

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY
FEBRUARY 16, 1950

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EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
February 16, 1950,
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 DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Hoosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

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

MOTION ALDERMAN KITZ Re: HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE

Alderman Kitz: 'I am not going to labor this issue. The purpose of my motion is to support a contribution on behalf of the City to pay 25% of the costs for the bridge. The contemplated figure is about seven million dollars; the contemplated revenue is one half million and the contemplated annual cost one half million. I think little I can say is going to change the minds or the views of the Aldermen here tonight so I am not going to address my remarks along this line. I will only add this that we build roadways and sewers at a cost of \$1.00 on the \$1.00 and this is a chance to spend 25% on the dollar and have a dollar's worth done. I hesitate to speak strongly in favor of this because I don't want to start debate going again, yet, I can't sit down without seeing a bridge as a monument to the future, providing a few years of employment, connecting two growing cities and in a more direct

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concern, connecting that new development in Tuft's Cove.

I will say once again that there is one point that has not been said which I will add that is with the added purchasing power of 5,000 people, it should reflect to some extent in better business in the North end which in greater building might cause us larger taxes in that field. We would all feel sorry to see this turned down. All I am asking is that we meet with the Province and agree to pay 25% of the cost and to signify our willingness to the Province and doubtless upon that going through there will be a meeting of all the contributing parties."

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that WHEREAS the early construction of the HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE is in the best interests of both the taxpayers and residents of the City of Halifax;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the City of Halifax bear a proportionate share of the cost of such a public project;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Halifax through its present City Council express its approval of the early construction of the proposed HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Halifax also express its willingness to guarantee Bonds to the extent of twenty-five per centum of the cost of construction of such a bridge, and that such twenty-five per centum shall not exceed the sum of \$1,750,000.00, and provided that the Province of Nova Scotia undertake to erect such a bridge through a building company or other lawfully constituted public body authorized by law to issue bonds for such an undertaking;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such a bridge, upon construction, be operated as a Toll Bridge for the purpose of retiring the bonded indebtedness and of paying the costs of operation;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the necessary legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature to enable the City to participate in this programme and to enter into the necessary agreements.

Alderman Moriarty: "It gives me much pleasure to second that motion. There is nothing I could add to what Alderman Kitz has

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expressed but when I stand on the shore of Halifax and look across and see the vast expansion of territory that could be developed by the construction of a bridge and what could be realized will add so much to the prosperity of this City in the near future, if it is not accepted and passed will reflect on everyone of the Council sitting in this Chamber tonight. I feel it is a step forward and with that thought in mind I will not add anything more to the remarks already expressed by Alderman Kitz."

Alderman Abbott: "Alderman Kitz mentioned that the City would guarantee 25% of the cost. Suppose the bridge cost \$15,000,000.00; would the City be obligated to guarantee 25% of that cost or the \$7,000,000.00?"

Alderman Kitz: "The motion is phrased to put a ceiling on our liability. It is 25% of \$7,000,000.00 or \$1,750,000.00. If it goes over that we are not responsible."

Alderman Abbott: "That is fine. I feel I can support the bridge. I am in accord with Aldermen Kitz and Moriarty. The construction of this bridge will help out the unemployment. I am going to support construction of the bridge tonight."

Alderman Walker: "The Alderman says we get a dollar's worth for 25%. Who is responsible for the building of the roads and bridges? It is the Provincial Government so why say that. It is not our business. It is the Provincial Government's business. They should pay at least 50%. I think 25% is too much to pay. It is the old election dodge. It is the same old stuff. This bridge will benefit Dartmouth more than Halifax. I am for the bridge but not to pay that money. It is too much money on our shoulders."

The motion was put and passed 11 voting for the same and 1 Alderman being excused as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Hosterman
Abbott
Adams
MacDonald
Kitz
Redmond
Burgess
Vaughan

Alderman Walker excused from voting.

It was agreed that Item #28 "Borrowing Resolutions" be now considered.

BORROWING RESOLUTIONS

Read letter from the Board of School Commissioners under date of February 4, 1950 requesting authority to engage the services of an Architect or Architects to draw plans etc. for new schools.

A Borrowing Resolution amounting to \$121,500.00 for architect fees was submitted.

Ex-Mayor A. M. Butler, Chairman of the School Board was present and addressed the Council as follows: "I had the advantage of an earlier discussion with Alderman Kitz on this matter. This matter deals with the possibility of the setting up of an Architectural Department by the City itself or the School Board itself. That is one phase of the question. We are concerned with the delay of a month's time. Perhaps we could hold an earlier meeting on this matter to see what is in the minds of the Finance and Executive Committee to develop the idea of an Architectural Department or to allow us to proceed with the drawing of these plans. Two of the schools are concerned. The School Board is under a moral obligation. The new Senior High School has been awarded to a firm of architects and also the LeMarchant Street School. The only school not assigned is the new Gorsebrook.

It is in Alderman Kitz's mind and in the School Board's too the undesirability of asking for a substantial amount of money when

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in fact it is really too much. That is what is in the Aldermen's minds and ours too. We thought that if we got permission to employ architects to draw preliminary plans we could regulate the price accordingly. I question whether those schools will cost what we have asked for. That is what we have in our minds when we ask to have architects to make those preliminary drawings. We would be glad to meet with the Finance and Executive Committee to see what is on their minds."

Alderman Hosterman: "Has intimation been made that the architects are to go ahead with the plans?"

Mr. Butler: "Yes. A very definite commitment. I don't think the Board would want to depart from that obligation."

Alderman Walker referred to Mr. Downie and asked if he were not employed to do the architectural work.

Mr. Butler replied that Mr. Downie's contract with the Board was not firm enough and it caused some matter of confusion. Mr. Downie left the Board and is now acting in a consulting capacity.

Alderman Kitz: "As you may know this is a subject that I have long held strong views on. The architectural cost to the City of Halifax has enlarged. The amount to pay is \$125,000.00 for fees alone. Those fees while they are staggering enough in themselves don't meet the whole problem, it only meets one phase of it. We have found ourselves building extremely expensive types of structures. I am satisfied in my own mind that there is a change taking place in procedure of our way of getting schools built, but let me point out the coincidence that when we had a School Board hired hand it cost at the St. Stephen School around \$10,000.00 a room and at Westmount and Gorsebrook somewhere around \$12,000.00 and \$13,000.00 a room whereas Richmond School which was built under an architecturally designed plan comes out at \$28,000.00 a room and Cornwallis High at \$16,000.00 a room.

We have near enough to 15 or 20 million dollars worth of buildings in the City. We are either building schools, markets or fire

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stations, we always have something on. If we can have a meeting and work out something that will rebound to the advantage of the City by all means, let us do so. I am going to suggest that the consideration of the Finance and Executive Committee be concurred in and that we have a meeting with the School Board."

Alderman Hostrerman: "It is a case of locking the door after the horse is stolen. After what Mr. Butler said we are going to stand to lose an amount of approximately \$45,000.00."

Alderman Kitz: "I am not suggesting that you fire the architects after you have hired them. This school at LeMarchant Street was contracted for years ago. If we have a legal obligation then we have to continue with that. If we save $\frac{1}{2}$ million dollars, the matter will have been well considered."

His Worship the Mayor: "What is the wish of the Council?"

Alderman Abbott: "We are obligated for LeMarchant Street School. I would like to clear up one remark about the cost per classroom with regard to St. Stephen and Cornwallis High Schools. There is no comparison between those schools. St. Stephen is a poorly constructed school. St. Stephen will be gone many years while Cornwallis Street will be a good building."

Alderman Kitz: "Don't you think after a meeting that the total amount might be smaller?"

Mr. Butler: "We are fully conscious of the need of saving \$500,000.00 and that is the reason why we ask for these monies tonight so we can have preliminary drawings drawn up."

Alderman MacDonald: "Has any effort been made on the part of the School Board to replace Mr. Downie when he resigned his position?"

Mr. Butler: "We felt that for the balance of the program it would be better to throw the cost of architect fees into the capital cost of the construction of schools but to allow the maintenance work to be handled by Mr. Freeman because the program

WHEREAS by Resolution the City Council of the City of Halifax did on the 13th day of May, A. D. 1948, resolve to borrow a sum not exceeding one Million Four Hundred and Ninety-five Thousand Dollars (\$1,495,000.00) for the purpose of erecting, acquiring, purchasing, altering, adding to, improving, furnishing or equipping buildings for public schools.

AND WHEREAS of the said sum of one Million Four Hundred and Ninety-five Thousand Dollars (\$1,495,000.00) set out in the said Resolution it was proposed to expend a sum not exceeding Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) for the construction of a school building on the Gorsebrook property.

AND WHEREAS it was found by the City that the sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) was inadequate for the purpose of constructing a school building sufficient to fulfil the requirements for the area of the City to be served by such school, and by a further Resolution the City Council of the City of Halifax did on the 23rd day of September, A. D. 1948, resolve to borrow an additional sum of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) to supplement the said sum of Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) as aforesaid.

AND WHEREAS since the passing of the said two above mentioned Resolutions it has been found by the City that the above total sum of Three Hundred and Fifty thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) is inadequate for the said purpose.

AND WHEREAS an additional sum of Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00) is required to supplement the said sum of Three Hundred and Fifty thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) as aforesaid.

AND WHEREAS by section 8 of Chapter 6 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia 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 sums or sums of money 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, lockups, prisons, city hall, city house, asylums for the harmless insane or other city purposes.**

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 **Thirty-five thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00)** to supplement the sum of three hundred and fifty thousand Dollars (\$350,000.00) previously borrowed as aforesaid for the erection of **Worsbrook School.**

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding **Thirty-five thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00)** 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 **Thirty-five thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00)**

as may be necessary for the purposes 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 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 sum of **Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00)** for the purposes 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 **Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00)**.

THAT the issue of said debentures be postponed and that the said City do under and by virtue of the provisions of section 318B of the Halifax City Charter of 1931 borrow from **the General Current Account** a sum or sums of money not exceeding **Thirty-five Thousand Dollars (\$35,000.00)**.

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

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the resolution of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly passed at a **Regular** meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the **16th** day of **February, A.D. 1950**.

GIVEN under the hands of the Mayor and City Clerk and under the corporate seal of the said City this **16th** day of **February, A.D. 1950**.

Mayor

City Clerk

WHEREAS by section 8 of Chapter 6 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia 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 sums of money 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, lockups, prisons, city hall, city home, asylums for the harmless insane or other city purpose.**

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AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary by the City Council of the City of Halifax to borrow a sum not exceeding **One Hundred and Eighty thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00)** for the purpose of installing sprinkler systems in schools.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding **One hundred and Eighty thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00)** 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 **One Hundred and Eighty thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00)** as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid, the said sums to be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

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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 **One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00)**.

THAT the issue of said debentures be postponed and that the said City do under and by virtue of the provisions of section 318B of the Halifax City Charter of 1931 borrow from **the General Current Account** a sum or sums of money not exceeding **One Hundred and Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00)**.

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AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary by the City Council of the City of Halifax to borrow a sum not exceeding **Thirty thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00)** for the purpose of **improvements to boiler rooms in various city schools.**

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding **Thirty thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00)** 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 **Thirty thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00)**

as may be necessary for the purposes 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 sum of **Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00)** for the purposes 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 **Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00)**.

THAT the issue of said debentures be postponed and that the said City do under and by virtue of the provisions of section 318B of the Halifax City Charter of 1931 borrow from **the General Current Account** a sum or sums of money not exceeding **Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00)**.

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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 and such proposed borrowing has been approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

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AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary by the City Council of the City of Halifax to borrow a sum not exceeding **Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00)** for the purpose of making alterations to Morris Street school.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding **Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00)** 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 **Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00)**

as may be necessary for the purposes 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 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 sum of **Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00)** for the purposes aforesaid.

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Mayor

W. P. Publicover

City Clerk

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of capital construction was fairly near its end. The School Board thought of engaging architects for the new buildings and use Mr. Freeman."

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Breen that the resolution of the Finance and Executive Committee that we hold an early consultation with the School Board be sustained.

The motion was put and passed 11 voting for the same and 1 against as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Adams
Breen
Burgess
DeWolf
Hosterman
Kitz
MacDonald
Moriarty
Redmond
Vaughan
Walker

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott

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Borrowing Resolutions for the following purposes and amounts were submitted and same are attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Construction of Gorsebrook School	\$ 35,000.00
Alterations Morris St. School	25,000.00
Improvements Boiler Rooms	30,000.00
Sprinkler Systems	180,000.00

Moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the resolutions as submitted be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

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

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE amounting to \$19,461.01; the COMMITTEE ON SAFETY amounting to \$1,974.31 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$27,532.33 chargeable to Fire Department; \$27,024.03 chargeable to Police Department; the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE amounting to \$37,062.90 chargeable to Health Dept.; \$14,153.65 chargeable to City Home and \$3,161.93 chargeable to City Prison; the COMMITTEE ON WORKS amounting to \$35,663.30; the DIRECTORS OF POINT PLEASANT PARK amounting to \$1,056.48; the HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE amounting to \$6,459.52 and the RECREATION COMMITTEE amounting to \$1,012.17 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 following account was approved and recommended for payment:

Barber-Ellis Maritime Limited \$ 238.25

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAG DAYS

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 it was agreed to recommend that applications for permission to hold Tag Days be approved as follows:

Canadian Cancer Society	Saturday April 29.
Kiwanis Club	Saturday May 13.

