. It is already written into the records of the Finance and Executive Committee and I have given you the assurance. If you get the assurance tonight, why do you want this deferred? You are assured that Mr. Mielke will be returned to the Finance and Accounting Department.

Mr. Rooney: "We wish to explore Mr. Connolly's appointment. We want a deferment in all fairness."

It was agreed to hear Mr. J. J. Campbell, President of the Longshoremen who remarked as follows: "What is wrong with granting this deferment? We want a postponing of the setting of the salary."

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Coffin that this matter be deferred for one month. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENTS TO CIVIC POSITIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date, considered the matter of appointments to civic positions and it was agreed to recommend to Council, that legislation be obtained to provide that before any appointments are made by the Council or any committee thereof that advertisements be inserted in the press seeking applications for the positions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 15, 1945.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

MAGAZINE SALESMEN

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30/45.

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

Gentlemen:

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date, had for consideration a letter from the law firm of Stewart, Smith, MacKinnon and Rogers requesting that the Grolier Society Limited be exempted from furnishing their salesmen with non-resident licenses as provided by Ordinance #33 of the City of Halifax and advising that a Bill will be introduced in the Provincial Legislature at the next session to amend adverse legislation in this connection.

Your committee recommends that the City Solicitor be requested to oppose such legislation when same is presented to the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

COURT INVESTIGATION

Halifax, N. S.,
October 30th, 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 was submitted from the Acting Judge of the County Court for District Number One, advising that the date had been fixed for the investigation into charges made against members of the City Council.

The matter has been referred to the City Solicitor's Department and this report is made to Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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BORROWING

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that the City Council authorize the borrowing from the Royal Bank of Canada of sums not to exceed \$300,000 in such amounts as may be from time to time necessary to maintain the current bank account in funds, was considered.

Your committee recommends that authority be granted to borrow the sums as indicated in the letter from the Commissioner of Finance under the provision of Schedule 332 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 13, 1945.

The Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:

Due to the substantial sums advanced under the several authorities of the Department of Municipal Affairs, from General Current Account to Capital Account, pending the issue of Debentures, the Current Bank Account may run into an overdraft position before the end of December 1945.

In order to meet this eventuality, I would suggest that City Council authorize the borrowing from the Royal Bank of Canada, of sums not to exceed \$300,000.00 in such amounts as may be from time to time necessary to maintain the Current Bank Account in funds.

This may be done under the authority of Section 332 of the City Charter, which permits the borrowing of amounts not to exceed 90% of the Taxes of the current year outstanding at the time.

On October 31, 1945, there was outstanding on 1945 Taxes; General Taxes of approximately \$390,000.00 and Poll Taxes of approximately \$41,000.00.

Yours very truly,

N. L. Sherman,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

November 15, 1945.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously all members of Council being present and voting therefor.

PURCHASING AGENT

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 City employing a Purchasing Agent was discussed and it was agreed to recommend to Council that consideration be given to the employing a Purchasing Agent.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he felt the large sums of money spent in the past should be put down in black and white to show where we should have saved \$25,000 or \$30,000 but didn't. "I would suggest that this go back to the Finance and Executive Committee."

Alderman Ahern suggested that the Provincial Government supply us with information from their purchasing department.

This matter was then referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee.

9.30 P. M. Ex-Mayor J. E. Lloyd, who was present in the Council Chamber, accepted an invitation of His Worship the Mayor, to take a seat on the rostrum.

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WARTIME HOUSING

Halifax, N. S.,
November 13/45.

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 respecting the matter of expropriating lands by Wartime Housing Limited was considered.

Your committee concurs in the recommendations of the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 13, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Finance and
Executive Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen: Re: Wartime Houses - Veterans Homes.

I have been notified by Wartime Housing Limited that they wish to expropriate the Bernard J. Vaughan property immediately and to commence work there. Mr. Vaughan has given Wartime Housing Limited permission to put their contractors on immediately and before the expropriation is completed. The question of compensation for the land taken is a matter which will have to be decided upon very shortly and the policy adopted in this case will probably have to be followed in any other properties which will be expropriated later. I would suggest that power be given to hire two real estate men, preferably Mr. M. S. Clarke and Mr. Gordon Gladwin, whose duties will be to see the various properties in their present state and to give the City a valuation of what the land is worth.

In the case of Vaughan, from the information on hand it appears that he has already sold lots to private individuals at the price of \$300.00 per lot, and he has offered the remainder to the City at the same price. In view of the fact that he has been getting the sum of \$300.00 per lot, I would respectfully recommend that your Committee recommend to Council that Wartime Housing Limited take this land and pay into Court a sum equal to the price of \$300.00 per lot.

It is also suggested that a recommendation be made to Council that the two above real estate men be engaged to appraise any further properties which may be expropriated at a later date.

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Incidentally, I wish to report that the deed to the City lots in Highland Park has been executed and that the contractors are at work there installing sewer and water and I am informed they will begin to lay the foundations for the houses next week.

I am also advised that Wartime Housing Limited will in all probability want to expropriate the Basse lots and St. Paul's Glebe lands next.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CHANGES T. B. HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
November 5/45.

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 matter of changes in connection with the work being executed under the contract for the construction of extensions to the Tuberculosis Hospital were considered.

Your committee recommends that the following change orders be approved.

Change Order No. 3, to carry out the work shown as items A, B, C, D and E on drawing No. 2B, at an additional cost of \$1,060.00.

Change Order No. 4 for the supplying and installing of 16 ounce copper in place of galvanized iron work specified or called for in the plans and specifications at an additional cost of \$1,398.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PROGRESS PAYMENTS T. B. HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
November 5/45.

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

Gentlemen:

November 15, 1945.

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date, progress payments in connection with the extension to the Tuberculosis Hospital were approved as follows:

The Foundation Maritime Ltd.	\$22,678.08
C. A. Fowler & Company	544.27

Funds for this purpose to be provided as authorized by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS BUTTER, EGGS, ETC.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 5/45.

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, tenders for supplying eggs, butter and vegetables to the Civic Institutions were submitted as follows:

EGGS

Swift Canadian Co. Ltd.
Period of one month 51cents per dozen.

R. B. Colwell Limited.
Period of one month 51½cents per dozen
Period of three months 49½cents per dozen.

BUTTER

Swift Canadian Co. Ltd.
Period of one month 38 cents per pound

R. B. Colwell Limited.
Period of one, three or six months 39 cents
per pound.

POTATOES

B. A. Blakeney Limited, Green Mountain \$1.44 per
bushel.
Davis & Fraser Limited, Green Mountain \$1.44 per
bushel.
No. 1 Bliss Triumph (Red) \$1.42 per
bushel.

TURNIPS

B. A. Blakeney 75 cents per bushel
Davis & Fraser Limited 75 cents per bushel.

Your Committee recommends that the following tenders

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be approved,

Swift Canadian Co. Ltd. EGGS 51cents per dozen for a period of one month,
Swift Canadian Co. Ltd. BUTTER 38cents per pound, period of one month,
B. A. Blakeney Limited, POTATOES Green Mountain at \$1.44 per bushel and TURNIPS at 75 cents per bushel.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE X-RAY TECHNICIAN

Halifax, N. S.,
November 5/45.

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 Commissioner of Health recommended that Miss Ruth MacKay, X-Ray Technician at the Tuberculosis Hospital be granted leave of absence for a period of two months in order that she may take instructions in X-Ray work at Kentville and Sydney and that she be granted the sum of \$100.00 to cover expenses in connection therewith in addition to her regular salary.

Your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

HOT WATER TANK CITY PRISON

Halifax, N. S.,
November 5/45.

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, Governor J. W. Grant of the City Prison reported that the hot water supply tank at the City Prison was leaking and it was necessary to replace same immediately and that after calling for tenders to supply and install a new tank, he had instruct-

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ed the Firm of F. W. McNally to do the work at a cost of \$235.00 this being the lowest tender received.

Your committee recommends that the Governor's action in this case be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

EXPENSE ACCOUNT COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH

Halifax, N. S.,
November 5/45.

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 Commissioner of Health reported that he had attended meetings of the Association of Medical Health Officers of Nova Scotia held at Kentville, N.S., October 9-10-11 and 12 1945 and submitted an expense account amounting to \$28.55.

Your committee recommends that the Commissioner of Health be reimbursed in the sum of \$28.55.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
November 5/45.

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, an account from Howards Limited, amounting to \$622.50 covering groceries supplied to the City Home was approved and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

FIRE ALARM CONNECTION J. & M. MURPHY LTD.

Halifax, N. S.,
November 8, 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 attached letter from the City Electrician respecting an application from J. & M. Murphy Limited for a fire alarm service connection at the Corner of Duke and Market Streets was considered.

Your committee concurs in the recommendation of the City Electrician.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 8th, 1945.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Safety Committee.

Sirs:-

In connection with the attached application from J & M Murphy Ltd for a fire alarm service connection at the Corner of Duke and Market Streets I recommend they be granted the same providing they replace the present city box No. 243 with a new one thus releasing this box to the City for service elsewhere.

It is to be understood that all expenses in connection with this service connection be paid by J & M Murphy and the installation satisfactory to the City Electrician. There will be no yearly service charge.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. Durling,
City Electrician.

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

TENDERS FOR REROOFING THREE FIRE STATIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
November 8, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:

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At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date tenders for re-roofing Mooris Street, Bedford Row and West Street Fire Stations were submitted from the following:

1. James Donohue Limited.....\$1,530.00
2. John Welcher..... 1,847.00
3. D. A. Cummings Limited..... 2,803.00
4. Scotia Roofing & Sheet Metal Limited... 2,975.00

Your committee recommends that the tender of James Donohue Limited at \$1,530.00 being the lowest, be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR SCRAP METAL

Halifax, N. S.,
November 8, 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 Acting Chief of the Fire Department submitted tenders as follows for the sale of bath tubs and scrap metal which is stored at the Bedford Row Fire Station:

Bath Tubs

H. Whitford.....	\$25.00	One Tub.
Richard & Wagner per C. Richards.....	30.00	Two Tubs.
George E. Zinck Ltd.....	20.00	Two Tubs.

Scrap Metal

Whitzman and Son

Hy. Brass.....	\$5.65	per 100 lbs.
Lt. Copper.....	8.45	" "
Copper with attachments.....	7.00	" "
Furnace & Stove Cast.....	10.00	per ton.
#2 Steel.....	6.00	" "

Garson's Scrap Yard

Mixed non ferrous metals.....	.04	per lb.
clean and unclean		
Scrap iron.....	8.00	per ton.