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Hfx. Colored Citizens Improvement League	Saturday	May 20.
Sir Samuel Cunard Chapt. I. O. D. E.	Saturday	May 27.
Callow Veterans & Invalids Welfare League Canvas week beginning Sept. 11 and Tag Day on	Saturday	Sept. 16.
Boy Scouts Association	Saturday	Oct. 14.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 observing Daylight Saving Time in
the City of Halifax was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that Daylight Saving Time be
observed in the City of Halifax from 12:01 A. M. Sunday, April 30,
to 12:01 A. M. Sunday, October 29.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE #13

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on
the above date the attached amendment to Ordinance #13 respecting
the regulation of Vehicles Transporting Passengers for Hire as
prepared by the City Solicitor was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the amendment be read and

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passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENTS

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Halifax under the authority of section 228 of the Motor Vehicle Act as follows:

1. Ordinance No. 13, Respecting the Regulation of Vehicles Transporting Passengers for Hire, is amended by inserting therein, immediately following section 2 thereof, the following section;

2A. The Chief of Police shall have the general control, supervision and direction over the Inspector of Licenses and any deputy or assistant to such Inspector and any officer or official acting in the carrying out of the various duties set out in this Ordinance.

2. Subsection (1) of section 3 of said Ordinance No. 13 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of section 2A of this Ordinance and any specific directions from time to time given or issued by the Chief of Police, the Inspector shall have supervision over all persons licensed under this Ordinance and over all vehicles to which the same applies, and the following shall constitute his duties under this Ordinance:

3. Subsection (2) of said section 3 of said Ordinance No. 13 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(2) Any act authorized or directed by this Ordinance to be done by the Inspector may, in the absence of any statutory provisions contrary thereto, be done or performed by the Chief of Police or by any officer or official under the control or direction of the Chief of Police when so authorized by the Chief of Police and with the like power and authority as the Inspector would have in such case.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the amendments to Ordinance #13 as set out above be read and passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval. Motion passed.

AUCTIONEER'S LICENSE

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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

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Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the matter of an application from Mr. Harry Arron for an Auctioneer's License was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the application be approved and Mr. Arron granted an Auctioneer's License.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

WRITE-OFF UNCOLLECTIBLE TAXES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 recommending that uncollectible tax accounts amounting to \$814.18 be written off under the provisions of Section 283 Sub-Section 2 of the City Charter was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PETITION FOR SIDEWALKS, ETC.

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 respecting the laying of concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter on the south side of Bayers Road was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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PETITION CONCRETE SIDEWALK, CURB & GUTTER
BAYERS ROAD - WINDSOR TO OXFORD STREET

Chairman and Members of the
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 7th, 1950 the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works was considered.

On motion of Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Abbott, the Committee approved of laying Concrete sidewalk, curb and gutter on the south side only and recommended same to the Finance and Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

February 3, 1950.

To His Worship the Mayor, Chairman,
and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:

A petition dated January 30th, 1950 has been received signed by seventy-three per cent (73%) of the total frontage of the property owners on the southern side of Bayers Road, from Windsor to Oxford Streets.

Bordering the northern side of Bayers Road is the Garrison Barracks owned by the Department of National Defence. This is a very rough section of that portion of Bayers Road and it is recommended that the petitioners' request be granted.

The estimated cost for concrete curb and gutter and sidewalk for the south side of Bayers Road, a length of nine hundred and fifty-three (953') feet is \$7300.00 and the estimated assessment is \$3335.50.

It is further recommended that in order to stone and oil this street, that curb and gutter also be constructed on the north side. The estimated cost being \$2500.00, but as mentioned above no assessment can be made since it is owned by the Dominion Government.

The petitioners have also requested that the street be paved, but since the paving Capital Fund has been curtailed it is recommended that the street be stoned and oiled.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

February 16, 1950.

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

SEWER FACILITIES HARTLEN SUBDIVISION

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 sewer facilities be extended to the Hartlen Subdivision was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman DeWolf: "I wonder if this is just for the sale of lots or if houses are going to be put there. The City is going to be faced with quite a loss if not so. Are they going to build or is it just to open up the development. We should find out about this."

Mr. Woods: "I can't give you any guarantee that houses will be built."

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

SEWER ASSESSMENT EXEMPTION

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 sewer assessment on the property owned by Mr. Allan R. Dauphinee, Marlborough Woods, be cancelled was considered.

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Your Committee recommends that the report be approved and the necessary legislation obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 11, 1950.

RE SEWER ASSESSMENT EXEMPTION
ALLAN R. DAUPHINEE - MARLBOROUGH WOODS

Chairman and Members of the
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 7th, 1950, the attached report of the Acting Commissioner of Works, dated January 31st, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to the Finance and Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

January 31st, 1950.

To His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Committee on Works.

Dear Sirs:-

This morning the City Collector received a letter from Mr. Allan R. Dauphinee, Marlborough Woods, stating that he had been given to understand that the Sewer Assessment was exempted for his property since he could not use the sewer installed on a unnamed street in Marlborough Woods.

In looking up the records, I find a report, a copy of which is attached, made by Mr. Mackinnon last May, and apparently for some reason was laid aside and not presented for action.

Since the property of Mr. Dauphinee is connected to the North West Arm Sewer and he cannot make use of the sewer installed by the City in 1946, which was laid to accommodate buildings on the eastern side of the above street, I would recommend that the Sewer Assessment and accumulated interest be cancelled.

Respectfully submitted,

F. C. Woods,
Acting Commissioner of Works.

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

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TAX EXEMPTION HALIFAX INFIRMARY NURSES HOMES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 City Assessor respecting a request from the Halifax Infirmary for exemption from taxation on three properties used for Nurses Homes, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and the necessary legislation obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

January 19, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

I attach a letter which I received from Mr. R. J. Flinn, Vice Chairman of the Board of Governors of the Halifax Infirmary, asking for exemption from properties which are used by the Infirmary exclusively for nurses' homes.

The present exemption which the Halifax Infirmary enjoys is authorized by Section 2, Chapter 152, the Acts of 1931. It does not, however, give them exemption on these properties, nor is there any provision in the Public Hospitals Act granting them any exemption; hence this application.

For your information, the following table shows the amounts of the assessments on the various properties and the taxes payable.

<u>Property</u>	<u>Assessments</u>	<u>Amounts Payable</u>
99 Morris St.	\$ 10,500.00 1,050.00	\$ 367.50 36.75
105 Morris St.	\$ 12,500.00 1,250.00	\$ 437.50 43.75
15 Dundonald St.	\$ 10,000.00 1,000.00	\$ 350.00 35.00

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

SUPERANNUATION W. P. MORRISCEY

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 the Public Health and Welfare Committee recommending that Mr. William P. Morrissey be superannuated.

It was agreed to recommend that legislation be obtained enabling the City to pay to Mr. Morrissey a retiring allowance of \$1500.00 per annum effective from the date of his retirement.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Moriarty: "I have been associated with Mr. Morrissey since my boyhood and during that time I have known Mr. Morrissey to be employed with the City for a period of 33 years. He was an outstanding officer in the City. My contention is that during the time he was Plumbing Inspector he brought it up to a standard only second to Chicago. He has spent the best part of his life in the City at a very small salary. When I take in mind an amount of \$1620.00 was what was agreed to pay Mr. Morrissey on his retirement the recommendation has come in for \$1,500.00. I don't know why. I thought for the amount he had paid into the Superannuation Plan that \$2,000.00 would not be a cent too much to give him for the rest of his life. The difference between \$1,500.00 and \$2,000.00 is a very small amount for the service he has given during his life time."

Alderman Hosterman: "\$1,500.00 is what he asked for."

Alderman MacDonald: "\$1,620.00 was the superannuation

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due him but I also understood that he asked for \$1,500.00."

Alderman Moriarty: "When you think you are going to cut that man \$120.00 less for the rest of his life time, I will have to be recorded against."

Alderman DeWolf: "Mr. Morrissey had retired from the City and then he had come on again and then there was no scheme in effect."

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf that Mr. Morrissey be superannuated at \$1,620.00 per annum.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration. Amendment passed.

Alderman Burgess: "I had a case 4 years ago where a man worked for 38 years and I had to get down on my knees to get him \$60.00 a month. Whatever happens here we will have to do for other men looking for the same thing."

SUPERANNUATION SGT. COSTWELL

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 the Safety Committee recommending that Sergeant Costwell be superannuated at an annual allowance of \$1,000.00.

It was agreed to forward the report to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Walker: "This man has given 25 years of his life to the City. The Ex-Chief of Police read a letter from him and he gave what was going on and what this man had been through. \$1,000.00 is a lot too low in this case. You are not going to give

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it to him for long. He is entitled to something. The least we can give him is enough to live on. We have been giving \$1,000.00 increases and there is an \$8,000.00 a year man."

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Redmond that Sgt. Costwell be superannuated at \$1,500.00 per annum.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration.

The amendment to the amendment was put and passed 9 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Hosterman
Kitz
MacDonald
Moriarty
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Burgess
Redmond
Walker

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MURRAY EXPROPRIATION

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 attached report from the City Solicitor respecting the Murray Expropriation.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 10, 1950.

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

Dear Sirs:

The claimants costs in the above matter have been taxed by the Taxing Master and have been fixed at \$647.70, which includes disbursements to an amount of approximately \$140.00.

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This account was determined by the Taxing Master on the basis of the scale provided as between solicitor and client rather than on the basis of party and party, which has been the basis of taxation of these accounts up to the present time. I would say that the account is approximately \$300.00 higher than it would be on the basis of the party and party scale of costs.

This decision was made by the Taxing Master on his interpretation of the wording of section 635 of the Charter which provides - "Unless the referee otherwise orders, the cost of any such reference, including the fees of the referee, shall be paid by the City if the amount of compensation finally awarded exceeds the amount paid into Court....."

The use of the word "cost" in this sentence has resulted in this interpretation being given by the Taxing Master and I can see no way of upsetting this view at the present time.

I would therefore recommend that this account be paid and that the funds therefor be secured from the capital sums borrowed for the purpose of this expropriation.

I would recommend that legislation be obtained to provide that any costs awarded in expropriations by the City should be on the party and party scale and the City should only be liable for costs if the amount paid into Court is not sufficient to satisfy the amount of compensation finally awarded.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

EXCHANGE OF LAND AGREEMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 City Solicitor respecting an account of the Public Service Commission covering repairs to a broken watermain at the Airport was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved and the account passed for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Dear Sirs:

When Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation was developing the portion of the Airport area for the New Westmount housing project, Standard Paving Maritime Limited was excavating for sewer and water lines. In the course of this work one of the shovels broke an existing water main which resulted in certain buildings used by the Army and the hydrants being without water. The Army immediately requested the Public Service Commission to repair the break, which was done and service was restored.

Public Service Commission submitted its account in the sum of \$449.89 to the Army which agreed to pay the same and now desires to avail itself of the rights under the exchange of land agreement with the City. The clause in question is as follows:

"3. In consideration of the transfers aforesaid, the City will credit His Majesty with the sum of Seventy-four Thousand Five Hundred and Eight-five Dollars (\$74,585.00.) The credit aforesaid will be liquidated by applying against the credit any sums of money which His Majesty may owe to the City with respect to the construction of new services and utilities in the City of Halifax, and more particularly but without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the construction of sewers, water, light, sidewalks, roads and other allied services and utilities."

The right of the Army to make this election under the above paragraph is not entirely clear. The paragraph refers to "sums of money which His Majesty may owe to the City" with respect to certain services. The account in question is not owing to the City but to the Public Service Commission - a separate legal entity.

However, the matter is somewhat involved with the City's agreement respecting the development of the New Westmount project, under which the City was obliged to lay the sewers. The work might therefore be said to be carried out by the City's contractor and the City could conceivably have some liability for the damage done. The Army could therefore have looked to the City to repair the damage.

In view therefore of the willingness of the Army to have the account charged against their credit with the City, I would suggest that the request be complied with and the Public Service Commission paid this sum of \$449.89, as shown on invoice of the Public Service Commission #2859, dated December 31st, 1948, attached hereto.

I do not know from what source these funds may be obtained. They actually constitute a payment in advance of a portion of the sum of \$74,585.00 due by the City which is of a capital nature. They could in my opinion be reasonably charged against any of the sums received from the sale of land acquired under the Exchange of land agreement - such as South Barracks, Cogswell Hospital, etc. Care, however, must be taken to see that it is charged against the

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credit due to the Army.

I presume that this sum owing by the City has been set up in some record and any deductions therefrom noted. If not, this should be done at once.

When this payment is approved I would like to have the cheque sent to me to be forwarded so that I can close my file on this matter.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

ESTATE PHOEBE TURNER

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 the City Solicitor recommending that a claim for Hospital and Burial Expenses of the late Phoebe Turner be settled for the sum of \$89.46 and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign a release to the Canadian National Railway.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

It was agreed that Item #24 "Prefabricated Houses" be now considered.

HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE

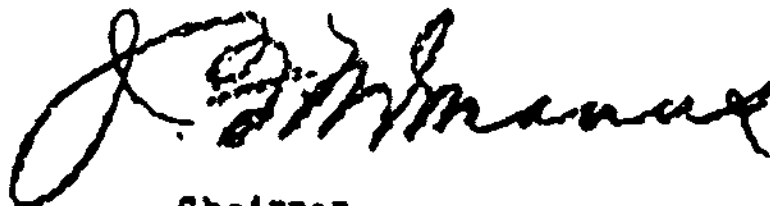
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His Worship the Mayor and Members,
Finance & Executive Committee,
City of Halifax,
Halifax, N.S.

Gentlemen,

Attached is a report of the Housing Accommodation
Committee recommending the purchase of the 787 pre-fabricated
houses from the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation, and
the proposed plan of management thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "J. G. Mansur".

Chairman,
HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE.

February 10, 1950.

Members of the Housing
Accommodation Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.

Gentlemen,

The Special Committee appointed to continue negotiations relative to the purchase of the 787 prefabricated houses beg to report as follows:

A conference was held with Messrs. Isnor and Dickey when a full discussion took place on the subject. Consideration was also given to Mr. Hemming's report which is submitted herewith and it was felt that no useful purpose could be served by carrying on any further.

It is, therefore, recommended as follows:

1. That the offer of Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation to sell the houses at \$1,000.00 per unit be accepted.
2. That the houses, with the exception of the ones in the Mulgrave Park area, be completed with foundation walls and the chimneys finished and then sold.
3. That the houses in the Mulgrave Park area be retained on a rental basis only -- rentals to be determined by the Committee hereinafter mentioned.
4. That all the properties be assessed on the regular City Assessment and taxed on that sum, and the rent be adjusted accordingly so that these rentals be no longer subsidised by the City of Halifax.
5. That the operation and management of the houses be left with the Housing Accommodation Committee.
6. That, where legislation is required to carry out any of the foregoing recommendations, the same be obtained at the next session of the Legislature.

(Sgd.) J.F. McManus

(Sgd.) L.A. Kitz

(Sgd.) J.G. DeWolf

Halifax, N.S.,
January 26, 1950.

Chairman and Members of the
Housing Accommodation Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.

Gentlemen,

As requested by you I have examined a large number of the 757 pre-fabricated houses presently owned by the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation and which it is suggested should be purchased by the City. I shall deal with these houses in the various blocks as they have been considered by you.

1. MULGRAVE PARK - There are 290 houses in this area bounded by Duffus, Gottingen, Glebe and Barrington Streets. They are of plywood construction, with 1 3/8 inches softwood groove and tongue floors. They have 2 x 8 joists, 3 x 10 runners, 6 x 8 sills, roof rafters 2 x 4 and frame 2 x 4; the partitions in the attic of the 6-room houses are 2 x 3. They are shingled with cedar grain asbestos shingles and are on wooden posts. All the houses need certain repairs. The front porches and steps have been heaved by frost action. In some instances the floor joists have started to become rotten due to dampness and lack of air under the houses. All the houses have hanging chimneys. To extend the life of any of the houses for any length of time would entail considerable expense. These were the first group of the prefabricated houses erected by the Government at the beginning of the War and were erected primarily as emergency shelters with only an expected temporary life.

2. EDGEWOOD AREA - There are 251 houses in the area bounded by Bayers Road, Connaught Avenue, Chester Avenue and Oxford Street. The houses have approximately the same construction as those in the Mulgrave Park. The walls have cedar shingles. The roofs have been repaired in many instances where the asphalt shingles have been torn away by the wind. Front porches and steps in a number of cases have been heaved by frost. There are double floors with a hardwood floor on top. These are in much better condition than the group of houses in the Mulgrave Park area.

3. ARDMORE - There are two groups of houses in this area divided as follows: 116 are located south of Bayers Road and east of Connolly Street; and 109 are located north of Bayers Road and west of Connaught Avenue.

Dealing first with the 116 houses: These are in good condition. They have the same type of construction as the other houses, and have double floors, the top being hardwood.

Insofar as the balance of 109 in this area is concerned, they are of the same construction as the 116 and are not in as good condition, but are in much better condition than the houses in the Mulgrave Park.

4. TWENTY-ONE HOUSES BETWEEN OXFORD AND CONNOLLY STREETS - These are the ones formerly managed by the City and are in good condition. They are on a par with the 116 in the Ardmore area.

On an ordinary scale in their present condition they would sell for about \$2,000.00, providing the City allowed them to remain.

It is estimated that to erect a foundation under the houses, connect every second house to the sewer and complete chimneys would cost approximately \$1,200.00 per house.

(Sgd.) H. Henning

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PREFABRICATED HOUSES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 attached report from the Housing Accommodation Committee respecting the purchase of 787 prefabricated houses from Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation.

It was decided to recommend that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

(The report of the Housing Accommodation Committee is attached to the original copy of these minutes.)

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

Mr. E. F. Cragg was present and it was agreed that he be heard.

Mr. Cragg addressed Council as follows: "I am representing a group of property owners who live on Oxford, Vienna, Edinburgh Streets and Connaught Avenue. These people are all citizens of the City and all tax payers and are all home owners. They want me to put them on record as not opposing the purchase by the City of these prefabricated houses, rather they are of the opinion that that is the only thing for the City to do. They are opposed to any suggestion that these houses be acquired by the City with the view of offering them for sale to the present occupants and in default put them on the open market. There are several reasons why such a course should not be adopted. A most important reason is this that in 1942 these houses were constructed particularly as an emergency measure and the type of accommodation is a temporary measure. The houses have no foundations under them. The people are opposed to foundations being put under them by the City or any owner. In 1942 a delegation from the home owners from Oxford Street and Connaught

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Avenue attended on the late Mr. Donovan. They were assured at that time that when these houses had served their function they would be removed and that satisfied the property owners. These people have all built substantially well constructed houses. The people take pride in their homes. What they are fearful of is this; that if the prefabricated houses come into home ownership they will be there for quite a while. The desirability of the locality will drop. I am further instructed to stress this point that the people are fully cognizant of the fact that the prefabricated houses are used to capacity at the present time. Their suggestion is that should the City acquire ownership of these houses the present tenants should be allowed to remain there until such time as the housing accommodation situation straightens itself out and then the houses be torn down and the land sold for the construction of a better type of housing on the land. A great many of these tenants are in no position to buy these places and a lot do not wish to buy them if they were able. So long as the City is the landlord the tenants are pretty well secure. Once it comes into private hands they would be subject to evictions. I do urge upon the Council that this is a proper matter to consider at this time. I represent pretty well the unanimous opinion of the people in the area that they have some rights. They built their houses certainly on the assumption that the locality would develop in keeping with their own locality. In the Mulgrave Park area the houses are to come down at some time. In the Ardmore district there might be some difference of opinion. They may be better constructed. It does appear to me that this type of accommodation was never intended to be a permanent type of accommodation. It should be understood that these houses are not to come into private ownership and should remain in the hands of the City. The lands and services are worth at least \$1,000.00 each. This is the time for the property owners to put their views on record. There have been petitions presented. I know you gentlemen will keep these views in mind. You would be rendering a service to the City. Thank you."

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Alderman Kitz: "Why should the City take them over at all?"

Mr. Cragg: "The point is this that the properties are now owned by the C. M. H. Corporation and that at any time they could throw them on the market. I could produce a client tomorrow who said he could make \$3,000,000.00 on the houses. I know that if the City does not buy them, this person will buy them. It is well for the City to buy them to protect themselves. You will keep the lands out of the hands of speculators."

Alderman Walker: "The Committee would not dare to pull these houses down. Some are falling down but some are worth their money."

City Assessor: "There was an undertaking with respect to the 21 houses. There was no undertaking in regard to any others."

Mr. Cragg: "It was certainly understood Mr. McManus."

City Assessor: "We had no control over these houses."

Mr. Cragg: "There was an assurance given to these people."

City Assessor: "The assurance was given to the 21."

Mr. Cragg: "If the City were to purchase these houses at \$1,000.00 each it could not suffer any loss. Anything accrued to the City by way of rentals would be so much to the good. If these houses were replaced by a better type of housing accommodation it would be at a higher rate of taxation."

Alderman Walker: "Its not the City's business to buy these houses and build cellars under them. You see what happened to the 3 of them in the north end. What happened there? I'll tell you. They dug the foundations on the wrong side of the street. They hired a man to put the foundations in. He put them in and he did a good job but there were no windows in the cellar. What happened then? The man came along with the house but there was no place to put the chassis in the foundation. The City did it and they are going to do the same thing I presume. There were no steps to get in. This is what is going on all the time. You say it is only going to cost a \$1,000.00 each. They are still a shack. Let the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation keep these houses. If you are going

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to spend \$2,000,000.00 do something good with it. You are putting these people out. It is ridiculous to buy these houses."

Alderman Vaughan: "We have listened to Mr. Craig and I believe he is correct when he says there is an undertaking between the City and the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation to have these houses removed after the war. We know it would be impossible to tear them down today. I am concerned with several aspects that have come up tonight. The making of these houses part of the City's operation of foundations and extending the program we will depend on the City Treasury of a large amount of money. The City is reaching a point where land is getting scarce and we are..."

Mayor: "I am sure that Alderman Vaughan's statement to be removed from the record."

There will be no record of this statement."

Alderman Burgess: "The City Council has not agreed to. It was agreed and we will honour our agreement with the people on Oxford Street. I understand that the agreement was with the other houses there at something like \$10,000.00. It was understood that after a year they were to be sold for \$15,000.00. Outside of the \$1 I don't see anything wrong with people wanting to buy. Perhaps that is all the matter. I know some of our people who have a cheaper house. Just because it doesn't cost for an extra thousand dollars is no reason to say that a man who purchases one is going to let it deteriorate. If we sell out a home into the hands of a person for \$5,000.00 I think we are doing him a favor. The matter that I want understood is the \$1 houses that we are selling are to be sold or shift from that neighborhood. The land is still worth the \$1,000.00 that we pay. The City does not to protect themselves. I do want to stress the agreement and to honor the agreement with the people living on Oxford Street adjoining the \$1 houses. They have to come down."

Alderman Brown: "The first reaction was that the City would have nothing to do with them. My views have been somewhat changed after such information brought forth since that time. I was about

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to support the purchase of them. I do think that the Council should know what the plans are in the future for these buildings. I would like to know if they are going to be for resale. It may be well to have the views inscribed in the minutes of Mr. Cragg. I feel these houses were to serve a specific purpose and then be demolished. I understand that is not so. My mind tells me that that matter was discussed. It surprises me that only 21 houses are tied up by an agreement. I would like to have some knowledge of how the houses are going to be handled after they are purchased. I am definitely against the City going into the Real Estate business. There may be some form of administration that I would be satisfied to go along with."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the matter be referred back to the Housing Accommodation Committee for further consideration and report.

Alderman Burgess: "I think they made a good report. I don't know anything else they could do."

His Worship the Mayor: "I am very keenly in favor of buying these houses and getting on with the job."

Alderman Kitz: "How many units does Mr. Cragg make reference to?"

City Assessor: "About 137."

The amendment was put and passed with Alderman DeWolf wishing to be recorded against.

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It was agreed that Item #55 "Building Permits" be now considered.

BUILDING PERMITS

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PERMIT APPLICATION

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on February 13th, the attached report of the Building Inspector dated February 10th, on applications for building permits other than dwellings was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

February 10th, 1950.

To His Worship the Mayor, Chairman
and Members of the Town Planning Board.

Gentlemen:-

The following applications have been received for building permits other than dwellings. None of the proposed erections, repairs or alterations conflict with the Master Plan according to the Town Planning Engineer. I therefore recommend that the Town Planning Board report to City Council that there is no conflict to the Master Plan so that authority for issuing the permits applied for may be granted.

47 Oxford St.-Federal Dept.of Public Works	-	New building.
35 Robie St.-Roman Catholic Episcopal Corp.	-	" "
130-132 Spring Garden Rd. - M. I. Zive	-	" "
421 Barrington St. - Zeller's Limited	-	Alterations
52 Quinpool Rd. - A. M. Marshall	-	"
5 Watt St. - Board of School Commissioners	-	"
415 Barrington St. - Wallace Bros.	-	Repairs
215 Agricola St. - Mrs. M. Davies	-	Alterations
164-166 Quinpool Rd. - W. H. Donovan Limited	-	"
6 Blowers St. - H. Offman	-	"
225 Gottingen St. - I. P. C. Store	-	Addition
464 Barrington St. - Bank of Toronto	-	Alterations
816 Robie Street - H. J. Hammond	-	New Building.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward C. Thomas,
Building Inspector.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the
above date recommended for approval the attached report from
the Building Inspector dated February 16, 1950 respecting
permit applications.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 16, 1950.

To His Worship the Mayor, Chairman
and Members of the Town Planning Board.

Gentlemen:-

The following applications have been received for
building permits other than dwellings. None of the proposed
erections, repairs or alterations conflict with the Master
Plan according to the Town Planning Engineer. I therefore
recommend that the Town Planning Board report to City Council
that there is no conflict to the Master Plan so that authority
for issuing the permits applied for may be granted.

61 Grafton Street - Halifax Herald Ltd. - New Building.
390 Barrington St. - Enterprise Stoves Ltd. - Alterations.
1-3 Lr. Water St. - N.S. Light & Power Co. - Alterations.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward C. Thomas,
BUILDING INSPECTOR.

Moved by Alderman Redmond, seconded by Alderman Mori-
arty that the reports be approved.

Alderman Burgess: "One permit was already here and
defeated last month. I don't see how it got back. I don't
think it has any right here."

Mr. E. C. Thomas: "This is a new application."