Your Committee recommends that the highest tender in each case be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 15, 1945.

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

RELEASE ACCIDENT TO PUMPER

Halifax, N. S.,
November 8, 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 report from the Acting Chief of the Fire Department submitting a cheque from the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited drawn to the order of the City of Halifax for the sum of \$13.00 covering accident damage to #5 Pumper on Quinpool Road on October 30, 1945, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the cheque be accepted and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to sign a release to the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDER FOR THE SALE OF THE 1940 FORD CAR

Halifax, N. S.,
November 8, 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 tenders for the sale of a 1940 Ford Sedan belonging to the Police Department were considered.

Your Committee recommends that the tender of Mr. Earl Goddard offering to pay the sum of \$230.00 for the car, which was the highest received, be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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FLOORS OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

Halifax, N. S.,
October 22, 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 report from the Chief of Police recommending that repairs be made to the floors in the Offices of the Police Department by the Maritime Tile Company at a cost of approximately \$300.00 was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
November 8, 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 accounts from the Northern Electric Company Limited totalling \$562.25 covering the supplying and installing of sound equipment in a Police Department Car was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the account be approved for payment and charged against the current estimates of the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

QUESTIONS

Alderman Ahern asked His Worship the Mayor if the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co., Ltd., were going to improve their transportation system as he saw in a mag-

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azine that Chicago is making plans for the improvement of their transportation system.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had no information on this

REPORT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL RE LAND
QUINPOOL ROAD

Halifax, N. S.,
October 25/45.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of a Committee of the Whole Council held on the above date, letters from the Eastern Trust Co., and Mr. Nathan Green respecting the sale of a piece of land on the east side of Quinpool Road immediately north of St. Agnes' Hall were considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the land be advertised for sale, full particulars as to the dimensions of the land, the fact that a sewer runs through same, and it is necessary that the City obtain Legislation enabling it to sell the land, to be stated in the advertisement.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PETITION MARLBOROUGH WOODS

November 12th, 1945.

PETITIONS MARLBOROUGH WOODS

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 29th 1945, considered a petition submitted by a number of taxpayers from Marlborough Woods, requesting that the name of the street known as Marlborough Avenue be changed.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on November 6th 1945, a counter petition was received from a number of rate-payers requesting that the names now used remain.

It was moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by

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Alderman Moriarty, that the names now in use remain, and that this motion be recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.
Per J. B. Sabeau.

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

STREET LIGHTING BLINK BONNIE TERRACE

November 9, 1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6, 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated October 24th, 1945, entitled "Street Lighting Blink Bonnie Terrace" recommending that one light be installed at an approximate cost of \$50.00 was considered.

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern the said report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.
Per J. B. Sabeau.

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

STREET LIGHTING PRESCOTT STREET

November 10, 1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6th., 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 6th, entitled as above, recommending that three 250 C. P. lights be installed on Prescott Street at an approximate cost of \$148.00 was considered.

On motion of Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alder-

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man Moriarty, the report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean.

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

STREET LIGHTING KEMPT ROAD

November 9th, 1945.

STREET LIGHTING - KEMPT ROAD BETWEEN YOUNG STREET
AND THE FIRST RAILWAY BRIDGE

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6th, 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 6th 1945, entitled as above, recommending that three additional lights be installed on Kempt Road, between Young Street and the Railway Bridge, at an approximate cost of \$150.00, was approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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

FINAL CERTIFICATE J. J. HINES & CO.

November 9th, 1945.

BOILER CITY HALL

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6th 1945, the attached certificate of the Commissioner of Works recommending payment to J. J. Hines & Co., of the sum of ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY-THREE DOLLARS (\$1,123.00) being the amount in full on their contract for installing a new steam boiler at the City Hall, was considered.

The said certificate was approved and recommended to the City Council for payment.

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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

FINAL CERTIFICATE A. MURRAY AND COMPANY LIMITED

November 10th, 1945.

TARVIA PRODUCTS

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6th, 1945, the attached final certificate of the Commissioner of Works recommending payment to Alexander Murray & Company Limited, of the sum of TWO THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND EIGHTY-TWO DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-TWO CENTS (\$2,682.72) being the amount in full on their contract for the supply of Tarvia Products for the year 1945, was approved and recommended to Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$500.00

November 10th. 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 6th. 1945, approved and recommended to Council for payment the attached invoice totalling \$4,650.31, of the Standard Paving Maritime Limited.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean
Asst. Clerk of Works.

November 15, 1945.

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$500.00

November 10, 1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 6th., 1945, approved and recommended to Council for payment the attached invoices of the Public Service Commission amounting to \$731.26.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Assistant Clerk of Works.

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

SEWER AND WATER CONNECTION LEEDS STREET

November 12, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6th 1945, reports were read from the Commissioner of Works regarding an application of Mr. Aubrey Brown, #3 Leeds Street, for the installation of sewer and water to serve his premises.

The estimated cost is approximately \$250.00.

The Public Health and Welfare Committee have also recommended that a toilet and sink be installed in the premises by the City, the cost of which is to be paid by the owner, at an approximate additional cost of \$175.00.

Under Section 886 of the Public Health Regulations, the City could do this work and would have a lien on the property for the amount of the cost.

The Committee recommended to the City Council that this be done.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman

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DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR MECHANICAL EQUIPMENT

November 10th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6th 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 6th 1945, entitled as above, was considered and on Motion of Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Moriarty, approved and recommended to Council for adoption, and the Commissioner of Works was instructed to call for tenders for the equipment required.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.
Per J. B. Sabean
Asst. Clerk of Works.

November 6th, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

In 1944 and 1945 permission for the borrowing of an amount for Mechanical Equipment was secured from the Local House and from the Department of Municipal Affairs.

A number of pieces of equipment, including snow plows, tractors, bulldozer, graders etc., have been purchased. According to our proposals, we have yet to purchase a number of smaller pieces of equipment, also a street flusher and gasoline or diesel powered roller.

It is recommended that we receive quotations on the necessary pieces of equipment required.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

ILLUMINATED OVERHANGING SIGNS

November 9th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 29th 1945, recommended to the City Council that the leases referred to in the following attached reports of the Commissioner of Works on applications for overhanging signs

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be granted:-

Report dated and entitled:

October 18th 1945	- Illuminated Sign	12½	Gottingen St.
" "	" "	" 11-13	" "
" "	" "	" 64	" "
" 26th	" "	" 1037	Barrington "
" 29th	" "	" 69	Brunswick "

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
 CITY CLERK.
 Per J. B. Sabean
 Asst. Clerk of Works.

November 9th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 6th 1945, recommended to the City Council that the leases referred to in the following attached reports of the Commissioner of Works on applications for overhanging signs be granted:-

Report dated and entitled:

October 30th 1945	- #16½	Hollis St.
" "	70	Argyle St.
" "	228	" "
" "	30	Bedford Row
" "	432	Barrington St.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
 CITY CLERK.
 Per J. B. Sabean
 Asst. Clerk of Works.

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

LEASE CITY ABATTOIR

November 10th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 6th 1945, the attached letter from Marden Wind of Canada Limited, was read, in regard to the leasing of the City Abattoir.

The Committee recommended that the letter be sent to the City Council for approval with a six months termination clause to apply after the removal of the City Prison or the colored settlement at Africville, whichever occurred first, and if the Council agrees to the above, the matter

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should be referred back to the Committee of Works for the fixation of rent.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk
Per J. B. Sabean
Asst. Clerk of Works.

Somerville Station 43
Boston, Mass. October 29, 1945.

Hon. Allan Butler, Mayor of Halifax
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mayor Butler:

After attending the meeting of the Council last week relative to renewal of our lease of the city abattoir I have carefully considered the objections that were raised. It seems to me that the principal objection was that this might interfere with the recommendations of the Planning Board. I am sure our company would not want to stand in the way of any project that was a permanent benefit to the city, and I will suggest that this objection might be overcome by our agreeing to a lease of five years with a clause of termination six months after the removal of the penitentiary and the colored settlement, which would certainly have to be removed before that section was developed for a residential area.

Another objection brought up was the question of odors from our plant. I believe that the one product that might have caused this objection would be a wartime material of which we were the only manufacturers in Canada, and which was required for the production of leather for army shoes. It was necessary for us to speed up this production to supply the demand and we had not the opportunity to acquire the necessary equipment to properly take care of these odors. I believe in the future there will be slight demand for this material, and if the demand does still exist we will take steps to correct the situation. May I also point out that during the 12 years we have operated in this plant we have never had a formal complaint of this condition.

The other comment that came to my attention was the low rental and the fact that our process did not require a large number of employees. This is possibly the case with our permanent staff, but in certain seasons of the year we have always required temporary labor and I believe consideration should be given to the expense items of our company that indirectly employ labor. I believe you will find, for instance, that our freight account with the railroads is regarded as a fairly substantial account. With regard to the rental, consideration should be given to the fact that we took over a derelict building that had stood idle since 1917. We furnished a new roof for the building. I believe the cost was \$1400.00.

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In our original lease I believe there was a clause that all items, such as elevators, that were installed in the building were to be considered part of the building and the city's property. I would venture to say that in the past 12 years improvements to the building have far exceeded the rental which we paid the city, but still this need not be an item to prevent our considering any reasonable increase in rent at this time. What we require mostly is more definite assurance that we may continue to carry on for another five years subject to the above mentioned conditions.

I will very much appreciate your advising me if there are any other items that I have overlooked and I will do my best to meet the conditions as we want to be looked upon as a desirable industry in your city.

Respectfully submitted,

MARDEN-WILD OF CANADA, LIMITED

per Preston F. Wild,
President.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman De-Wolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

OFFICIAL CITY PLAN

November 9th, 1945.

OFFICIAL CITY PLAN - SECTION 21A

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

A section of the Official City Plan No. 21A has been prepared for the portion of the City comprised within the following boundaries:-

INGLIS STREET / ROBIE STREET / CANADIAN
NATIONAL RAILWAYS RIGHT-OF-WAY / BELLEVUE
STREET.

This section of the City includes the proposed layout of the Beaumont Subdivision, and it is necessary that the official street lines be confirmed by the Halifax City Council.

Public Notice of their completion has been advertised in the local papers for at least four (4) weeks previous to the 15th of November 1945, on which date the public were notified that a meeting of Council would be held to confirm the said plan.

It is recommended that the Council now confirm the said plan, viz., 21A, by adopting the attached Resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.

November 15, 1945.

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

Alderman DeWolf stated that there was some difficulty with the plan and this matter should be referred back to the Committee on Works.