Alderman Burgess: "That is the same location as the
one here last month for a tavern."

Mr. Thomas: "That is right."

Alderman Burgess: "I don't see anything to be gained
by putting it under another heading. It may pass on the grounds
that it is for a building. After the permit is issued it will

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be for a tavern. I don't think it is fair to the man. I think it should be definitely defeated here tonight. It should not be slipped in with a bunch of others."

Mr. J. A. Walker, K. C. appeared on behalf of Mr. Hammond and addressed the Council as follows:

"This came up before the Council a month or so ago. The Council was under a misapprehension. Mr. Hammond made application to the Tavern Licensing Committee. That was advertised in the paper for 3 weeks as required by that particular Committee and a hearing was held. Only one man appeared there to oppose it. It was stated at the last Council meeting that there was a petition with 200 names on it. I have a photostatic copy of that petition and it has only 83 names on it. The application comes here merely as a Building Permit. You have a report from the Town Planning Board that it does not interfere with the Master Plan. We are all subject to the law and the law is that taverns are allowed in the City of Halifax. Once this is recommended as not being contrary to the Master Plan, then the Council must pass it. After all this applicant has some right. He has gone through the legal channels. He has applied for a permit and he has got it. He has plans and it is not contrary to the Master Plan."

Mr. Cole, a resident of the Northend, also spoke as follows: "I am prepared to correct him (Mr. Walker) relative to the Tavern Committee. I represent a big block of the north end of the City. It is true it was advertised and a petition presented. It is true that this gentleman is going to if he possibly can erect this building to put in a tavern. It is unfortunate that we could not get a delegation here. I respectfully request that if this building is put up, a veto be put up against it as we don't want a tavern in the north end."

Mr. Thomas: "At no time did I refuse a permit for a tavern. Council is only acting on a report from the Town Planning

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Board that this does not conflict with the Master Plan. It resolves itself into an occupancy permit. If it is refused the residents have a right to appeal. If Council authorizes me to issue this permit tonight, I will use my prerogative as Building Inspector and issue the permit for that tavern so that any person can have a hearing on the matter."

Alderman Abbott: "I spoke against this tavern in the City. It merely calls for the erection of a building. If he can assure me that when it is built it will not be used for a tavern then I will vote for it."

Alderman Burgess: "If we allow him to build the building then I will be approached and every other Alderman the same way. The only fair way is to vote it down and not bring it back again."

Alderman Walker: "He is asking for a permit for a building that does not interfere with the Master Plan. Who injected this about a tavern. We are going according to law. It doesn't matter to me what it is for."

Alderman Burgess: "I don't understand Aldermen from other Wards being concerned with Wards they don't represent. It is our Ward and we can take care of it Alderman Vaughan is against this. I want the question."

Alderman Vaughan referred to the Section of the Charter which dealt with inconveniences to the residents.

The Solicitor then read Section 885 A of the Charter for the information of Council.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the permit for #816 Robie Street be deleted and that the remainder of the reports be approved.

Alderman Kitz: "This is a tangled bit of procedure. Surely the application for a building permit should not stand by itself. I can come to the conclusion that Mr. Hammond's solicitor is correct. I can't see on what grounds a building permit would

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be refused. If you can later be turned down on the matter of occupancy it is a very unsatisfactory procedure. I wonder if our rules and regulations might not be amended that the occupancy permit for any building should go along with the application for the erection of the structure itself. He could operate a drug store for one day and then use it for a tavern."

City Solicitor: "Under the Zoning By-Laws we are working on those permits will come together."

The amendment was put and resulted in a tie vote as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Hosterman
Abbott
Adams
MacDonald
Burgess
Vaughan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Kitz
Redmond
Walker

- 6 -

His Worship the Mayor cast his vote in favor of the amendment and declared it passed.

EXCESS LAND ROBIE STREET

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 City Solicitor respecting the conveyance of land on Robie Street to various owners of properties adjacent thereto was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved and the deeds given to the various owners on the payment of the sum of \$1.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 13, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:

Sometime ago the City Council authorized the conveyance

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of excess land lying between the old western line of Robie Street and the new western line of Robie Street to the various owners of properties adjacent thereto.

The consideration was that the owners would pay the betterment charges for curb and gutter, pavement and sidewalk and the deeds were to be delivered when these charges were paid. I wish to point out that these charges would normally be assessed against these owners and they would be a lien against their property. Under the Charter the owners would have a period of five years to pay for these charges. The result would therefore be in some cases I might have to hold the deeds for a period of five years. In view of the fact that these charges are a lien on the property I would suggest that the deeds be given to the various owners immediately instead upon payment of these charges.

It this suggestion meets with your approval would you kindly recommend the same to Council.

Yours truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Per T. C. Doyle.

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

PAYMENT HALIFAX WELFARE BUREAU

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 the Commissioner of Health respecting the payment of the sum of \$4,823.18 to the Halifax Welfare Bureau for public assistance to December 31, 1949.

Your Committee recommends that the sum stated above be paid to the Halifax Welfare Bureau.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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PAYMENT TO PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 the Commissioner of Finance recommending the payment of an account of the Public Service Commission for the sum of \$2,941.17 representing deficits in connection with carrying charges for water extensions made during the years 1945 and 1946, which were guaranteed by the City.

Your Committee recommends that the account be paid from current surplus of previous years.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR LAND

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 it was agreed to recommend that the following properties be sold to Mr. Walter A. Andrews.

- (1) Lot corner of Veith & Hanover Streets, 80 x 102' for the sum of \$605.00.
- (2) Lot #1344 Barrington Street, 40 x 85' for the sum of \$260.00.
- (3) Lot e/s of Veith Street, 62' north of Hanover Street, 40 x 100' for the sum of \$360.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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CITY MANAGER

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 request from a Civic Affairs Committee that a plebiscite be held along with the forthcoming civic election for an expression of opinion on the "City Manager" plan of Government was considered.

It was agreed to forward the matter to Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Hosterman: "Having in mind the objections you Your Worship made at the Finance and Executive Committee and the possibility of confusing the issue at the Civic Elections, I am going to move that the request be concurred in and that the plebiscite be held in the month of October 1950 under the Plebiscite Act." The motion was seconded by Alderman Kitz.

Alderman Burgess: "Would it be possible to hold a meeting to discuss the City Manager? We may want an Executive Assistant or something else".

His Worship the Mayor: "It will be cleared. This is just a general agreement".

The motion was then put and passed.

COURSE TRAFFIC SIGNAL MAINTENANCE

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 the City Electrician recommending that Mr. Peek of the Fire Alarm Telegraph Department be authorized to attend a course of instruction on Traffic Actuated Signal Lights and Fire Alarm Equipment at Belleville, Ontario and granted the sum of \$50.00 to defray incidental expenses.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

LIBRARY

Halifax, N. S.,
February 16, 1950.

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 it was agreed to make the following recommendations respecting the Library.

1. That the present Library be closed.
2. That all books etc., be moved to the Bellevue Building where quarters have been made available without charge.
3. That the Memorial Public Library Committee be authorized to advertise for the staff considered necessary.
4. That the following salaries be approved:

"A"	Chief Cataloguer	\$2,500.00
"B"	Cataloguer	2,200.00
"C"	Chief Children's Librarian	2,500.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

LICENSING OF TAVERNS

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 licensing Taverns was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that legislation be obtained enabling the City to tax by License all Taverns in the City, the sum of \$200.00 per year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Moved by Alderman Hostrerman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't think it is sound to accept \$3,000.00 from a business when it is receiving revenue. You are going to sell out tonight for \$3,000.00".

Alderman DeWolf: "Our privilege is shut out by the Dominion-Provincial Act that we can only charge \$250.00. I suggested 2¢ on a glass and that will amount to considerable money as revenue to the City".

Moved in amendment by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration. Amendment passed.

VOTING

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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 brief from the Halifax Club of Business & Professional Women requesting that legislation be sought to amend the City Charter so as to grant the right to vote at Civic Elections to the husband or wife of any tax payer was considered.

It was felt that the request should be agreed to in principle and your Committee recommends that a committee consisting of the City Solicitor, City Assessor, Commissioner of Finance and City Collector be appointed to consider the matter and report at an early date.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SALARIES CHIEF AND DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE

Halifax, N. S.,
February 14, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

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At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the matter of salaries for the Chief of Police and the Deputy Chief of Police were considered.

It was agreed to recommend:

(1) That the Chief of Police be paid at the rate of \$4,100.00 for the year 1950.

(2) That the Deputy Chief of Police be paid at the rate of \$3,500.00 for the year 1950.

Both the above to be effective as from the date of appointment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

JOB SPECIFICATIONS AND SALARIES

Read letter from His Worship the Mayor as follows:

February 16, 1950.

Members Finance & Executive Committee,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Gentlemen:-

When discussing the Salary Scale at the meeting of the Council as a Committee of the Whole, the question arose if it would not be more advisable to set up job specifications and create a normal establishment of employees of the City of Halifax.

After due consideration of the matter, I am now forwarding to you a request that the Department Heads with the Mayor and Deputy Mayor as co-chairman, be set up as a committee to write the job specifications for all in the employ of the City, and to create a normal establishment of civic employees and salary brackets within the specifications.

I have consulted with Mr. C. F. Fraser in charge of the Institute of Public Affairs at Dalhousie University, and he has agreed to loan to the City without charge the services of Mr. McVittie to give expert technical advice as required by the committee.

I ask your authority now to proceed with this committee with a view to expediting the work and having the whole matter finalized in sufficient time to connect it up with the Pension scheme about to be offered and have the whole thing in operation as of January 1, 1951.

Yours very truly,

Gordon S. Kinley,
M A Y O R.

Alderman Vaughan: "Could I have Mr. McVittie's qualifications in municipal work and those of a Technical Advisor?"

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His Worship the Mayor: "I think they will meet our requirements."

Alderman Burgess: "Would it be wise to add the sub-heads to the Committee?"

His Worship the Mayor: "We are dealing with Department Heads only under the City Charter. I presume the Heads will consult with the sub-heads."

Alderman Vaughan: "This is just the thing I have been trying to stop in City Hall if possible. It was agreed at the last meeting of the Committee of the Whole to bring in an outside consultant. I want to say this that there is a body now functioning in the Province of Ontario who do this work; it is the Citizens Research Institute. These people are specialists in the field rather than experts. We would be well advised to spend a nominal sum to secure the services of this Institute to have a complete and comprehensive survey of City Hall. All we are going to do is to perpetuate the same establishment. I did hope that we would get a working establishment that would stand for years with certain modifications. I would suggest that we bring in the Citizens Research Institute."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the Citizens Research Institute be contacted to find out their fees for making a survey of the personnel of the City of Halifax.

Alderman Vaughan: "It should not be who the person is; it should be a question of what is that job worth and how many grades to be made. That is what I want."

Alderman Walker: "You want to know how many are employed in the Departments. It is up to you Mr. Mayor to find out how many there are and what they are doing and what they are paid. They are pushing them in. You see faces around you don't know. Where are the others? Are they being kept under the counter to be railroaded through?"

The motion was put and passed.

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His Worship the Mayor asked Alderman Vaughan if he were agreeable to the setting up of the Committee of Department Heads to which the Alderman agreed.

USE OF CITY CREST

Halifax, N. S.,
February 16, 1950.

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 a request from the Halifax Press Club for permission to use the Halifax City Crest on their stationery for a further period of one year.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

CATHEDRAL BARRACKS

Halifax, N. S.,
February 16, 1950.

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 respecting the disposal of buildings at Cathedral Barracks was considered.

It was decided to recommend that no action be taken until the present lease expires during the month of October 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SPECIAL EQUIPMENT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
February 16, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

WHEREAS by section 8 of Chapter 6 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia 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 of money as the Council thereof deems necessary for the purpose of **equipping a police department or acquiring or purchasing apparatus, machinery, implements and equipment for any such department.**

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 **Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00)** for the purpose of **purchasing Fire Arms for the Police Department.**

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding **Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00)** 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 **Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00)**

as may be necessary for the purposes 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 **Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00)** for the purposes 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 **Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00)**.

THAT the issue of said debentures be postponed and that the said City do under and by virtue of the provisions of section 318B of the Halifax City Charter of 1931 borrow from **the General Current Account** a sum or sums of money not exceeding **Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00)**.

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

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the resolution of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly passed at a **Regular** meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the **16th** day of **February, A.D. 1950.**

GIVEN under the hands of the Mayor and City Clerk and under the corporate seal of the said City this **16th** day of **February, A.D. 1950.**

Mayor

H. P. Publicover

City Clerk

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The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Safety Committee recommending that the sum of Six Thousand Dollars be provided for the purpose of purchasing special equipment for the Police Department.

Your Committee recommends that application be made to the Department of Municipal Affairs for authority to borrow the said sum.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

A Borrowing Resolution was submitted amounting to \$6,000.00 covering the above matter and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

TENDERS SURGICAL SUPPLIES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 16, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending that a tender of J. F. Hartz & Co., Ltd., offering to supply syringes, needles and surgical supplies to the Tuberculosis Hospital be approved.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
February 8, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

CITY HOME

1. J. & M. Murphy Ltd.	\$ 326.45
2. J. A. Leaman & Co., Ltd.	1,444.11
3. Howard's Ltd.	877.44

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

1. J. A. Moulton	1,190.10
2. Howard's Ltd.	450.90
3. Parke, Davis & Co., Ltd.	567.02
4. J. A. Leaman & Co., Ltd.	829.26
5. Howard's Ltd.	855.66
6. Merck & Co., Ltd.	710.00
7. J. A. Leaman & Co., Ltd.	1,716.50

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR FISH

Halifax, N. S.,
February 8, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date tenders for the supply of fish to City Hospitals were submitted from the following:

Boutilier's Ltd.
Burns Fisheries Ltd.

Your Committee recommends that the tender of Boutilier's Limited be approved for a period of six months from February 20, 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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TENDERS FOR GROCERIES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 8, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date tenders for the supply of groceries to the City Home and City Prison were submitted as follows:

Howard's Limited	\$7,401.76
R. B. Seeton & Co., Ltd.	7,432.57
John Tobin & Co., Ltd.	7,628.79
Scotia Flour & Feed Co., Ltd.	7,649.66

Your Committee recommends that the lowest tender be approved for a period of three months.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SALARIES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 8, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date it was agreed to recommend that provision be made for a salary of \$1,800.00 per year, plus cost of living bonus, for a Female Welfare Worker and that the Night Maids at the Tuberculosis Hospital be paid at the rate of \$40.00 per month as from January 1, 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

CLERK POLICE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
February 9, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

February 16, 1950.

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the Chief of Police advised that the work done by the Secretary and the Summoning Officer had grown to such proportions that they were unable to cope with it. He therefore recommended that an extra clerk with stenographic qualifications be appointed to the Dept.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Chief of Police that the strength of the Police Department be increased from 125 to 126.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS UNIFORM CLOTHING FIRE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
February 16, 1950.

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 were considered for the supply of uniform clothing for the members of the Fire Department.

Your Committee recommends that the following tenders be approved:

Clayton & Sons Ltd.

2 pc. uniforms Cloth #9040	●	\$35.75 each
Pants only " # "	●	\$11.30 "
Overcoats " #3031	●	\$27.80 "

All goods to be identical in quality and color to the samples submitted.

Gordon B. Isnor

Tooke's Transport Shirts	●	\$3.50 each
As per sample submitted		

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

QUESTIONS

Alderman Kitz requested the Commissioner of Works to investigate the possibility of using the snow blower in Point Pleasant Park for pedestrians. Mr. Woods agreed to this.

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INTERMENT CHARGES

Alderman Burgess stated that he knew of a family that was charged \$30.00 instead of \$15.00 for interment on a Saturday. He felt that that was no time to put extra troubles on people.

The matter was referred to the Finance and Executive Committee.

RENOVATIONS FORUM

Alderman Vaughan: "I would like to ask the Chairman of the Forum Commission a question. Did you call for tenders on the alterations for the cattle shed; renovations to the floor?"

Alderman DeWolf: "No, We did not. We asked for prices on the floor, for an asphalt floor. It was too late in the season to have an asphalt floor because the plants were closed up. We took a tender from the Standard Paving Company for concrete which was cheaper than certain types of asphalt. We did that for this reason. The City Council did not allow or make provision for borrowing for this floor. The firm had a low price and were willing to carry that as long as the Forum Commission wished".

Alderman Burgess: "The Forum Commission applied for permission to borrow money to make a repair job; it was turned down. I understand the job is going on. I don't know of any law allowing any major repair job to go on without going to the Department of Municipal Affairs. They did not heed the wish of the Council and they went on with the work".

Alderman DeWolf: "we wrote to every sprinkler Company in Montreal and we asked for tenders. The only one we got was from the Automatic Sprinkler Company and we accepted that".

He then submitted minutes of the Council Meeting held on November 17, 1949 which were read by the City Clerk and contained a motion "that Council confirm the permission already given to the Forum Commission to deal with the properties at the Forum".

Alderman Burgess: "I don't remember that passing. There was no vote taken on it".

Alderman DeWolf: "Those are the minutes".

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Alderman Burgess: "I did not hear it".

His Worship the Mayor: "That is the record".

Alderman Burgess: "Did the Forum Commission enter into a contract with Simpson's?"

Alderman DeWolf: "Yes".

Alderman Burgess: "Were the specifications drawn up by an Engineer on the repair work or did you just bring someone in. The conversion of the Cattle Shed into a Storage Building?"

Alderman DeWolf: "The sprinkler system was put in. There was a wall at the South end of the building that was in bad shape. There were no specifications drawn. The cost of the wall was \$375.00. It was a plain wall. There was some heating to be done and as no specifications could be given for the type of heating that was to be effected, it was only a case of putting in heaters that had already been there, getting them back and carrying the heating to these unit heaters so we gave the contract without price. Nobody could tell us what was to be done until they were examined".

Alderman Burgess: "I have been approached by contractors who carry a large number of men and they were not given the work. They would be willing to tender and take it at a reasonable figure in order to carry their men over the lean period".

Alderman DeWolf: "Just what phase of the contract did you suggest?"

Alderman Burgess: "The flooring".

Alderman DeWolf: "Would they carry it for a year?"

Alderman Burgess: "I don't know".

Alderman DeWolf: "It was for us to carry out the work and Council would not advance the money and we had to get it that way".

Alderman Burgess: "The Council was concerned with the loss of the building and that it was not being used for what it was intended for. It was in competition with those in the storage business".

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Alderman DeWolf: "What did Alderman Burgess propose while he was on the Commission for the use of that building and what would he do?"

Alderman Burgess: "Complete the bow at the end of the Forum".

Alderman DeWolf: "There has not been a sufficient number of patrons in the Forum for any more space than we presently have. If at a later date it is required there is still sufficient room to increase the size of the Forum".

Alderman Walker: "Where is the money coming from? Are they doing the work for nothing? Why haven't we had the minutes of what is going on at the Forum? We would know how to act".

Alderman DeWolf: "The Forum Commission is being run for the City of Halifax in the best interests that I know of and for the use of the citizens of Halifax. That is the intention of the Forum Commission to put that Forum to the best use so that the people may enjoy it and also to run it as economical as possible".

Alderman Kitz: "What rents do you get?"

Alderman DeWolf: "\$15,000.00 from Simpson's and \$8,400.00 from the Grand Stand".

Alderman Walker: "What's going on? I want to be able to tell the tax payers".

His Worship the Mayor: "Tell the tax payers that we are putting \$25,000.00 from the Forum this year against the tax bill".

CONTINGENT ACCOUNT

Alderman Walker: "I would like you Your Worship to ask the Commissioner of Finance to supply me with a copy of the Mayor's Contingent Account up to date".

His Worship the Mayor: "You may have it tomorrow".

ACCOUNT TAX EXPERT

Alderman Walker: "Is the bill for the expert that you employed about the 4% Sales Tax in yet?"

His Worship the Mayor: "That went through Council. Read your Council minutes".

February 16, 1950.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

February 11, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The following accounts amounting to more than \$500.00 were approved by the Committee on Works on February 7, 1950 and recommended to City Council for payment:

Citadel Motors Ltd.	\$ 571.46
Canadian General Electric Company	1104.48
City Prison	996.30
Municipal Spraying & Contracting Ltd.	1129.00
Burns Fisheries Ltd.	1650.00
Halifax Forum	2518.43

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

FINAL CERTIFICATES

February 15, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Final Certificates payable to the Standard Paving Maritime Limited amounting to \$19,106.42 on contract for sewer extensions, and Walker and Hall amounting to \$41,368.79 on contract for sidewalks, curbs and gutters were approved by the Committee on Works on February 13, 1950 and recommended to City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CLAIM OF A. S. TANNER

February 11, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

February 16, 1950.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on February 7, 1950 considered a claim for \$18.40 from Mr. A. S. Tanner for damage to the windshield of his car when struck by the handle of a scoop used by a workman while cleaning out a catchpit.

The Committee recommended to the City Council that this claim be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

STREET LIGHTING

A report was submitted from the Committee on Works recommending that 4 - 250 C.P. lights be installed on Deal Street and that the old street light fixtures formerly on North Street be installed on this street with new glasswear and reflectors. Also a light be installed at the Corner of Harris and Maynard Streets.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the lights as recommended be installed. Motion passed.

TREE PLANTING

February 11, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 7, 1950, the attached report of the Deputy Commissioner of Works was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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

February 3, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman
and Members Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

February 16, 1950.

Last fall a notice was inserted in the local papers stating that the City would consider petitions for the planting of trees in 1950.

Requests were received from the following:-

5 Armcrescent East
99 Connaught Avenue South
Yale Street
Mulgrave Park School
Dublin Street - West Side - Edinburgh to London Sts.
Summit Street - Gladstone to Windsor Street.

Mr. Power, Superintendent of the Public Gardens, was requested to go over the City and he has submitted a list which is showing not only the streets petitioned for but others that have at present curb and gutter and sidewalk.

This list shows streets in various parts of the City and make a total of five hundred and twenty-five (525) trees at an estimated cost of \$2,100.00; the cost of which is all recoverable from the property owners, who are assessed at the rate of \$4.00 per tree.

It is recommended that these streets be ordered for tree planting this Spring and that later on another list will be submitted for an additional five hundred (500) trees or more to be planted if required next fall.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman MacDonald requested that Kline Street be included in the tree list.

Mr. Woods stated that he would see what he could do about it.

The Ornamental Tree List for 1949 was submitted and ordered filed.

UNDERGROUND CABLE

February 11, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 7, 1950, the attached report from the Acting Commissioner of Works on an application from the Canadian Pacific Railway Company to install an underground cable on the Eastern Side of Windsor St., at the intersection of Young Street, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

February 16, 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDER W. A. ANDREWS

January 19, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the 17th
instant, an offer of \$25.00 from Mr. W. A. Andrews for the purchase
of a building at the Corner of Dartmouth Avenue and Gottingen St.,
was considered.

On motion of Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman
Abbott the Committee accepted the tender subject to prompt removal
of the building and recommended same to the City Council for
approval.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SIDEWALK OPENING #452 BARRINGTON STREET

January 27, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on
January 24, 1950, the attached report of the Acting Commissioner
of Works, dated January 20, 1950, on an application from Mr. Simon
for an opening in the sidewalk for the purpose of supplying fuel
oil to his heating plant in front of his property, 452-454 Barr-
ington Street, was considered.

On motion of Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman
Redmond the Committee approved the report and recommended same to
City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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

February 16, 1950.

January 20, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and Members
of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

Herewith attached is an application from Mr. Simon for an opening in our sidewalk for the purpose of supplying fuel oil to his heating plant in front of his property 452-454 Barrington St.

I recommend permission be granted to Mr. Simon to have this opening constructed in accordance with our Charter, Section 538, and that the work be done under the supervision of the Works Department and the usual agreement be entered into; also that the minimum rent of \$5.00 per year be charged.

Respectfully submitted,

F. C. Woods,
Acting Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

STAINED GLASS WINDOW

January 27, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on January 24, 1950 further consideration was given to a request from Mr. Forbes Thrasher that a stained glass window, now at the City Field, showing the Coat of Arms of the Second Creation of the Earls of Halifax, be given to the Lord Nelson Hotel to be hung in the Coffee Shop.

On motion of Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Redmond, the Committee recommended to City Council that this window be loaned to Mr. Thrasher for this purpose and to be returned to the City at any time requested, window to be marked as having been loaned by the City of Halifax.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SEWER EXTENSION NEWTON AVENUE

February 15, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

February 16, 1950.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 7th the attached report of the Acting Commissioner of Works of same date, on an application for sewer facilities for two lots on the Eastern Side of Newton Avenue, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

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

February 13, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman,
and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

An application has been received requesting Sewer facilities for two lots on the eastern side of Newton Avenue, immediately south of Chebucto Road.

The length of the sewer required is about ninety (90') feet; the estimated cost is \$600.00 and the estimated assessment about \$175.00.

It is therefore recommended that this sewer extension be ordered and thus provide sewer facilities for the two lots requested.

Respectfully submitted,

F. C. Woods,
Acting Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

DAMAGE TO WELL NUMFORD ROAD

February 15, 1950.

His worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 13th, the attached report of the Acting Commissioner of Works of the same date, estimating the damage at \$425.00 was considered.

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan the Committee recommended to City Council that an offer of \$350.00 be made, without prejudice, to Mr. D. H. Isner in settlement of this claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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

February 16, 1950.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved.

City Solicitor: "The Committee recommended \$350.00. It is not final yet but I think a settlement might be made for \$375.00 and if you would authorize me to negotiate, I will try to settle it".

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the City Solicitor be authorized to negotiate to settle the claim at \$375.00. Amendment passed.

ILLUMINATED SIGNS

A report was submitted from the Committee on Works recommending that permits be granted for the following Illuminated Signs:

39 Blowers St. - Archibald Coal Co.....	\$ 5.00
218 Spring Garden Rd. - Imperial Tobacco Sales Co. of Canada Ltd.....	9.00
6 Blowers St. - Fashion Fur Shoppe.....	7.35
566 Barrington St. - Gaiety Theatre.....	11.90
170 Chebucto Rd. - MacIntosh Taxi.....	5.00
209 Windsor St. - Windsor Sweets.....	5.00
413 Gottingen St. - Sterling Sales.....	5.00
354 Gottingen St. - J. W. Neville.....	5.00
35 Grafton St. - Provincial Motors Ltd.....	5.00

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the permits be granted. Motion passed.

FENCE VIEWER

February 15, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 13th, the attached report of the Building Inspector of the same date, recommending that Mr. Harry Hoskin residing at #16 George Dauphinee Avenue be appointed a Fence Viewer for Ward 6 was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

February 16, 1950.