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works. Amendment passed.

C. N. R. TAXATION CASE

November 14, 1945.

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

Gentlemen: Re: C.N.R. Taxation.

In view of the amount of time which has been consumed in preparations for the above case it has occurred to me that a progress report could very well be submitted to you.

Because of the nature of the action and the legal complications involved it has been necessary to make an extremely close and intimate study of the operations of the Canadian National Railway Company, which involved a study of its methods of accounting, purchasing, employment of staff, its relations with the Dominion Government, and the various integral units making up what is now known as the Canadian National Railway system.

In addition to the study of the factual elements it has also been necessary to make a very complete investigation into the state of the law, which involves many decisions of many Courts on Constitutional matters. This alone has consumed a great deal of time.

In order that the Court to which the matter will eventually go will be in a position to properly render a decision, it has been necessary to establish certain facts. There are two ways of establishing facts for the Court. One is by agreement between both sides and the other by taking evidence under oath and submitting the evidence, thus enabling the Court to come to the conclusion on facts. In the present case the latter method would consume a tremendous amount of time and would result in a record so bulky and complicated that it would be most difficult for the Court to establish the salient facts. Therefore we have endeavoured to proceed as far as possible by agreement.

This was done first by enquiry by Mr. J. F. H. Teed, K.C., Solicitor for the City of Saint John in this matter, and myself, wherein we asked for certain

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information and the production of certain documents from the Railway and which, under a working agreement which we had previously made with the Railway solicitors, they produced. This necessitated attending at the offices of the Railway Company where this information was kept and where the various officials having special knowledge were located. Having acquired a substantial quantity of this information, Mr. Teed and I proceeded to set the same out in a tentative draft of facts which we worked out in collaboration at conferences held in Halifax and Saint John. We then proceeded to lay these facts before the railway solicitors in an endeavour to secure their agreement.

This is where the matter now stands and we are awaiting their decision on this matter. I believe that it is necessary on the part of the solicitors for the Crown and the Railway that these facts be submitted to the Department of Justice at Ottawa before any agreement can be made to bind the Crown. It may be that there are some facts which we have alleged in this draft which the other side will not agree to. In this case it will be necessary to take evidence from the proper officials and include it in our case to be submitted to the Court for the Court to interpret.

We had hoped to have the matter in the Courts this month but it has been so involved that I am afraid that, with the necessary delays, the case may not be ready for submission to the Court until late in December or early in January. However the matter is well in hand and I would expect before very long to see it on its way through the Courts.

I have considered it necessary, in view of the substantial stake which the City has in the successful outcome of this case, namely approximately \$250,000.00 a year of new revenue, that it is better to be certain even though more time is taken up.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune
CITY SOLICITOR.

FILED

DISBANDING H. C. E. C.

October 26, 1945.

Members of the City Council,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Aldermen:

On October 31 the resignation of Major O. R. Crowell became effective, and on the same date the Halifax Civil Emergency Committee finalized its long and earnest efforts to organize necessary safeguards to meet certain emergencies which World War II might have brought to this vulnerable city. In forwarding this information, I have in mind placing on the record appreciation to Major Crowell for his services, and, as well, to the members of the executive of our many activities, and further, to go right down to every single

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person who served with steadfastness, and who willingly accepted responsibilities in this great effort.

To Major Crowell particularly would I express what I hope will be regarded as a tribute from the members of the City Council. He was indefatigable throughout, and his efforts were at all times concerned with strengthening the organization, and bringing it to the point of perfection it reached. The evidence of this was well exemplified in the days following the riots in May, and more particularly after the explosions at the Bedford Magazine.

The members of the executive committee, Messrs. A. M. MacKay, A. W. Duffus, R. J. Rankin, A. H. Minshull, W. E. Donovan, Ira P. MacNab, Aldermen T. H. Coffin and J. G. DeWolf, all of whom were busy men, gave readily of their time to mould the general plan and decide important questions, and these persons should feel that the City Council is well aware of their contribution to a fine civic cause and that the Council's thanks should go to them at this time.

I have indicated our pleasure in thanking the leaders and other workers in an organization which ran in number to over 5,000. Later a more appropriate occasion will be found to issue certificates acknowledging their individual contributions, but in the meantime I think it proper that our minutes should record our grateful thanks to all who served throughout a time which was never free from danger, and on the occasions I have mentioned, brought its stern reality to our very homes.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Butler,
MAYOR

FILED

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

November 14, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Master Plan for the City of Halifax is nearing completion and I wish to request a special meeting of Council on November 22, 1945 or as soon after as convenient in order that the Plan may be presented.

Yours very truly,

Ira P. Macnab,
CHAIRMAN.

APPROVED AND FILED

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LETTER PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION RE REQUEST OF
COUNCIL

Halifax, N. S.,
311 Roy Building,
October 22nd, 1945.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S..

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of September 18th, regarding employees of this Commission, your request was considered at a meeting held on Friday, October 12th, and it was felt that the members of this Commission have the confidence of the City Council, otherwise they would not have been appointed.

It must be emphasized that our operations come under the supervision of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities, who would certainly interfere if they were not satisfied with our conduct of the affairs of this Department.

There are, naturally, a number of matters which a Commission of this sort should treat as confidential, and which we consider, in doing so, that we are serving the best interests of the public. On this account we have been given information by certain people in Halifax, because they realized it would be treated as strictly confidential.

We feel that this matter of salaries and staff is one of management. It is our duty to see that the proper staff is engaged, and that they give full value for the salaries paid. We, therefore, do not feel that any good purpose can be served by disclosing this information.

We consider it essential that nothing be done to disturb the good relationship which now prevails between the employees and the Commission, and trust that for this reason the viewpoint of the Commission, in this matter, will be appreciated by the members of the Council.

Very truly yours,
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION,

H. W. L. Doane,
MANAGER.

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Alderman Burgess speaking in regard to the request he made for the list of employees, their classification and service, of the Public Service Commission, stated that he didn't think he was asking too much. "The tax payers ask me if there are 10 or 11 engineers employed with them and I can't answer them".

Alderman Coffin stated that he thought the Commission would be glad to give Alderman Burgess that information.

Alderman Burgess gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he would move a resolution asking for the salaries and classification of the employees of the Public Service Commission.

LETTERS DEPARTMENT MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS RE
APPROVAL OF BORROWINGS

Halifax, N. S.,
October 13, 1945.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

In reply to yours of the 10th some days ago I indicated Mr. Bethune, K. C., that the proposed borrowing of \$242,272.35 for the purpose of defraying the cost of the installation of additional trunk mains and the enlarging of existing mains to improve the water system of the north and east sections of the City had been approved.

It is accordingly in order for the City to issue debentures for this purpose in so far as this Department is concerned.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Beazley,
Municipal Commissioner.

October 26, 1945.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

I enclose for your records copy of resolution

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respecting the borrowing of a sum not exceeding \$2,750.00 for the purpose of purchasing land required for school purposes on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Beazley,
Municipal Commissioner.

October 26, 1945.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

I enclose herein copy of resolution respecting the borrowing of a sum not exceeding \$1,500.00 for the purpose of purchasing a truck for the fire alarm service on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Beazley,
Municipal Commissioner.

FILED

APPROPRIATIONS

REPORT OF APPROPRIATIONS
AS AT OCTOBER 31, 1945.

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

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

APPROPRIATIONS	FREE BALANCE
City Home Salaries & Maintenance	\$ 22,091.99
Fleming Park Salaries & Maintenance	1,195.39
Public Gardens Salaries & Maintenance	5,708.01
Library Salaries & Maintenance	1,178.89
T. B. Hospital Salaries & Maintenance	18,052.26
Inf. Disease Hospital Salaries & Maintenance	12,661.61
Public Health & Welfare Salaries & Maintenance	7,232.09
Co. Operative Health Salaries & Maintenance	19,255.14
Police Department Salaries & Maintenance	44,353.10
City Prison Salaries & Maintenance	7,599.10
Works Department Salaries & Maintenance	47,415.51
Fire Department Salaries & Maintenance	60,344.32
Fire Alarm Salaries & Maintenance	3,046.84
Printing & Stationery	2,144.31

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,
Chief Accountant.

FILED

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF OCTOBER 1945

Civic Year	Reserves	O/S Bal. Sept. 30 1945.	New Accounts and Adjust- ments.	October Collect- ions.	O/S Balance October 31, 1945.
1944-45	\$12,961.14	\$155,284.77	Dr. .25	\$ 8,315.15	\$ 146,969.87
1945	44,201.08	457,843.69	Dr. 103.22	65,843.15	392,103.76
		\$613,128.46	Dr. 103.47	\$ 74,158.30	\$ 539,073.63

Roll Taxes

1944	28,392.09		451.11	27,940.98
1944-45	16,083.05	Dr. 19.00	982.62	15,119.43
1945	46,730.26	Dr. 13.00	5,162.70	41,580.56

	1945	1944
Additional Collections		
Tax Arrears 1925-26 to 1943-44	8,197.00	4,925.58
Corresponding Period last year		
Collections as per statement above	74,158.30	76,746.99
Corresponding Period last year		
Tax Collections for month	82,355.30	81,672.57
Collection Poll Tax Jan. 1/45 to Oct. 31/45	48,223.85	43,316.46
Corresponding Period last year		

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,
Chief Accountant.

FILED

November 15, 1945.

MOTION ALDERMAN WALKER TIME CLOCK

October 19/1945.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Batson that a time book be inserted in the City Hall under the jurisdiction of His Worship the Mayor and that a man be appointed from the Commissioners to see that every one in the City Hall is on time and that this be kept as a record.

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, that the book or time check should be made by the Department Heads on the employees and not a Commissionaire, and that the delinquents be reported.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

Alderman Coffin stated that there was a report presented to us at the Finance and Executive Committee which stated that the Heads of Departments would be responsible.

His Worship the Mayor stated that there is a report before the Finance and Executive Committee and asked the Council if it would be agreeable to defer any further action until it received a report from the Finance and Executive Committee.

This procedure was agreed to by Council.

A true extract,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

DEFERRED

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

Meeting adjourned.

9.50 P. M.

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A. M. Butler,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY
DECEMBER 13, 1945

A G E N D A

1. Alderman Burgess re Employees etc. Public Service Commission.

2. Fin. & Exec. Comm. re Account over \$200.00.

" Sale of Land.

" Auctioneer's License.

" Closing Collectors Office Jan 2 & 3.

" Report Judge Robertson - Investigation.

" Report Independent Auditors Year Ending
April 30, 1944.

" Salary Secretary & Supervisor Wartime Housing
Committee.