LAYING OF SEWER IN STREET

February 15, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 13th, the attached report from the City Solicitor dated February 4th, in regard to charges for laying a sewer in a street was again considered.

On motion of Alderman DeWolf the Committee recommended to City Council that assessments be charged at the regular rate based on the number of feet frontage, and that the matter be referred to the City Solicitor to draft and submit legislation.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

STREET LINES BRUNSWICK STREET

February 10, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on February 7th, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer dated February 6th, recommending removal of the old street lines for Brunswick Street Extension was considered.

The Board approved the report and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved and Council fix Thursday, March 16, 1950 in the Council Chamber, City Hall at 8.00 P. M. as the time and place for the hearing on the removal of these street lines. Motion passed.

February 16, 1950.

STREET LINES COGSWELL STREET

February 10, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on February 7th, the attached report of the Town Planning Engineer dated February 6th, was considered.

The Board approved the report and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

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

February 6, 1950.

Commissioner of Works.

Dear Sir:-

I can see no reason why the new street line as suggested on the attached plan would not be satisfactory. The intersection between Cogswell St. and Brunswick St. is amply wide, especially having in view that we may some time obtain an additional 10 feet on the north side. The widening of Brunswick Street that would result from the new location of the line would, in my opinion, be a good thing.

In my opinion, this new suggested line would not in any way interfere with our proposed north diagonal street.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Philip Dumaresq.,
Town Planning Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved and Council fix Thursday, March 16, 1950 in the Council Chamber, City Hall at 8.00 P. M. as the time and place for the hearing of the alteration of these street lines.
Motion passed.

BLINK BONNIE SUBDIVISION

February 15, 1950.

ALTERING LOTS 23 AND 31 OF THE BLINK
BONNIE SUBDIVISION

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

February 16, 1950.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on February 13, 1950, the attached plan No. 00-2-11129, of Blink Bonnie Sub-division, recommended by the Town Planning Engineer, was presented.

As no objections to the said Plan were registered, the Board approved the Plan and recommended same to City Council for approval of the necessary By-Laws in connection with the same.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved and the By-Laws forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs for approval. Motion passed.

STORE #93 CUNARD STREET

February 15, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on February 13th, the attached report of the Town Planning Engineer dated February 7th, re moving a store from #91 to #93 Cunard St. was approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

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

February 7, 1950.

Town Planning Board.

Gentlemen:-

On February 13th, 1947 Council approved an application to rent a store at 91 Cunard St. by Mr. J. H. Morris, mainly on the grounds that he was a cripple and had no other means of livelihood.

Since that time Mr. Morris has sold the business to Mr. Helpard who has been running it ever since.

I can see no objection to this store being moved from 91 to 93 Cunard Street, provided no store continues at 91 Cunard St.

Respectfully submitted,

J. Philip Dumaresq.,
Town Planning Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

February 16, 1950.

TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF JANUARY

Civic Year	Reserves	O/S Bal Dec. 31/49.	New Accounts and Adjust- ments	January Collect- ions.	O/S Bal. Jan. 31/50.
1947	\$48,664.82	\$ 66,314.26	\$ Cr. 323.04	\$ 4,548.48	\$ 61,442.74
1948	59,140.64	163,382.84	Cr. 87.55	8,395.48	154,899.81
1949	70,011.25	386,318.29	Dr. 18,552.06	37,483.71	367,386.64
		\$616,015.39	\$ Dr. 18,141.47	\$50,427.67	\$ 583,729.19

POLL TAXES

1943-44	22,949.03			60.65	22,888.38
1944-45	3,807.31			78.53	3,728.78
1949	3,476.12		Dr. 11.26	1,763.86	1,723.52

Additional Collections:

	<u>1950</u>	<u>1949</u>
Arrears 1925-26 to 1946	1,096.89	
Corresponding Period Last Year		3,591.55
Collections as per statement above	50,427.67	
Corresponding Period last year		33,302.10
	<u>\$51,524.56</u>	<u>\$36,893.65</u>

Collections Poll Tax Jan. 1st to 31st 1950	\$4,159.08	
Corresponding Period last year		<u>\$3,370.05</u>

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald,
Chief Accountant.

FILED

February 16, 1950.

HALIFAX ATHLETIC COMMISSION

Alderman Moriarty reported that the Halifax Athletic Commission would be able to hand over a cheque amounting to \$3,500.00 to the City after the year's operation.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
February 10, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

Union Coal Co., Ltd.....\$3,436.94
C. S. Barkhouse..... 588.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Meeting adjourned.

10.45 P. M.

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Gordon S. Kinley,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.


W. P. PUBLICOVER,
CITY CLERK.

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
February 21, 1950,
4:00 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 DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Letter City Solicitor re Trolley Coach System.
2. Report Special Committee re Recreation.
3. Report Housing Accommodation Committee re Prefabricated Houses.

It was agreed that Item #3 be now considered.

PREFABRICATED HOUSES

Read report from the Housing Accommodation Committee as follows:

February 21, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on the 20th instant, further consideration was given to the matter of purchasing and disposition of the 787 prefabricated houses.

Messrs. E. T. Cragg, Barrister, Harry W. Butler and George Rundle spoke on behalf of a delegation from the residents of Oxford Street and other streets in the area where some of the houses are located. The Committee was of the opinion that the City should purchase the houses but that eighty-eight (88) in the block bounded by Oxford, Summit, Connolly and Edinburgh Streets should not be sold but retained by the City on a rental basis and, when the housing situation becomes less acute, the houses removed and the land sold in order to have other houses erected thereon. The twenty-one (21) houses which the City has undertaken will not be sold are included in the eighty-eight mentioned above.

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After considerable discussion, your Committee now recommends:-

1. That the City purchase the houses from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation at the price of \$1,000.00 each.
2. That the houses in the Mulgrave Park area shall not be sold. In respect to the other houses, they may be sold but prior to the sale, the Committee will produce plans in accordance with good town planning principles and any person or group of persons in any area would have the privilege of appearing before the Committee and expressing their views.
3. That all the properties be assessed on the regular City Assessment and taxed on that sum, and that the rents be adjusted accordingly so that these rentals be no longer subsidized by the City of Halifax.
4. That the operation and management of the houses be left with the Housing Accommodation Committee.
5. That where legislation is required to carry out any of the foregoing recommendations, the same be obtained at the next session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. McManus,
CHAIRMAN.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the City of Halifax purchase from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation Seven Hundred and Eighty-seven (787) prefabricated houses at a price of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) each; that the houses in the Mulgrave Park area and the twenty-one (21) houses adjacent to Oxford Street to the west not be sold by the City but retained by it and rented to the present or such other tenants as the City decides until such time as these houses are not needed for housing purposes. The balance of the Seven Hundred and eighty-seven (787) prefabricated houses are not to be sold by the City until the wishes of the property owners in the areas concerned be first ascertained and in the meantime that they be rented to the present or such other tenants as the City decides.

Alderman Burgess: "The main issue is for the City to purchase the houses. We should get them to protect the City and what we do with them will come later."

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Alderman Hosterman: "The houses not to be sold would be the 88 and that includes the 21; that still stands. I would like to know if that is satisfactory to those who appeared before Council and spoke against the houses?"

Mr. E. F. Cragg: "So far as the people are concerned the present motion before the Council is perfectly satisfactory to them. They wish in no way to tie up the hands of the Council and I don't think Alderman Vaughan's amendment does tie it up. As far as the balance of the houses are concerned, it leaves the City free to deal with it."

Alderman Hosterman: "Our own Housing Committee is supposed to administer these houses. I am definitely against it. We should deal with someone in the business and not start a real estate business here."

His Worship the Mayor: "They are to remain with the Housing Accommodation Committee until some other arrangement is made."

Alderman Hosterman: "That is right. That can be left for a later date."

Alderman DeWolf: "The wishes of the people are to be ascertained. After they are just what would be the action supposing half wanted them to be sold and the other half didn't?"

City Assessor: "The delegation was concerned with 88 houses. The 88 was included in the remaining houses excepting Mulgrave Park. We felt that if a delegation came from some other area that they should have the same privilege."

4:15 P. M. Alderman Kitz arrives.

Alderman Vaughan: "The houses are to be placed on the regular tax rolls."

Alderman Hosterman: "I would suggest that the following be added to the amendment 'that within 30 days after the houses have been purchased that arrangements be made as to how they will be handled.'"

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Alderman Vaughan: "I agree to that."

The amendment was then put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

TROLLEY COACH SYSTEM

Halifax, N. S.,
February 21, 1950.

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 the City Solicitor advising that an application is being made by the Nova Scotia Light & Power Company Limited to the Public Utilities Board for the purpose of determining certain matters provided by clause 8 of the agreement between the City and the Company respecting the installation of the Trolley Coach System.

Your Committee recommends that the City Solicitor be instructed to represent the Corporation of the City of Halifax at this hearing and authorized to engage such experts as he may deem necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

RECREATION REPORT

A joint report of the Recreation Committee and Halifax Playgrounds Commission was submitted.

Copies of the same were furnished the members of Council for their information.

His Worship the Mayor: "The report meets with the general provisions of the Master Plan laid down some years ago. There is an opinion in the City that the operation of Point Pleasant Park, Public Gardens and Fleming Park are of such high calibre that it may be a mistake to include them in this report. I would like Council to adopt the report and if they want to delete these parts they can later on."

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Alderman Hosterman: "I quite agree that these projects you mention should be deleted from the report. I wonder if that would not react into these Committees. There might be some changes. I am not altogether in agreement with the Commission as set forth on Page 4. That matter could very well be looked into. You are taking out Point Pleasant Park, Fleming Park and the Gardens."

Moved by Alderman Hosterman that the personnel of that Commission be changed.

There was no seconder to this motion.

Alderman Burgess: "The Recreation Committee and the Playgrounds Commission are the same and it would be wise to have these other 3 items separated."

Alderman Vaughan: "Still remaining in the report is Victoria Park, Fort Needham Park and the Hydrostone Park. That comes under the Works Department. Are we going to merge?"

Alderman Breen: "The request was the merging of recreation. As I see it now I am not in favor of a Commission form of Government. They spend the money and we have to find it. I am against Committees with 15 people. I would like to see this go to the Finance and Executive Committee because I have some views on the matter and so have other Aldermen."

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Kitz that this matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration and report. Motion passed.

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

Meeting adjourned.

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AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
February 28, 1950,
5:00 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 DeWolf, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

The meeting was called specially to consider the Estimates for the Civic Year 1950.

ESTIMATES CIVIC YEAR 1950

Estimates for the Civic Year 1950 were submitted amounting to \$5,012,955.09 showing an increase of \$519,024.93 over the previous year.

Copies of the Estimates were furnished the members of Council previous to the meeting.

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

Halifax, N. S.,
February 28, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee has held several meetings to consider the estimates for the Civic Year 1950 and after various deletions has finally decided to recommend to Council that the estimates as attached hereto showing a total of \$5,012,955.09 be approved.

Your Committee also recommends that the attached resolutions be approved and any legislation necessary be obtained at the next session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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CITY OF HALIFAX

ESTIMATES FOR CIVIC YEAR 1950

ESTIMATES OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE
CIVIC YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1950

DEPARTMENT	1950	Increase	Decrease	1949
Local Government:				
Superannuation	\$ 87,749.93	\$ 2,199.52		\$ 85,550.41
City Property	100,792.60	45,675.00		55,117.60
Miscellaneous	93,300.00	46,650.00		52,650.00
Legislative Salaries	16,838.00			16,838.00
Administrative Salaries	199,712.65	5,161.07		194,551.58
Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	70,000.00			70,000.00
Salary Adjustments	50,000.00	50,000.00		
Protection of Persons and Property:				
Police Department	340,493.35	11,935.00		328,558.35
City Prison	48,056.16	578.86		47,477.30
Works Department	80,033.94	11,318.34		68,715.60
Fire Department	347,673.43	8,398.20		339,275.23
Fire Alarm	25,428.11	1,135.00		24,293.11
Jury List	200.00			200.00
Courts Salaries	12,305.76	2,938.66		9,367.10
Public Works				
Works Department	371,320.93	100,412.27		270,908.66
Sanitation & Waste Removal:				
Works Department	308,956.00		149.00	309,105.00
Conservation of Health:				
Health Board	140,964.76	1,226.27		139,738.49
Education				
Municipal School Fund	99,540.06			99,540.06
School Board	1,651,783.45	189,871.35		1,461,912.10
Recreation & Community Service:				
Leisure Park	10,662.00	1,343.00		9,319.00
Public Gardens	44,519.78	6,189.78		38,330.00
Point Pleasant Park	17,047.00	2,047.00		15,000.00
Public Library	25,000.00	17,576.00		7,424.00
Playgrounds Dalhousie etc.	29,500.00	3,000.00		26,500.00
Market & Public Baths	6,200.00	25.00		6,175.00
Recreation Committee	25,491.33	5,133.00		20,358.33
Public Welfare				
City Home	131,615.00	20,246.81		111,368.19
Tuberculosis Hospital	171,071.67	22,532.38		148,539.29
Infectious Disease Hospital	38,651.00		2,740.00	41,391.00
Victoria General Hospital	76,200.00			76,200.00

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	1950	Increase	Decrease	1949
CITY OF HALIFAX				
Government				
Hospital Grants	\$ 9,500.00			9,500.00
Charitable Grants	12,950.00	500.00		12,450.00
Child Welfare	69,250.00			69,250.00
Welfare Department	51,163.66	16,889.00		34,274.66
Medical Examiners Fees	2,500.00	1,500.00		1,000.00
Debt Charges:				
Interest on Consolidated Fund 1880	26,250.00			26,250.00
Interest on Consolidated Fund 1905	332,995.38			332,995.38
Banking Fund Requirements	22,968.40			22,968.40
Interest & Installments on Serial Debentures	433,303.95	8,523.63		424,780.32
Discount on Taxes	126,600.00	29,600.00		97,000.00
Capital Levy for Utilities, Cemeteries:				
Fairview Cemetery	16,950.00			16,950.00
Public Service Commission, etc.	8,005.00	5,430.00		2,575.00
Joint Estimates				
County of Halifax	44,063.94	3,089.61		40,974.33
	<u>5,783,607.24</u>	<u>621,124.75</u>	<u>2,889.00</u>	<u>5,165,371.49</u>
Less Estimated Income	<u>695,652.15</u>		<u>99,210.82</u>	<u>596,441.33</u>
	5,087,955.09	621,124.75	102,099.82	4,568,930.16
Less Estimated Poll Tax	<u>75,000.00</u>			<u>75,000.00</u>
Civic Year 1950	5,012,955.09	621,124.75	102,099.82	4,493,930.16
Previous Year	<u>4,493,930.16</u>	<u>102,099.82</u>		
INCREASE	<u>\$ 519,024.93</u>	<u>\$519,024.93</u>		

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report and estimates as submitted be approved.

Read letter from the Commissioner of Finance as follows:

February 28, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:

With reference to the Estimates for the civic year 1950 it is the recommendation of the Finance and Executive Committee held February 27, 1950 that an amount of \$480,000. be appropriated from

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the Current Surplus Account under Chapter 73, Section 2, paragraph 2 of the Acts of 1945 and that an amount of \$260,000. be appropriated from the Post War Rehabilitation Fund and that these amounts be applied to the Estimates for 1950. It will be necessary to obtain legislation to approve of this transaction of \$260,000. from the Post War Fund.

When the 1949 Budget was approved on February 28th, 1949 an amount of \$181,379.77 was appropriated from the Post War Fund and carried into the Estimates of that year. Through a misunderstanding this item was not submitted to the local Legislature for its approval in 1949 but as it forms part of our operations for the civic year 1949, legislation should be obtained at this time ratifying this transfer.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

5:05 P. M. The Deputy Mayor assumes the Chair while His Worship the Mayor addresses the Council from the floor: "I want to thank Council for all the assistance the members gave and especially I want to pass on a word of thanks to the Finance and Executive Committee who labored for two days nearly 6 hours a day and dealt with these estimates item by item. The estimates speak for themselves. I think they are in accord with what each member would like. There are two matters I would like to speak about. (1) With respect to the Bargaining Committee and the scale sent in. As you know that matter is in operation pending the setting up of the job classifications and the building of an establishment for City Hall. In the meantime your Committee thought it would be wise to set aside a sum of \$50,000.00 to meet any adjustments during the year due to the adoption of that scale or one like it. That was given a two year plan. It is a compromise whereby they will get one half this year and one half next year. (2) Where is the revenue coming from to support this budget? If the budget was taken just as it is and projected across the assessments, naturally we would have a high rate. We asked the Commissioner of Finance and he projected the known revenue for the City of Halifax. This is an extraordinary year and this is the year we are starting to get City Hall functioning as a unit from the Mayor down; everyone doing what they can. We have been asked on numerous occasions what other revenue is in sight

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from other bodies. We have been in conference with both the Federal and Provincial Governments. The Ministers and Officials of both have been very sympathetic but in the case of the Federal Government, their grant in aid of taxes is based on a Statute which is before the House in Ottawa. I still feel that when that Bill is passed that we will be agreeably pleased and surprised with the amount the City is going to get in lieu of taxation. With respect to the Provincial Government, I speak particularly of education and health and I think they are quite willing to say 'yes we will take over the operation of the T. B. Hospital.' Had we been able to give them an undertaking that we would have legislation down there to change the taxation structure of the City of Halifax, then we would have been allowed to defer the budget and the method of taxation for 60 days. On Saturday Mr. Bellow and Mr. Egan went over this. Mr. Egan recommended that we defer this budget but I do not concur in that as it would disturb the City's operation. I talked to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and we felt that we should run our own house and within the funds which we have in hand and if and when we make an agreement with the Provincial Government and we know what is coming from the Federal Government, we would be that much ahead this year. I think a three year period will clear the way where we will digest our capital expenditures and we must look forward to the day that we will have to have an annual revenue from our assessments of at least \$5,000,000.00 to carry the City. The transfer of services to other Governments will give us something to work on in those years. I make that statement because I think it was abroad that we were not active enough in putting the pressure on these different Governments. I can assure you that that was not so. I say a promise is nothing to work on with what is facing us. We are clearing our house and I think the citizens of Halifax will say 'thank you gentlemen for what you are doing here today.' The estimates are in your hands."

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5:15 P. M. His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Alderman Burgess: "Is this estimate the same as that passed the joint meeting of the Public Health & Welfare and Finance and Executive Committees?"

His Worship the Mayor: "There might be a few refinements."

Mr. Bellew: "The City Home expenditures remain the same."

Alderman Burgess: "I didn't quite get your remarks with respect to the City Hall Union."

His Worship the Mayor: "We are going to set up job specifications and we set aside enough money to carry one half this year and the other half next year."

Alderman Burgess: "I was wondering if the report of the Bargaining Committee came back to Council. I did not hear it."

His Worship the Mayor: "It was considered at a meeting of a Committee of the Whole. It was recommended by our members on the Bargaining Committee."

Alderman DeWolf: "It was a verbal report."

His Worship the Mayor: "I never knew of a time when I was in Council before where the Finance and Executive Committee sat for 8 hours at once going over these items by item."

Alderman Walker: "It is up to the Council to go over it item by item. We are not to take it as all done. \$50,000.00 in for salaries; was there anything about the low paid men. When it comes up in the next year the low paid men won't get it. It will be the high paid men. I would assume that it be brought up at the Council now. I don't believe in this Your Worship."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Walker that the estimates be considered sheet by sheet.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

The motion was then put and passed 8 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Hosterman
Adams
MacDonald
Kitz
Burgess
Vaughan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Redmond
Walker

- 3 -

RESOLUTION RE: SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES

Read the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the estimates as submitted by the Board of School Commissioners for the Civic Year 1950 amounting to \$1,322,656.91 be objected to in part and the City Council hereby records its objections in respect to the following items and amounts:

Assistant to Secretary	\$ 2,500.00
Electrician	2,700.00
Inspector of Janitors	2,300.00
Janitors Salaries	7,500.00
Commissioners Allowance	2,500.00
Maintenance	6,600.00
Pupils Liability	3,247.50
Janitors Liability	1,800.00
Car Allowance	600.00
Snow Removal	1,000.00
Guidance Supplies	457.00
Physical Education Supplies	1,555.00
Contingent	1,100.00
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TOTAL	\$ 33,919.50
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FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the estimates as amended be forwarded to the Board of School Commissioners for its information.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the resolution as submitted be approved.

The motion was then put and passed 10 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Hosterman
Abbott
Adams
MacDonald
Kitz
Redmond
Burgess
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Walker

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RESOLUTION RE: ESTIMATES

Read the following Resolution:

RESOLVED that the General and Ordinary Assessment amounting to \$5,713,607.24 less probable income \$695,652.15 making a total \$5,017,955.09 plus for short collections \$70,000.00 making \$5,087,955.09 less estimated poll tax \$75,000.00 and \$480,000.00 being the portion of the Current Surplus Account and \$260,000.00 for the Post War Rehabilitation Fund determined to be included in the amount of General Civic Revenue pursuant to subsection 2 of Section 308 of the City Charter making a total of \$4,272,955.09 be confirmed and do now pass and that the inhabitants and property within the City be assessed and rated for the said sum of \$4,272,955.09.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit the said estimates, together with a copy of this resolution to the Commissioner of Finance and accounts on or before the 1st day of March next and to instruct him to fix the rate of taxation for the year ending December 31, 1950 on the basis of the said amount of \$4,272,955.09.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the resolution as submitted be approved.

Alderman Walker: "Have we any bonds payable in New York funds?"

Mr. Bellew: "That is in the budget."

The motion was then put and passed 10 voting for the

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same and I against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Hoosterman
Abbott
Adams
MacDonald
Kitz
Redmond
Burgess
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Walker

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Alderman Walker: "Schedule 'T'; the Mayor's Contingent Account \$6,500.00."

Moved by Alderman Walker that the amount be brought to \$3,000.00.

There was no seconder to this motion.

His Worship the Mayor: "These are all passed."

Alderman Walker: "It is not fair to the tax payers of Halifax."

His Worship the Mayor: "Could the Commissioner of Finance give us any word on the tax rate?"

Mr. Bellew: "The approximate tax rate is \$6.75."

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

Meeting adjourned.

5:30 P. M.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY
MARCH 16, 1950
AGENDA

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- Minutes
- Official Street Lines Cogswell St.
- Official Street Lines Brunswick St.
- Accounts.
- Report Fin. & Exec. Comm. re Accounts Special Items.
 - Tag Days.
 - Amendment to Ordinance #13 (Taxis).
 - Street Widening Chebuoto Road.
 - Fire Protection Charges Federal Government.
 - Tax Rate.
 - Tax Write-Offs.
 - Refunding Serial Debentures.
 - Account Children's Hospital.
 - Voters Lists.
 - Salaries Police Sergeants.
 - Appointments Halifax Memorial Library.
 - Appointment of Stenographer City Solicitor's Department.
 - Appointment of Clerk City Assessor's Dept.
 - School Board Borrowing.
 - Town Planning Legislation.
 - Veteran's Houses.
 - Westmount Subdivision.
 - Watershed Properties.
 - Superannuation W. P. Morrissey.
 - Superannuation C. H. Costwell.
 - Francklyn Park.
 - Sale of Land Churchill Drive.
 - Personnel Survey.
 - Division of Ward 6.
 - Claim J. C. Farrow.
- Report Public Health & Welfare Comm. re Accounts over \$200.00.
 - Plastering Comm. Diseases Hospital.
- Report Safety Committee re Tenders for Uniforms (Police Dept.)
- Report Housing Accommodation Committee re Accounts over \$200.00.
- Report Committee on Works re Accounts over \$500.00.
 - Illuminated Signs.
 - Claim D. C. Robertson.
 - Claim George E. Herman.
 - Relay Boxes Postal Service.
 - Building Permit H. J. Hammond.
 - Off Street Parking.
 - Biller Bros. Circus.
 - Lynch's Shows.
 - Land Connaught Avenue.
 - Sewer Extension Columbus Street.
 - Sewer Hemlock Street.
 - Water Service Belmont Street.
 - Sidewalk Assessment Beed Property.
 - Petition Sidewalks Etc.
 - Tenders for Repairs to Incinerator.
 - Street Lighting.
 - Old Street Lighting Fixtures.
 - Arm Bridge Improvements.
 - Arndale Post Office Lease.
- Report Town Planning Board re Official Development Plan.
 - Appeal Occupancy Permit S. S. Boutilier.
 - Altering Lots New Westmount Subdivision.
 - Altering Lots N. S. Car Works Subdivision.
- Questions.
- Annual Report City Assessor.
- Approval Blink Bonnie Subdivision By-Law.
- Report Chief Accountant re Tax Collections for the month of February.
- Report Bargaining Committee re Salary Schedule.

EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
March 16, 1950,
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 DeWolf, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, MacDonald, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

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

The following named papers were submitted.

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Breen that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved.

Alderman Walker: "I object to the minutes on the grounds that the Aldermen were not allowed to see anything as regards the estimates in that you said there were no raises of salary in the estimates as there was. \$750.00 for one man; \$580.00 for another fellow. It is ridiculous the way things are going on in this Council. You should have given that money to the low paid men. The high paid men are getting enough. I object to the minutes on that consideration. Also the money in the estimates for the Mayor's Contingent Fund; I object to all of them."

His Worship the Mayor: "Objection not sustained. The estimates were passed at the last Council meeting."

The motion was then put and passed 6 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Hosterman
Abbott
MacDonald
Redmond

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Walker
Burgess
Vaughan

- 3 -

PASSING OF EX-ALDERMAN BATSON

His Worship the Mayor referred to the passing of Ex-Alderman Batson stating that his integrity and honesty was never to be questioned and he did much good when serving as an Alderman in this Council.

At the request of His Worship Council observed one minute silence in his honor.

OFFICIAL STREET LINES COGSWELL ST.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 16, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

Advertisements were inserted in the Halifax Mail-Star in accordance with the provisions of the Halifax City Charter, giving notice that it is the intention of the City Council to alter the Southern Official Street Line of Cogswell Street and the Western Official Street Line of Brunswick Street at the corner of Brunswick Street and Cogswell Street as shown on Section 18 of the Official City Plan.

The notice advised that the matter would be submitted to the City Council at a regular meeting to be held in the City Council Chamber on Thursday, March 16, 1950 at 8:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

R E S O L U T I O N

W H E R E A S the City Council has considered the re-location of the western official street line of Brunswick Street and the southern official street line of Cogswell Street at the southwest corner of Cogswell Street and Brunswick Street as shown on section 18 of the Official City Plan.