" Borrowing for Punch Register.

" Boxing Day.

" Civic Employees Offering as Candidates in
Provincial and Federal Elections.

" Purchase Fire Alarm Boxes.

" Engaging Architect for School buildings.

" Water Extensions Veterans' Housing.

" Sites for Veterans' Houses.

" Emergency Shelters.

" Street Widening.

" Request late R. J. McAdam.

3. His Worship the Mayor re Veto Appointment Fire Chief.

4. Public Health & Welfare Committee re Account over \$200.00.

" Account Maintenance C. M.
Welsford.

" Lenders butter, eggs & Meat.

" Lighting kitchen etc., City
Home.

" Female Employees.

5. Safety Committee re Account for Truck Fire Alarm Department.

" Disposal of old Truck Fire Alarm Department.

" Account for Flooring Police Department.

6. Committee on Works re Salary Scale Instrument Man.

" Heating System Town Clock.

" City Field Shop and Offices.

" Street Lighting Cambridge St. etc.

" Change of Street Name.

" Lease Water Shed Lands.

" Expropriation Land Big Indian Lake.

" Skinning Subdivision.

" Illuminated Signs.

" Encroachment Fort Needham (Army Barracks).

" Fire Protection Charges Dominion.

" Lenders for Land Quinpool Road.

" Accounts over \$500.00.

" Final Certificates.

7. Finance re Planning Wartime Houses.

8. Public Borrowing School Board.

9. Borrowings Department Municipal Affairs.

10. Solicitor Conference National Institute Municipal Law Officers.

11. Accountant re Tax Collections Month of November.

" Appropriations.

Adjourn

12. Alderman Walker re Tite Clock.

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
December 13, 1945,
8.00 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 Deputy Mayor Chairman; Aldermen Batson, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Coffin, Adams, DeWolf, McDonald, Doyle, Walker and Burgess.

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 Batson that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN BURGESS RE EMPLOYEES ETC.
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Alderman Burgess stated that he had received a partial list from the Commission but that he would like to have a complete one of the employees and salaries.

Alderman Coffin: "We had a meeting of the Commission on last Monday when the matter was discussed. If there is any lack of faith in this Commission, I would suggest that another representative be appointed besides myself. They do not consider that salaries should be tabled and publicized at Council meetings. They are quite prepared to give you any information. I think you Your Worship should have been there Monday."

His Worship the Deputy Mayor: "Alderman Burgess made a request because they were handling public funds. He only wanted a list regarding the employees."

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Alderman Coffin: "I understood that it was the Engineering personnel you were interested in."

Alderman Burgess: "This is not for publicity."

Alderman Coffin: "I can get it through the Commission anytime he wants it."

Alderman Burgess agreed to this and withdrew the request.

ACCOUNTS

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

RESOLVED that this Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Finance and Executive Committee amounting to \$18,126.17; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$2,709.39 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$16,137.63 chargeable to Fire Department; \$20,476.92 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting to \$15,389.34 chargeable to Health Department; \$15,563.46 chargeable to City Home and \$3,401.79 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$22,194.52; the Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$541.21 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

December 11, 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 H. R. Doane and Company amounting to \$1,600.00 being the

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balance for professional services rendered in auditing the books and records of the City of Halifax for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1944, was submitted.

Your committee recommends that the account be approved for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

His Worship the Deputy Mayor stated that Mr. J. A. Walker, K. C., was present and wished to address Council on the matter of the sale of land on Quinpool Road and asked if it were the wish of Council that he be heard. After receiving the consent of Council, Mr. Walker spoke as follows:

"Your Worship and Gentlemen. The Kiwanis Club purchased the property known as St. Agnes Hall for the purpose of providing a recreation centre. The place is used by the Army and we cannot get immediate possession as our building is right on the line and if the property to be sold tonight passes into private hands there will be no way of us getting an extra piece of land for a driveway. We wrote a letter to the Engineer asking for the privilege of purchasing 10 feet of the land in question.

I understood that the tender was so worded that it excluded 10 feet situated at the North of our property."

Alderman McDonald: "Is it true that the 10 feet is not going to be sold?"

Mr. MacKinnon: "The City will have the right to retain 10 feet and that is the way we were to advertise it."

Alderman DeWolf: "This ten feet is to give them the right of way to the North of their property. If the letter

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from Mr. Green were read I think it may cover the situation."

The report of the Committee on Works and letter from Mr. Green were then read.

December 10th, 1945.

TENDERS - LAND QUINPOOL ROAD

The City Council,

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 7th 1945, His Worship the Mayor opened tenders for a lot of land on the eastern side of Quinpool Road situated between what has been known as St. Agnes' Hall and the Armdale Post Office, having a frontage of 125 feet.

On Motion of Aldermen Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Walker, it was agreed that the highest tender of \$4,000.00 received from Mr. Nathan Green be accepted, subject to legislation, and recommended same to the City Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sebean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

November 3rd, 1945.

R. M. McKinnon, Esq.,
Commissioner of Works,
City Hall,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:-

On behalf of an undisclosed client, I herewith tender the sum of FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$4000.00) payable in lawful money of the Dominion of Canada, for the lot of land on the eastern side of Quinpool Road situated between what has been known as St. Agnes' Hall and Armdale P. O. having a frontage of 125 feet, a depth on the south side of 115 feet and a depth on the north side of 140 feet, the back line to be a distance between the two points as measured back from Quinpool Road.

This tender takes into consideration and is payable whether or not the city reserves a strip of land ten feet in width along the southern boundary of the property.

This tender is being submitted in answer to your advertisement in the Halifax Daily Star in November 1945.

Yours very truly,

N. Green.

Alderman Hosterman: "Have the Kiwanis Club submitted

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a tender for this 10 feet of land?"

His Worship the Deputy Mayor: "I don't think so."

Alderman Batson wanted to know if this ten feet interfered with any sewer to which the Commissioner of Works replied in the negative.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Batson that the report of the Committee on Works be adopted and the land having a frontage of approximately 125 feet less a strip of 10 feet wide off the Southern side be sold at a price of \$4,000.00. Motion passed.

SALE OF LAND

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee as follows:

December 11, 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 was submitted from Mr. Delmar F. Gower offering to pay the sum of \$800.00 for a lot of land on the N/S North Street 66 x 100.

Your Committee recommends that the tender be approved and the land sold to Mr. Gower with the understanding that he pay the sum of \$800.00 to the City Collector within a period of 30 days.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hostrerman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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AUCTIONEER'S LICENSE

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee
as follows:

December 11, 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 application from
Mr. A. S. Forrestall for an Auctioneer's License was
considered.

Your Committee recommends that the appli-
cation be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman
Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CLOSING COLLECTOR'S OFFICE JANUARY 2 & 3, 1946.

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee
as follows:

December 11, 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 the
Commissioner of Finance requesting permission to close
the City Collector's Office to the general public on
January 2 and 3, 1946 for the purpose of balancing
the tax ledgers as of the close of business December
31, 1945, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that permission
be granted to close the City Collector's Office on
the dates mentioned.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman
Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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REPORT JUDGE ROBERTSON - INVESTIGATION

December 3, 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 was submitted from His Honour Judge J. G. A. Robertson covering his investigation into statements made by Mr. J. K. Bell re Housing Situation.

Your committee recommends that the report be filed and the account which accompanied same amounting to \$13.80 covering fees of the Court Reporter be approved for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Batson that this matter be referred to the next regular meeting of the City Council. Motion passed.

REPORT INDEPENDENT AUDITORS YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1944.

December 3, 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 H. R. Doane and Company submitting two copies of the financial statements and Audit Report of the City of Halifax for the year ending April 30, 1944, was read and same is forwarded to Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman McDonald that the report be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

SALARY SECRETARY & SUPERVISOR WARTIME HOUSING
COMMITTEE.

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee
as follows:

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December 3, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting on the above date considered the matter of making provision in the salary scale for the classification of Secretary and Supervisor War-time Housing Committee, which was deferred from the last regular meeting of the City Council.

Your committee again recommends that provision be made in the salary scale for this classification at a flat salary of \$2,000.00 per annum.

At this meeting the matter of Mr. Mielke's status was thoroughly discussed and after hearing Mr. H. P. MacKeen, K. C., and the reading of a letter from the Management Committee of Wartime Housing Houses, it was decided to advise Council for its information that the appointment of a Secretary and Supervisor Wartime Housing Committee does not in any way affect Mr. Mielke's seniority or jeopardize his position.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hoosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved.

Read letter from the Halifax District Trades and Labour Council as follows:

December 13, 1945.

The Mayor & Members of
City Council
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:

At the regular monthly meeting of the Halifax District Trade & Labour Council, held Wednesday December 12th 1945. Representations were made on behalf of Civic Employees Federated Union #143 regarding the closed manner in which the recent appointment of Mr. James L. Connolly to a civic position was made.

A copy of the letter that was sent to the Mayor and each member of the Council was read at our meeting. It was decided to endorse the action of the Federated Union of Civic Employees, in their efforts to get justice for their members, and to create the best of relations with the Mayor & Members of Council.

The contention of the Federated Union is that City Council should defer action on the appointment of

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Mr. Connolly and the setting of the \$2000.00 dollar salary until such time as other civic employees are given the opportunity to make application for this or any other position within the City Hall. Organized Labor strongly supports this contention, made by the Federated Union and we firmly believe that if this policy is carried out in the future that it will benefit all concerned.

Trusting that you will give this matter the consideration we believe it deserves, on behalf of the Halifax District Trade & Labour Council, I remain,

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Cody,
General Secretary.

Alderman Hosterman: "The matter was thoroughly discussed at the Finance and Executive Committee and the conclusion arrived at was satisfactory to Mr. MacKeen.

The motion was then put and passed unanimously.

BORROWING FOR PUNCH REGISTER

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee as follows:

December 3, 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 was submitted from the City Solicitor advising that a resolution passed at a meeting of the City Council held on November 15/1945, respecting the borrowing of a sum of money through the Department of Municipal Affairs for the purpose of purchasing a Punch Register and Take-Up Reel is not necessary as funds have already been provided for this purpose.

Your committee therefore recommends that the resolution referred to above, be rescinded and the funds required for the purchase of the Punch Register and Take-Up Reel provided as authorized by legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved.

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
Coffin
Adams
DeWolf
McDonald
Doyle
Walker
Burgess

BOXING DAY

Read report from the Finance and Executive Committee
as follows:

December 5, 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 was submitted from His Worship the Mayor respecting the matter of proclaiming the day after Christmas, known in England as Boxing Day, as a Civic Holiday.

Your Committee recommends that December 26/1945 be proclaimed a civic holiday and citizens requested to observe same as such.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CIVIC EMPLOYEES OFFERING AS CANDIDATES IN PROVINCIAL
& FEDERAL ELECTIONS

December 5, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached letter from His Worship the Mayor respecting the matter of participation by civic officials and employees as candidates in Dominion and Provincial election contests was read at a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date and same was referred to Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 13, 1945.

Moved by Alderman Coffin, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that this matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of the City Council. Motion passed.

PURCHASE FIRE ALARM BOXES

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee as follows:

December 11, 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 approving of recommendations of the City Electrician respecting the purchase and installing of Fire Alarm Signal Boxes to the value of \$2,916.65 was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 5/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the attached report from the City Electrician respecting the purchase and installation of Fire Alarm Signal Boxes was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 5th, 1945.

To the Chairman and Members
of the Safety Committee.

Sirs:-

The City Council on June 14th, 1945 approved of seeking permission to borrow \$12,000.00 to defray the cost of purchasing and installing fire alarm signal boxes. This was approved by the Dept. of Municipal Affairs as of June 19th, 1945 according to the City Clerk.

A survey made by me indicates public fire alarm facilities are lacking in a considerable number of areas.

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Also four digit breakwheels should be installed over the whole fire alarm system in order to make future expansions, arrange for proper sequence of numbers, zones and districts. This was approved by Council on June 14th, 1945 and is a part of the installation of additional fire alarm signal boxes.

I believe it will be in order from time to time to recommend installations of additional fire alarm signal boxes but for the present I am recommending as follows:

Purchase and installation of ten Northern Electric Gamewell Boxes for the following purposes:

- 3 for replacements of oldest type.
- 3 " city wartime housing areas.
- 4 " additions in high value district.

I estimate the cost for the above installed approximately.....\$ 2075.00

Installation of four digit breakwheels over the system, approximately..... 841.65

Total.....\$ 2916.65

I recommend the equipment and material required and estimated to cost approximately \$2916.65 be purchased from the Northern Electric Company and the same be paid from funds borrowed under authority for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

G. H. Durling,
City Electrician.

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

ENGAGING ARCHITECT FOR SCHOOL BUILDINGS

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee as follows:

December 11, 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 the Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of School Commissioners requesting permission to enter into a contract with C.A. Fowler and Company for the preparation of plans, specifications, etc., for the erection of school buildings, was considered.

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Your Committee recommends that the permission requested be granted in accordance with C. A. Fowler and Company's letter under date of November 27, 1945 with the understanding that if the buildings are not proceeded with there will be no charge for supplying plans and specifications.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 27, 1945.

Colonel G. S. Kinley,
Chairman,
Board of School Commissioners,
HALIFAX, N. S.

Dear Sir:

In confirmation of our conversation with you this morning, in reference to your proposed School Building Program.

We are prepared to enter into a contract with the Board of School Commissioners for the preparation of all plans outlined in your Committee Report, on the following basis:-

We will prepare the Plans, Specifications and details ready for tendering and call for tenders when so instructed by the Board. Our fees to be the regular charges approved by the Nova Scotia Association of Architects, made payable at the time the building is constructed, namely 3.6% on the award of a contract, and the balance of 2.4% as the building progresses.

In other words the Board would be faced with no capital outlay until the contract for a building was let, at which time our fees would of course be included as part of the cost of the building.

If the foregoing meets with approval, we would expect the order from the Board to specify the sequence in which the plans are to be prepared.

Yours sincerely,

C. A. Fowler & Company,

(Sgd.) C. A. Fowler.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved.

Alderman Walker: "I was on the School Board and I understood that the Engineer was going to draw up plans and specifications himself."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Walker that this matter be referred back to the School Board for further consider-

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ation.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

Alderman DeWolf: "It was suggested that Mr. Downie draw plans for Richmond School but there was so much work in his Department that he could not get underway. The Board thought it better to take advantage of this opportunity and if the work is not proceeded with there will be no cash to be paid.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Adams
Batson
Burgess
Coffin
DeWolf
Doyle
Hosterman
McDonold
Moriarty

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Walker

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WATER EXTENSIONS VETERANS HOUSES

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee as follows:

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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 respecting the matter of financing the furnishing of water to veteran's houses being constructed by Wartime Housing Limited, was considered.

Your committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That the Public Service Commission be advised that the City requires these extensions to be made.
2. That the entire costs of the extensions be paid by the City and the matter adjusted later when the Public Service Commission purchases the assets of the Water Department.

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3. That authorization be granted to apply to the Department of Municipal Affairs for the borrowing of the sum required for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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To His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee

Under the agreement with the Wartime Housing the City is obliged to furnish water and other services. The question has now arisen as to the method of financing these water extensions. Work has already commenced on the Vanman subdivision and in the future extensive extensions will have to be made on the St. Paul Glebe lands. The total cost of these extensions are estimated to be in the vicinity of \$100,000.00. In the case of extensions running past privately owned properties the City has agreed to meet the deficit where the extensions are not self supporting despite a 25 cent footage charge. The Public Service Commission who will probably be installing these extensions are requesting that they receive official notice from the City that the City requires these extensions to be made and information as to how they are to be paid for., that is - (a) Shall the capital expenditures be made by the Commission with the deficits made up by the City or (b) entire amount be paid by the City and adjustment be made later when the Commission purchases the assets.

I would respectfully suggest that the second method be adopted and that a recommendation to this effect be sent to Council by your committee. Authorization should also be secured from Council to apply to the Dept. of Municipal Affairs to borrow the necessary amount. I am informed that a survey of the Glebe property is now in progress and should be completed by the middle of January which will be sufficient time to enable the Commission to form an estimate of the cost and order the necessary materials.

Yours respectfully,

T. C. Doyle,
for City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin 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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SITES FOR VETERANS HOUSES

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee
as follows:

December 11, 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 letter from the City Solicitor respecting the purchase of two lots from The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation in Highland Park required for sites for Veterans Houses was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the letter be approved and Wartime Housing Limited requested to expropriate these two lots and pay into Court the sum of \$400.00 as compensation therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Finance and
Executive Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:- Re: Wartime Houses - Veterans Homes.

The Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation has offered two lots in Highland Park for sites for Veterans Houses. These two lots are next to the lots which the City has already conveyed to the Wartime Housing. The total price asked for these two lots is a sum of \$400.00. The Wartime Housing Limited are desirous of acquiring these lots and would like a request from the City that they be expropriated for housing purposes. I conferred with the City Assessor and find that the lots are assessed for a total of \$300.00. He also informs me that the City has been selling lots in this vicinity for \$250.00 and \$300.00 each. Therefore, seeing that the sum of \$400.00 for both lots is a very reasonable offer, I would ask your committee to recommend that these lots be expropriated. I, therefore, suggest that a resolution be sent to Council requesting the Wartime Housing Limited to expropriate these two lots and to pay into Court the sum of \$400.00 as compensation therefore.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR.

Per...T..C..Doyle.....

Moved by Alderman Hoosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed unani-

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mously, the Aldermen listed as being present at this meeting were in their seats and voted.

EMERGENCY SHELTERS

Read report of the Finance and Executive Committee as follows:

Dec. 11/1945.

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 and letter from the City Solicitor regarding the matter of temporary housing were considered.

Your committee recommends that the report of the Committee on Works be approved and the matter proceeded with in the manner suggested by the City Solicitor with the proviso that the matter of converting the properties in North Dartmouth, be deferred for approval by Council at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 10th, 1945.

EMERGENCY SHELTERS

Chairman and Members Finance and Executive Committee,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 7th 1945, the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works of the same date, was considered, in regard to the proposed conversion of various buildings for emergency shelter as follows:-

1. Sackville Street Barracks
2. Rockhead AA Gun Site Barracks
3. Barracks quarters with buildings in North Dartmouth
4. Manning Pool - North Barrington Street

On Motion of Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the report was approved, and it was recommended to the Finance and Executive Committee that the Commissioner of Works be authorized to call for tenders for the conversion of the above buildings and that the City make application to the Federal Government for the use of same at a rental of \$1.00 per term.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J.B. Sabean.

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December 7th, 1945.

R. M. MacKinnon, Esq.,
Commissioner of Works,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:- Proposed Conversion of Various Buildings
for Emergency Shelter

Accompanied by Col. Craig, Emergency Shelter Administrator, the following buildings were inspected with a view to converting into three and four room apartments.

1. Sackville Street Barracks:-

Two buildings, one used as sleeping quarters for troops, the other as a Mess Hall and Sergeant's quarters.

2. Rockhead AA Gun Site Barracks

This is at present leased to Halifax School Board for 9 months. Three small buildings are available

3. Barracks quarters with buildings in North Dartmouth, which formerly housed about 300 men.

4. Manning Pool - North Barrington St.

The south wing only of this building is available.

1A. The Sackville Street Barracks (2) buildings, could be divided into a total of about 13 apartments, one or two with 4 rooms and the balance with 3 rooms and would accommodate about 50 adults. The estimated cost to convert this building to provide in the bath rooms, a bath tub, toilet and sink and in the kitchen, a sink and hot water boiler, various partitions, doors and electric lighting rearrangements, is about \$8525. An amount of \$2100 could be deducted if it is decided not to provide a bath tub and hot water facilities.

The estimated rental from the 13 apartments would be about \$270.00 per month without bath and \$300.00 a month with modern facilities.

2A. The School Board have already leased from the Dominion Government, the former AA-Gun Site at Rockhead. I understand from the Chairman of the School Sites and Bldg. Committee that three buildings would be available for conversion into a total of six apartments. Based on the cost of converting the buildings 1A, the estimated cost for this site would be about \$3,000 without bath tub and hot water and a monthly rental of \$120.00.

3A. In North Dartmouth the barracks site is surrounded by a wire fence and has various buildings served with sewer and water which formerly housed about 300 men. An estimate of 40 apartments would be available, if converted. Although an estimate has not been prepared of this site, a tentative figure of \$500.00 per apartment could be used. This would involve an expenditure of \$20,000 and a monthly rental of \$800.00.

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4A. The south wing of the Manning Pool was visited some time ago, and this wing would readily lend itself to conversion into ten apartments. This building is at present divided into individual rooms, is heated, lighted and supplied by water from the main building. Rather than building chimneys for these apartments, the use of an electric cooking stove would be necessary. The estimated cost for this conversion would be about \$2200.00 and the estimated net rental per month about \$200.00.

I would like to emphasize that the above figures are only approximate and if I might suggest that should the City decide to apply to the Dominion Government for leasing these buildings, that the plans of the existing buildings be given to an architect to properly lay out and prepare a specification, and then call for tenders.

Another thought to be kept in mind is the maintenance of these buildings, while being rented, and also that the 40 apartments in North Dartmouth are situated off Windmill Road, just north of the Park High School.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

December 11, 1945.

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

Gentlemen:

Several years ago the City agreed to lease to the Dominion Government a number of lots owned by the City located near Rockhead for the purpose of an Anti-Aircraft Gun Site. This lease continues in effect for the duration of the war and six months thereafter. I am advised, however, that it is not the intention of the Crown to return these lots to the City at the termination of the lease, as I believe the Department of National Defence has plans to use for training purposes.

As part of the wartime project the Government erected a number of buildings on this site and at the present time I do not believe that any of them are being used by the Department.

A few months ago the Board of School Commissioners asked for and secured permission to use all of these buildings for school purposes and this permission was granted for a period of nine months. I think there may be approximately six months left of this period. There is no formal written agreement between the City and the Crown or between the School Board and the Crown covering an exchange of letters and an authorization from the Department to the School Board. As a matter of fact I think it was intended that this agreement was to be made with the City as it is not the policy of the Crown to make such agreements with bodies other than municipalities and it may be necessary to have this matter approved by the City Council at a later date.

Colonel C. S. Craig called on me yesterday and suggested that in view of the fact that the School Board

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were using only three of these buildings for school purposes that the other buildings could be made available for temporary housing units in accordance with the arrangement whereby the same would be leased to the City for One Dollar (\$1.00) for such period as would enable the City to recover its investment in adapting these buildings for housing purposes. It will be necessary to arrange with the School Board to release their rights to the use of such buildings and then the City should enter into an agreement with the Crown in a form, I would suggest, satisfactory to me; the main condition being, that the City is to have the use of certain of these buildings for the purpose of converting them into housing accommodation at a rental for the term of the agreement of One Dollar (\$1.00) and the term to be of such duration to enable the City to recover its investment. If this is approved by the Council the City will then be in a position to make the application to the Government and steps can be taken to make some progress in this matter.

I understand that there are several other locations to be submitted to the Council for approval, one being on Sackville Street, another in north Dartmouth, and I believe there is still another. I would suggest that general authority be given to enter into a similar agreement as above referred to in all such cases approved by the Council.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved.

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

FOR THE MOTION

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

STREET WIDENING

December 11, 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 that a strip of land be

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purchased from Mr. Gordon F. Covey which is required for the purpose of widening Lady Hammond Road was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 10th, 1945.

Chairman and Members Finance and Executive Committee,
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 7th 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works, dated December 6th, 1945, was considered.

On Motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Walker, the report was approved and recommended to the Finance and Executive Committee for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

December 6th, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

For the purpose of widening Lady Hammond Road in front of the above mentioned property, it is necessary that the City secure a strip of land four feet wide, having an area of 280 sq. ft.

Since the land of Mr. Covey's adjoining the City's is lower than the street grade, it is necessary that the City be given permission from Mr. Covey to do the necessary sloping on his own property. To do this sloping will require the erection of a new fence; two trees will be lost and also a hedge.

The total amount to be paid by the City, with the understanding that Mr. Covey will erect his own fence, is \$109.80. I would therefore recommend that this amount be paid and that a deed be secured from Mr. Covey, and that he enter into an agreement with the City to enter on his land, the agreement to contain such terms as may be approved by the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Work.

December 13, 1945.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ART MUSEUM

Halifax, N. S.,
Dec. 11/45.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a letter from the City Solicitor submitting a draft agreement between the City and the Trustees of the Provincial Archives respecting the establishing of an Art Museum was considered.

Your committee recommends that the agreement as prepared by the City Solicitor be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute same on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

R E S O L U T I O N

WHEREAS by section 3 of Chapter 73 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia for the year 1945 the City was authorized to establish and maintain an Art Museum and to enter into an agreement with any person, board, committee, corporation or government for that purpose.

AND WHEREAS the City is desirous of establishing such an Art Museum.

AND WHEREAS the Board of Trustees of Public Archives of Nova Scotia have agreed to assist the City in establishing such Art Museum upon certain terms and conditions as set out in an agreement between the City and the Board.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City does hereby establish an Art Museum to be known as "The City of Halifax Art Museum", to be controlled by the Corporation of the City of Halifax and to be located in the Public Archives of Nova Scotia.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the draft agreement, dated the 13th day of December, A. D. 1945, prepared by the City Solicitor, and now submitted to this Council be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized and empowered to execute the same on behalf of the City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City include in the annual estimates of the said City such sum as the City may be required to pay from year to year in order to carry out the terms and conditions that the said agreement thereby imposed upon the said City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City arrange for adequate insurance upon such exhibits as may be displayed in the said Art Museum and to include the amount of any such premium in the said estimates.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Solicitor be requested to arrange for the preparation and placing in the said Art Museum of a suitable crest of the City of Halifax and appropriate signs to designate the said exhibits and any expense incurred therefor be included in the estimates for the year in which the same are to be paid.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Council express to the Board of Trustees of Public Archives of Nova Scotia its sincere appreciation for the cooperation given by the said Board to the City to enable it to carry out the establishment of the said Art Museum.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be requested to convey this appreciation to the said Board.

T H I S A G R E E M E N T made this 13th day of December, A. D. 1945.

B E T W E E N:

THE CITY OF HALIFAX, a body corporate, hereinafter called "the City"

Of the One Part;

December 13, 1945.

- and -

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF NOVA SCOTIA, a body corporate, hereinafter called "the Trustees"

Of the Other Part;

WHEREAS the City is desirous of establishing in the City of Halifax an Art Museum for the purpose of making fine arts available for the enjoyment of the citizens of the said City.

AND WHEREAS by section 3 of Chapter 73 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia for the year 1945 the City was authorized to establish and maintain an Art Museum and to enter into any agreement with any person, board, committee, corporation or government for that purpose and to include in the annual estimates of the City such sums as may, under any such agreement, be required to be paid by the City in order to carry-out the purpose and terms of the agreement.

AND WHEREAS the City has requested the Trustees to assist the City in establishing such Art Museum and the Trustees have agreed to do so on the terms and subject to the conditions hereinafter set out.

AND WHEREAS the City by Resolution of the City Council passed at a regular meeting of the same held the 13th day of December, A. D. 1945, determined to establish an Art Museum to be located in the Public Archives of Nova Scotia pursuant to the terms of an agreement to be entered into between the City and the Board of Trustees of Public Archives of Nova Scotia, as approved by the said City Council at the said meeting thereof.

NOW THEREFORE THIS AGREEMENT WITNESSETH:

It is agreed between the parties hereto as follows:

1. The Trustees agree to make available a portion of the building known as The Public Archives of

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Nova Scotia for the purpose of exhibiting therein such examples of the fine arts as may be owned by the City and as may be decided by the City to be exhibited therein and also any other examples of the fine arts which the City may desire to exhibit therein.

2. The portion of such building so made available as aforesaid shall be known as "The City of Halifax Art Museum" and shall be so designated by appropriate signs to be furnished by the City at its expense and approved by the Trustees.

3. The Trustees consent to permit the Archivist of the said Archives to act as Curator of the said "The City of Halifax Art Museum", subject to his willingness to act in such capacity, and the City agrees to pay to the Board an annual honorarium of the sum of Five-Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) in consideration of the undertakings on the part of the Trustees as set out in this agreement.

4. In addition to such honorarium the City will defray all costs of an incidental to the hanging, placing and maintenance of all of the exhibits in the said Art Museum and will insure the same, and in no event shall any expense arising out of the presence in the said Archives Building of the said Art Museum fall upon the said Trustees.

5. The said Art Museum shall be open to the public during the same times that the said Archives Building is open to the public.

6. The Trustees shall be at liberty to limit the space in the said Building allocated to the said Art Museum and it is the intention of this agreement and of the parties hereto that only such numbers of exhibits shall be on display in such space as, in the opinion

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of the Archivist, may be properly displayed therein, and that only such exhibits shall be displayed in such space as the Archivist shall approve as suitable therefor.

7. This agreement shall continue in force and effect for five years from the date hereof and, unless determined by the parties hereto at the expiration of such period by one month's notice in writing previously thereto given by either party to the other terminating this agreement, the same shall continue in force and effect thereafter from year to year until terminated by either party at the end of any year by one month's notice in writing previously thereto given by one party hereto to the other.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the said City of Halifax hath executed this agreement by the hands of its Mayor and City Clerk and by affixing its Corporate Seal thereto and the said Board of Trustees of Public Archives of Nova Scotia hath executed the same by the hands of its proper officers duly authorized in that behalf and by affixing its Corporate Seal thereto.

SIGNED SEALED and DELIVERED)

In the presence of

THE CITY OF HALIFAX

Mayor

City Clerk

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
PUBLIC ARCHIVES OF NOVA
SCOTIA.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that the report, resolution and agreement, be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

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MESSAGE HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR RE VETO APPOINTMENT
OF FIRE CHIEF

Read message from His Worship the Mayor as follows:

November 13, 1945.

To The Members of the City Council:

Dear Aldermen:

At the November meeting of Council, I vetoed the resolution appointing Captain Inspector F. C. MacGillivray as Chief of the Halifax Fire Department at a salary of \$3200 annually, the resolution vetoed being one that involved a contract for an expenditure of money.

My reasons for my action are as follows:

In length of seniority as an officer, J. W. Harber has twelve years of experience more than F. C. MacGillivray. Harber became a Captain in November, 1925, MacGillivray in November, 1937. These additional years of service during which time MacGillivray was either a hoseman or a driver, marks Harber, in my judgment, as having superior qualifications, if he had no others to his credit. There is no significance in the point that MacGillivray is Harber's senior in service to the extent of two years.

Harber was promoted Second Deputy Chief in June, 1944. A year later, he was promoted First Deputy Chief. He has functioned as Acting Chief from April to June, 1945, in part of July, 1945, and from August 17 to date. The only time that MacGillivray enjoyed any rank as a Deputy Chief was when, for a period of two weeks, he acted as such in 1942.

Harber has been Acting Chief for a period of more than six months, and has handled all the Halifax fires, including the serious fires of V-E day, with great efficiency. MacGillivray has had no such responsibility.

Harber has had the advantage of a short course of 23 days in 1942 when in England, and in the following year, he did some lecturing for about 7 days at a fire college in England. MacGillivray's special training consists of 40 days at the Boston Fire College in 1939, and 15 days studying incendiary bombs control in 1942.

As to practical experience, Harber's responsible position as Acting Chief, as First Deputy Chief, and Second Deputy Chief, together with his experiences under the German Blitz when he put out fires running from a minimum of 500 to a maximum of 1500, marks his experience as such that it is over and above that of any other member of the force. In England, he had 120 men under his command, roughly the equivalent of the strength of the Halifax fire department.

When he was repatriated to Canada, his commanding officer wrote the late Chief Churchill as follows: "During the period that S. Coy. O. Harber has served under my command, I have found him to be a loyal, conscientious and hard-working officer which bears out the

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splendid recommendation that you forwarded to me with respect to Mr. Harber just prior to his joining this Corps."

I would remind the Council that a very dangerous precedent would be established if it were decided to ignore both efficiency and seniority in making an appointment of this responsible type. The vast majority of the people of this city are aware of Harber's special qualifications for the position, are aware of his seniority, are aware of his training and his ability, and it would be a wrong principle for the Council to keep this position from him after he has served so long on the force, and has completely earned the right to receive it.

I have no doubt that Mr. MacGillivray, along with other men in the fire department, have certain qualifications which mark them of the material of which chiefs are made, but not one of them is as eminently qualified as Harber.

For these reasons (which were known to me at the time I vetoed the resolution) I recorded my veto, and it is my hope that the Council will reflect on the gravity of any action which would keep Acting Chief Harber from the position of Chief officer of the Halifax fire department.

Respectfully submitted,

A. M. BUTLER,
M A Y O R

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Breen that this matter be deferred until the January meeting of the City Council.

Alderman Hosterman: "The Mayor vetoed the action and he had to record his veto within a specified time and I can't see how this can be deferred. Is this in order?"

The City Solicitor was asked for an opinion and he requested that this item be deferred until later on in the meeting, so that he would have an opportunity to study same. This was agreed to by the Council.

See also
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ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

December 3/45.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on the above date, approved and recommended for payment an account from John Tobin & Co.

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Ltd. for the sum of \$675.92 covering Groceries supplied to the City Home.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT MAINTENANCE C. M. WELSFORD

December 13, 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 attached letter from Superintendent Ettinger of the City Home respecting maintenance of Charles M. Welsford at the Nova Scotia Hospital was considered.

Your committee recommends that when accounts for the maintenance of this patient are submitted to the City that same be regularly and consistently repudiated.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 1st, 1945.

The Chairman and Members of
Public Health and Welfare Committee.

Dear Sirs: RE: WELSFORD CHARLES M.

The above named was committed to the Nova Scotia Hospital 13/10/39, under Lt. Governor's warrant and was charged to Halifax City.

We disputed this account on the grounds that this patient was not a charge of ours due to the warrant under which he was committed. We won this appeal and the province accepted liability for his maintenance.

The province, at the next setting of the legislature amended their statutes so as to make Halifax City liable for the maintenance of this patient. In other words the province legislated itself out of debt.

Since 6/12/43 we have been charged with this patient and altho we, have not honored this account (on the advice of the City solicitor), I feel that it is a wiser course to have this matter settled now rather than wait until a huge debt is piled up against us.

May I have your direction please.

Respectfully yours,

A. E. Ettinger,
Superintendent.

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

TENDER BUTTER, EGGS & MEAT

Dec. 3/1945.

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, tenders for the supply of Eggs, Butter and Meats to Civic Institutions were submitted as follows.

EGGS

R. B. Colwell Ltd.	Period of one month	.47½¢	per doz.
"	" three months	.47¢	" "
Swift Canadian Co.Ltd.	" one month	.51¢	" "

BUTTER

R. B. Colwell Ltd.	Period of one month	.39¢	" "
"	" three months	.39¢	" "
Swift Canadian Co.Ltd.	" one month	.38½¢	" "

MEATS

J. A. Leaman & Co.Ltd.	Period of six months	
	Part one	\$6,915.00
	" two	4,312.25

Swift Canadian Co. Ltd.	Part one only	\$7,068.75
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Your committee recommends that the following tenders be approved.

EGGS

R. B. Colwell Ltd. for a period of one month from Dec. 20/45 @ .47½¢ per doz. with the understanding that the Hospitals will be supplied as well as the City Home and City Prison.

BUTTER

Swift Canadian Co. Ltd. for a period of one month @ .38½¢ per lb. with the understanding that the Hospitals will be supplied as well as the City Home and City Prison.

MEATS

J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd. Parts 1 and 2 for a period of six months.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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LIGHTING KITCHEN ETC. CITY HOME

Read report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee as follows:

Dec. 3/1945.

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 report from Superintendent Etinger of the City Home respecting the installing of modern lighting in the Laundry, Kitchen and Bakery of the City Home was considered.

Your committee recommends that fluorescent light fixtures be installed in these three departments at an approximate cost of \$1,000.00 same to be charged against the current estimates of the City Home.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

FEMALE EMPLOYEES

Read report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee as follows:

Dec. 3/1945.

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

Gentlemen:-

The matter of engaging female help was discussed at a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date, the Commissioner of Health reported that he is experiencing considerable difficulty in securing help and if the resolution adopted by Council at a meeting held on September 13/1945 respecting temporary female help is not amended that it will seriously affect his department.

Your Committee therefore recommends that the resolution referred to above be amended to read June 30/1946 instead of December 31/1945.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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ACCOUNT FOR TRUCK FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT

Dec. 5/1945.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date an account from Purdy Motors Limited, amounting to \$1,203.31 covering a one half ton Pick-Up Delivery Truck was approved and recommended for payment.

The funds for this purpose to be provided as authorized by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

DISPOSAL OF OLD TRUCK FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT

Dec. 5/1945.

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 disposing of an old sedan delivery formerly used in the Fire Alarm Telegraph Department was considered.

Your committee recommends that the sedan be sold at public auction by the Melvin S. Clarke Co.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT FOR FLOORING POLICE DEPARTMENT

Dec. 5/1945.

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

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on

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the above date an account from the Maritime Tile Co., amounting to \$460.00 covering repairs etc. to the floor of the office of the Chief of Police was approved and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

QUESTIONS

Alderman Breen wanted to know when the Council would be considering the Beer Plebiscite.

His Worship the Deputy Mayor stated that this matter was deferred until the overseas men are returned home.

Alderman Hosterman stated that the Dominion Government was going to announce that the war is officially over sometime in January 1946.

Alderman Breen gives notice of motion that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he will move that this Council take action on the matter of holding a plebiscite on this question.

Alderman Batson asked if it were possible to have the floor raised for the benefit of the spectators at the rear of the Council Chamber because they could hardly see what was going on.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Coffin that this matter be referred to the Committee on Works. Motion passed.

Alderman Breen asked that some of the members of the School Board inform him if when Mr. Downie was engaged that he would be doing such work as drawing plans. "That is why I did not support this business tonight, particularly when you hired a man for that kind of work."

Alderman DeWolf, Chairman of the Building and Sites Committee, stated that he was not on the School Board when Mr. Downie was appointed but "I was told that that

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was one of the purposes for which he was appointed, but I don't know though. The work had accumulated through the explosion to such an extent that he advises that he cannot get the time to prepare the plans at a reasonable date and for that reason the School Board suggested taking advantage of the offer from C. A. Fowler and Company."

Alderman Hosterman stated that the Schools were in a dangerous condition especially Quinpool Road and that he thought it wise that this matter had gone through tonight.

Alderman Doyle asked permission to introduce a resolution to which Council agreed.

Alderman Doyle then submitted the following resolution which was read by the City Clerk:

WHEREAS in past years the practice of establishing polling booths in each ward in one location in the said wards has rendered it difficult for many persons entitled to vote at civic elections to exercise their franchise.

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that steps be taken to arrange for the placing of polling booths for civic elections in both the east and west sections of each ward instead of in one location in each ward as at present.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that legislation be obtained to provide that the lists of voters be so prepared as to enable such booths to be provided in the east and west portions of each ward and that such amendments to the City Charter be prepared and submitted to the Provincial Legislature to enable this to be done.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk and the City Collector be requested to study this matter

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and submit a report to the Finance and Executive Committee in time for the regular meeting of the City Council in January 1946.

Alderman DeWolf suggested that while Council was dealing with this subject it might as well make the number of polling booths in each ward three.

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

Alderman Walker speaking in regard to Item #50 respecting "Time Clock" suggested that the matter be again deferred.

SALARY SCALE INSTRUMENT MAN

December 4th, 1945.

APPLICATION VERNON BROOKS

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 27th 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 23rd 1945, entitled as above, recommending that Mr. Brooks be classified as an Instrument Man at a flat rate of \$1,600. per year, was on Motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, approved.

On Motion of Alderman Walker, the Committee approved a wage scale of a minimum of \$1500.00 and a maximum of \$1800.00 per year for this position and recommended same to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
City Clerk

Per J. B. Sebean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the Salary Scale for the classification of Instrument Man be set at \$1500.00 minimum and \$1,800.00 maximum and Mr. Brooks be paid at the rate of \$1,600.00 as from December 15/1945. Motion passed.

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HEATING SYSTEM TOWN CLOCK

Read report of the Committee on Works as follows:-

December 4, 1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 27th., 1945 the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 27th., 1945 entitled as above estimating the cost of a complete hot air unit for the Town Clock Building at \$310.00 was considered.

The Commissioner stated that:

"It appears there will be sufficient funds in the Town Clock Appropriation to make the installation".

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty the said report was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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

CITY FIELD SHOP AND OFFICES

Read report of the Committee on Works as follows:-

December 4th., 1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 27th., 1945 the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 27th., 1945 entitled as above advising that:-

"Because of the lateness of the season and the inopportune time to begin construction work, it was thought advisable to defer the City Field proposal until the Spring, in the meantime a decision will be reached".

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty the recommendation was approved and ordered forwarded to the City Council for its information.

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.
Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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STREET LIGHTING CAMBRIDGE ST. ETC.

December 4, 1945.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 27th., 1945 the report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 24th., 1945, entitled as above, recommending that one light be installed on this corner, at an installation cost of approximately \$51.00 was on motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.
Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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

CONCLUSION OF ITEM NO. 20 Re APPOINTMENT FIRE CHIEF

The City Solicitor stated as follows: "There is one step to be taken before a motion to defer is introduced. The message of disapproval from the Mayor must come to the Council from the last meeting. After the message is read to the Council the Council considers it. Council has not arrived at that stage yet and in my opinion the rules of order of Council provide that when a question is regularly under debate no other question or motion shall be entertained. On the basis of this I have to give my opinion, that when the question is given to the Council such motion to defer that question is in order. That procedure follows the procedure set out in the Rules or Order of Council. I would suggest that this procedure be followed."

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Alderman Burgess: "Suppose the veto is upheld would it then be in order to call for applications again?"

Solicitor: "That would be in order." "First of all Council should vote on a resolution which I have prepared."

The City Clerk then read the following resolution:

"Resolved that the proposed expenditure authorized by the resolution appointing Mr. F. C. MacGillivray as Chief of the Halifax Fire Department, which was disapproved by the Mayor, be confirmed."

It was then moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Breen that this matter be deferred until the January meeting of the City Council on account of the Mayor's absence.

Alderman Hosterman stated that he was against this motion because there was not enough time given to which Aldermen Walker and McDonald both agreed.

City Solicitor: "These objections do not apply in this case. I have some doubt as to Section 42 which allows 3 objectors to change the motion into a Notice of Motion. All that is being done is to take a crack at it next month."

Alderman Hosterman: "To overrule the Mayor's veto it would require a two-thirds vote, does this motion of Alderman Adams require a two-thirds vote?"

Solicitor: "No, it is not as important a motion because of its finality."

The Motion was then put and passed seven voting for the same and four against it as follows.

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Adams
Breen
Burgess
Coffin
DeWolf
Doyle
Moriarty

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Batson
Hosterman
McDonald
Walker

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CHANGE OF STREET NAME

December 4th, 1945.

PETITION RESIDENTS BELLEVUE AND GREENWOOD STREETS

The City Council,

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 27th, 1945, considered the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated November 23rd 1945, entitled as above, in regard to a petition from residents requesting that the names of these streets be changed to "Bellevue Avenue" and "Greenwood Avenue".

It was moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty, that the request be granted, and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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

LEASE WATER SHED LANDS

December 4th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 27th 1945, a letter from the City Solicitor dated November 21st, 1945, re Lease Watershed Land Chronicle Co. Ltd., was read, in regard to a five years extension of lease now held by the Chronicle Company Limited, from September 15th 1945, to September 14th 1950.

It was moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Moriarty, and recommended to Council that application be made to the Governor in Council to extend the lease for a further period of five years.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.
Per J. B. Sabeau,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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November 21, 1945.

To His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:

In accordance with instructions from the City Council I prepared and submitted a lease to the Chronicle Company Limited of certain lands on the watershed for the purpose of providing a site for transmitting facilities for Station CJCH. Mr. Fraser, Managing Editor of the Chronicle Company, called to see me and subsequently wrote me a letter under date of November 19th, which is attached hereto, pointing out that the lease as granted is for a term of only five years, and has expressed the desire that in view of the substantial cost involved in making the installation that the Company would prefer to have an option for an additional five years after the expiration of the first term of five years. If this is approved it will be necessary to apply to the Governor-in-Council for permission to include this term as it extends the lease beyond the five year period which is the limit of the City's authority to act on its own.

Mr. Fraser's explanation to me, which was more detailed than that set out in his letter, would seem to indicate that the request was a reasonable one, as it will be necessary for the Company to make a very considerable investment, which in a great part would be thrown away if it were necessary for the Company to move from these premises at the end of five years but which would in some part be recovered if a longer period were assured.

I would appreciate receiving your instructions in this matter.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

EXPROPRIATION OF LAND BIG INDIAN LAKE

December 11th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 7th 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works, dated December 5th 1945, was, on Motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.
Per J. B. Sabeau,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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December 5th, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

A settlement has finally been reached with the following owners of property along the Big Indian Lake Right-of-Way.

Edward Drysdale	- \$ 47.20
David Archibald Drysdale	68.40
Jennie Moser	1100.00

The amount of money to be paid for this property was paid into Court by the City on or about the 24th day of April 1942. Considerable difficulty has been experienced since that time in locating the land lines to enable us to get the area for the properties involved.

I would therefore recommend that the above named persons be authorized to secure this money from Prothonotary's Court.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.

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

SKIMMING SUBDIVISION

December 11th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 7th 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated December 6th as above, and opinion of the City Solicitor dated November 27th 1945, in regard to First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Streets, were considered.

It was moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty, and recommended to the City Council for adoption, that legislation be obtained to close and convey such lands which constitute these proposed streets with a clear title, to the City of Halifax.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

In discussing the matter of streets (First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth) in the Skimming Sub-division situated between Newton and Connaught Avenues with Mr. Bethune, City Solicitor, he recommended that the City secure legislation which would enable us to close and convey such lands which constitute these proposed streets with a clear title.

This would also remove any doubt as to whether or not streets reserved have been properly dedicated for use by the public.

Attached herewith is a copy of the Solicitor's report.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.

November 27, 1945.

Mr. R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works,
City Hall,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Re: First, Second, Third, Fourth Streets, etc.

Dear Sir:

Further to our conversation today, I understand that the City has decided to close certain of the above mentioned streets. So far as I can learn there is no official plan upon which these streets are laid down. As to the title there may be some question that the owners of the original sub-division in which the streets were laid out may have dedicated the same to the use of the public. I have some doubt on this point. However, I would advise that the two following points be considered:

- (1) That the City as a matter of precaution should secure legislation authorizing it to close these streets.
- (2) That some body be authorized and empowered to convey the land constituting the streets so closed and give a good title thereto.

As to the latter suggestion, my reason for making it is that if the streets were "streets" the City has no authority to close the same and bar the access thereto without authority. If they were not streets the City has no authority to deal with them. Moreover, if they were streets then the City should have authority from the Legislature to convey them when they are closed. Similarly such authority should be obtained to remove any possible doubt as to the right of the City to convey them if they were not streets.

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Would you please submit this to the Committee on Works for their consideration and recommendation to Council so I will be authorized to prepare and submit appropriate legislation.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) CARL P. BETHUNE,

City Solicitor.

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

ILLUMINATED SIGNS

December 11th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on December 7th 1945, recommended to the City Council that the leases referred to in the following attached reports of the Commissioner of Works on applications for overhanging signs be granted:-

Report dated and entitled -

Dec, 4, 1945 - Illuminated Sign #1 Granville St.
" " " " " #23 Blowers St.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

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

ENCROACHMENT FORT NEEDHAM (ARMY BARRACKS)

December 11th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 7th 1945, the attached report of the Commissioner of Works dated December 7th 1945, as above, and letter from Assistant Solicitor T. C. Doyle, of the same date, were considered, in regard to the encroachment of a small building on the East Side of Gottingen Street, near Dartmouth Avenue, which does not interfere with traffic, the property of the Department of National Defence.

It was moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Ahern, and recommended to Council that the encroachment be allowed to remain as long as the existing

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agreement with Wartime Housing Limited continues in force.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk

Per J. B. Sabean,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

December 7, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

Attached hereto is a copy of a letter from the City Solicitor's Department in connection with the encroachment of a building on the east side of Gottingen Street near Dartmouth Avenue.

This small building has been in this location for some time and as stated in Mr. Doyle's letter, only encroaches a few feet and does not interfere with traffic.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works.

December 7, 1945.

Mr. R. M. MacKinnon,
Commissioner of Works,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Re: Fort Needham - Army Barracks

Dear Sir:

His Majesty the King, on behalf of Wartime Housing, has expropriated a piece of land on Fort Needham on which are located Army Barracks. These barracks are to be converted into housing units for Veterans and City Council, on August 16th, by resolution, approved of this matter. One of the buildings encroaches a few feet over the official street line. The agreement with Wartime Housing provides that the property will be re-conveyed to the City at the end of ten years or soon thereafter with an option that Wartime Housing might retain property for a further period of five years and from year to year thereafter, as the housing situation so warrants.

I would suggest that you forward this letter to the Committee on Works and have it recommend to Council that as this encroachment does not occasion any unreasonable inconvenience to the public, Council should permit it to continue as long as the above agreement continues in force.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR.

(Sgd.) T. C. DOYLE.

December 13, 1945.

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

FIRE PROTECTION CHARGES DOMINION GOVERNMENT

December 11th, 1945.

The City Council,

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 7th 1945, the attached letter from the City Solicitor dated November 27th 1945, re "Fire Protection Charges - Dominion Government Property" was read.

The Committee approved of the action of the City Solicitor in his effort to seek full amount of fire protection rates; the water consumption rates being a matter for the Public Service Commission, and recommended same to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Asst. Clerk of Works.

November 27, 1945.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:

For some time I have had up with the Department of Public Works the matter of the payment of fire protection charges on their buildings, as the amounts previously paid are with question entirely inadequate. The matter of consumption rates does not enter this matter entirely but in the suggestion submitted by the Dominion Government they are involved, as the suggestion which was made was that instead of paying meter rates they pay a flat rate which would cover not only the meter rates but the fire protection charge as well. The situation is as follows:

Building	Water Consumption in \$	Amount Paid	Proportion for F. P. Rate.	Full F. P. Rate
Dominion Public Building	1319.48	1500.00	180.52	2015.47
Customs House (See note below)	1153.70	591.82	None	388.50
Camp Hill Hospital		In addition to meter consumption rates a fire protection rate of \$400.00 is also paid.		

December 13, 1945.

Wachoma Hospital

In addition to meter consumption rates a fire protection rate of \$240.00 is also paid.

Old Post Office Building

In addition to meter consumption rates a fire protection rate of \$500.00 is also paid.

N. B. The amount shown above for water consumption at the Customs House is not accurate as the meter was found to be incorrect and was replaced and the yearly consumption including the service charge would be approximately \$1153.70, but the Deputy Minister of Works in arriving at his suggestion for a flat amount of \$500.00 used the old figure of \$591.82 as a five year average.

The proposal made by the Department in respect of the Dominion Public Building and Customs House as to the flat amount to be paid to cover both water consumption and fire protection charges is as follows:

Dominion Public Building	\$1500.00
Customs House	600.00

I have had considerable correspondence with the Deputy Minister of Works and I have written him today to suggest that an adequate sum should be paid to the City on account of fire protection as this is a service which the City renders and I indicated that, although it was not likely that the event would ever come to pass, the City would be entitled to withhold such a service as fire protection from Dominion property if the City were not compensated for such a service. I wish to point out that this was merely a suggestion on my part and was not in any way an indication that this course was even being considered by the City, but I do think that this matter should be settled promptly and in a manner in which the City will be entitled to receive some compensation for services rendered.

I am communicating this to you for your information and would be pleased to receive any particular directions you may have concerning the same.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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