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AND WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of section 551A of the City Charter public notice of the intention to vary such street lines has been given by advertisement inserted at least once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper published in the City, the first of such notices having been published at least three clear weeks before the 16th day of March, A. D. 1950, that being the day appointed by the Council to consider the matter.

AND WHEREAS the said notice stated the intention of the Council to vary the said official street lines and the date of the meeting of the Council appointed for the consideration of the matter and that the plan proposed to be altered and the proposed change thereof may be inspected at the office of the Commissioner of Works at any time during office hours up to the day so appointed for the consideration of the matter as aforesaid.

AND WHEREAS the Council has considered the said matter and has determined to vary the said official street lines in the manner set out on the said plan filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works as section 18 of the Official City Plan.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, pursuant to the authority in it vested by section 551A of the City Charter as aforesaid, the Official City Plan of the City be amended by relocating the western official street line of Brunswick Street and the southern official street line of Cogswell Street at the southwest corner of Cogswell Street and Brunswick Street as shown on section 18 of the Official City Plan.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the western official street line of Brunswick Street and the southern official street line of Cogswell Street so varied be so indicated on the Official Plan of the City and upon the copy thereof filed in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

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AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of section 549 of the City Charter the Commissioner of Works do forthwith set up adequate bounds or monuments to mark the said official street lines and make a record of the date of the setting up of such bounds or monuments and the location and nature of the same.

No objections were received.

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

OFFICIAL STREET LINES BRUNSWICK ST. EXTENSION

Halifax, N. S.,
March 16, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

Advertisements were inserted in the Halifax Mail-Star in accordance with the provisions of the Halifax City Charter, giving notice that it is the intention of the City Council to remove the street lines of Brunswick Street from the Corner of Sackville & Brunswick Sts. to the Corner of Queen & Doyle Sts. as shown on Sections 16 and 18 of the Official City Plan.

The notice advised that the matter would be submitted to the City Council at a regular meeting to be held in the City Council Chamber on Thursday, March 16, 1950 at 8:00 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

R E S O L U T I O N

W H E R E A S the City Council has received a report from the Town Planning Board of the City of Halifax recommending the removal from the Official City Plan of the street lines of Brunswick Street Extension from the corner of Sackville and Brunswick Streets to the corner of Queen and Doyle Streets as laid down in 1916.

AND WHEREAS the City Council has considered the removal of the official street lines of Brunswick Street Extension from the corner of Sackville and Brunswick Streets to the corner of

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Queen and Doyle Streets as laid down in 1916.

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of section 551A of the City Charter public notice of the intention to remove such street lines has been given by advertisement inserted at least once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper published in the City, the first of such notices having been published at least three clear weeks before the 16th day of March, A. D. 1950, that being the day appointed by the Council to consider the matter.

AND WHEREAS the said notice stated the intention of the Council to remove the said official street lines and the date of the meeting of the Council appointed for the consideration of the matter, and that the plan proposed to be altered and the proposed change thereof may be inspected at the office of the Commissioner of Works at any time during office hours up to the day so appointed for consideration of the matter.

AND WHEREAS the Council has considered the said matter and has determined to remove the said official street lines in the manner set out on the said plan filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works as sections 16 and 18 of the Official City Plan.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to the authority in it vested by section 551A of the City Charter as aforesaid, the Official City Plan of the City be amended by removing the official street lines of Brunswick Street Extension from the corner of Sackville and Brunswick Streets to the corner of Queen and Doyle Streets as laid down in 1916 in the manner shown on the said plan known as sections 16 and 18 of the Official City Plan.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the official street lines of Brunswick Street Extension so removed be so indicated on the Official Plan of the City and on the copy thereof filed in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

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No objections were received.

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

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 & Executive Committee amounting to \$13,877.01; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$2,337.13 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$29,305.04 chargeable to Fire Department; \$25,189.56 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health & Welfare amounting to \$38,269.91 chargeable to Health Department; \$14,172.92 chargeable to City Home and \$3,298.55 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$23,967.75; the Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$997.44; the Housing Accommodation Committee amounting to \$4,583.68 and the Recreation Committee amounting to \$159.68 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 following account was approved and recommended for payment.

Barber-Ellis Maritime Limited \$254.82

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT HOSPITAL CAPT. CURRIE

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 the Safety Com-
mittee recommending for payment an account of the Victoria
General Hospital amounting to \$27.00, covering hospitalization
of Captain Raymond Currie of the Fire Department, who was in-
jured while on duty.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAG DAYS

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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, it was agreed to recommend that applications
for permission to hold Tag Days be approved as follows:

The Salvation Army - Saturday, June 17.

The Honourable Edward Cornwallis Chapter,
I. O. D. E. - Saturday, August 19.

The Kiwanis Club of Armdale, Halifax, N. S.
- Saturday, August 26.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

It was then agreed to consider Item #41 "Biller Bros.
Circus."

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BILLER BROS. CIRCUS

March 10, 1950.

APPLICATION FROM BILLER BROS. CIRCUS INC.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 7th, an application from Biller Bros. Circus Inc., to hold their show on the North Common on July 31st and August 1st, was considered.

The Committee recommended to Council that permission be granted at the usual fee of \$900.00 per day, within an area defined by the Commissioner of Works, plus charges for light and water, and that a cash bond of \$2,000.00 be posted to ensure that the grounds are cleaned up and all posters removed and their contract faithfully performed.

An Agreement to be prepared by the City Solicitor embodying the ideas of the Committee.

The Committee also recommended that the Circus be given exclusive concession rights on the North Common with the exception of certain mobile canteens already licensed by the City to sell on the Commons.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

City Solicitor: "The actual form of the permit should be subject to the approval of the Committee on Works."

This was agreed to by Council.

It was then agreed to consider Item #55 "Appeal Occupancy Permit S. S. Boutilier."

APPEAL OCCUPANCY PERMIT S. S. BOUTILIER

March 3, 1950.

APPEAL AGAINST OCCUPANCY PERMIT - S. S. BOUTILIER
12 Hemlock Street.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on February

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28th, 1950 the attached report of the Acting Commissioner of Works dated February 24th, 1950 on an appeal from Mr. Simon S. Boutilier against the Building Inspector's refusal to issue an occupancy permit to operate a confectionery shop at No. 12 Hazlock Street, was considered.

The Board recommended that this appeal be forwarded to City Council for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. S. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Mr. Boutilier was then granted permission to address Council as follows: "It was reported in the papers that I started to build without a permit. Mr. Alexander was sent up and he looked at it and told me to continue and that I would get the permit later. We finished the building and never heard anything about it until 4 months later when I got the permit. Mr. Thomas then took over from Mr. MacKinnon and I could not go ahead with what I wanted because my brother went into business somewhere else. I think there is a great need for a store in that area. There is definitely a need. You will find stores in residential areas all over the place. There are contractors out around me doing business. There are about 160 people on a petition who want it. I think you should help and see that I get the permit. Thank you."

City Solicitor: "This is an appeal to the Council. I presume the Council was going to fix a time to hear the appeal. I think that if you fix a time and advertise it so that all parties could be heard, that would be the proper time."

Alderman Walker: "What has the Building Inspector got to say about this occupancy permit? Why has he stopped him? I want to know all about it. This man has his building up."

Mr. Thomas: "This is in a residential district and he applied for a permit to carry on a commercial enterprise and we have no alternative but to refuse him. He has the privilege

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of appealing to Council. That is what is before Council tonight. They set a date for the hearing and they will decide whether or not he will receive his permit to carry on."

Alderman Walker: "He was told to go ahead before he started building."

Mr. Thomas: "That was for a Building Permit. This is an Occupancy Permit."

Alderman Hosterman: "I think Mr. Boutilier has given us a clear cut statement of the whole situation. I would suggest that the names of the Officials he mentioned be present when it is up for hearing. They gave him a Building Permit and now they refuse him an Occupancy Permit."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved and Council fix Thursday, April 13 1950 at 8:00 P. M. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, as the time and place for the hearing. Motion passed.

AMENDMENT ORDINANCE #13 TAXIS

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 City Solicitor submitting amendments to Ordinance No. 13 respecting the regulation of vehicles transporting passengers for hire, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the amendments as drawn by the City Solicitor be read and passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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AMENDMENTS

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Halifax under the authority of section 228 of the Motor Vehicle Act as follows:

1. Ordinance No. 13, Respecting the Regulation of Vehicles Transporting Passengers for Hire, is amended by inserting therein, immediately following section 2 thereof, the following section:

2A. The Chief of Police shall have the general control, supervision and direction over the Inspector of Licenses and any deputy or assistant to such Inspector and any officer or official acting in the carrying out of the various duties set out in this Ordinance.

2. Section 3 of said Ordinance No. 13 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

3. (1) Subject to the provisions of section 2A of this Ordinance and any specific directions from time to time given or issued by the Chief of Police, the Inspector shall have supervision over all persons licensed under this Ordinance and over all vehicles to which the same applies, and the following shall constitute his duties under this Ordinance:

- (a) To report to the Board respecting the performance of his duties under this Ordinance whenever he shall be required by the Board so to do.
- (b) To make all necessary enquiries concerning applications for licenses or transfers thereof as may be requisite to secure a due observance of the law and of this Ordinance.
- (c) To examine or cause to be examined all applicants for driver's licenses as to their ability to operate a vehicle for transporting passengers for hire.
- (d) To examine or cause to be examined every vehicle for which a license is requested under this Ordinance.
- (e) To submit to each meeting of the Board applications for licenses or recommendations for the revoking or cancelling of any license, together with his report thereon.
- (f) To keep a register of all licenses granted by the Board which shall contain the name or names of the applicants, the residence of the applicants and the date of the license and such further particulars, and to keep other books and records as the Board may from time to time order.
- (g) When authorized by the Board, to cause to be made out all licenses and to sign all licenses issued under this Ordinance, the fees therefor having first been paid as required by this Ordinance.

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- (h) To furnish each person receiving a license under this Ordinance with a copy of this Ordinance together with a card setting out the rates and fares specified in this Ordinance.
- (i) To ascertain by inspection and enquiry from time to time, and also as often as may be required by the Board, whether the persons holding licenses under this Ordinance continue to comply with the provisions of the law and of this Ordinance.
- (j) To cause to be prosecuted all persons who shall offend against any of the provisions of the law and of this Ordinance.

(2) Any act authorized or directed by this Ordinance to be done by the Inspector may, in the absence of any statutory provisions contrary thereto, be done or performed by the Chief of Police or by any officer or official under the control or direction of the Chief of Police when so authorized by the Chief of Police and with the like power and authority as the Inspector would have in such case.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the Amendments to Ordinance #13 as set out above be read and passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval. Motion passed.

STREET WIDENING CHEBUCTO ROAD

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 the Committee on Works recommending that the sum of \$648.00 be paid to the Halifax Motors Limited for a triangular piece of land on Chebucto Road, which is required for street widening purposes.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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FIRE PROTECTION CHARGES FEDERAL GOV'T

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 City Solicitor submitting a renewal agreement between the City and the Department of Public Works (Federal), respecting fire protection charges, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the Agreement be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute same on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAX RATE

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 Commissioner of Finance respecting the tax rate for the civic year 1950 was submitted.

It was agreed to forward the report to Council for its information and filing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

March 1, 1950.

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

Dear Sir:-

In reply to your letter of today's date I have to advise you that in pursuance of Section 409 of the City Charter, I have, in accordance with the undernoted calculations, fixed the rate of taxation on business assessments and on business realty for the civic year 1950 at \$6.75 per one hundred.

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Residential realty and household assessments total \$39,776,250.
which at \$3.50 per hundred (rate fixed by Sub-section 1 of Section
409 of the City Charter) produces-----\$ 1,392,168.75

Business realty and business assessments total
\$40,825,360. which at \$6.75 per hundred produces----- 2,755,711.80
\$ 4,147,880.55

The amount required in accordance with the approved estimates
is as follows:

Estimates approved by City Council Feb. 28, 1950 \$ 5,012,955.09
Less Licenses (Section 361, City Charter) 45,300.00
\$ 4,967,655.09

Less anticipated payments
Central Mortgage & Housing Corp. \$ 25,173.00
Special Taxes 60,000.00 85,173.00

Add School Rebate 2,000.00
\$ 4,884,482.09

Less Appropriated from Current Surplus
Chapter 73, Sec. 2, paragraph 2, Acts 1945 480,000.00
\$ 4,404,482.09

Less Appropriated from Post War Fund 260,000.00
\$ 4,144,482.09

This letter further advises you that I have complied with the
resolution of City Council passed on February 28, 1950 and have declared
the current rate of taxation to be \$6.75 per hundred. Please notify
the City Council accordingly.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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WRITE-OFF UNCOLLECTIBLE TAXES

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 a report from the Commissioner of Finance recommending
that uncollectible tax accounts amounting to \$937.53 be written off under
the provisions of Section 283, Sub-section 2 of the City Charter.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

March 16, 1950.

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

WRITE-OFF SEWER CHARGES

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 the Commissioner
of Finance recommending that outstanding sewer charges against
Richard W. Power, 64 Churchill Drive in the amount of \$105.00
and George Thomas Peach, 11 Churchill Drive in the amount of
\$100.00 be written off under the authority of Chapter 69 Section
53 of the Acts of 1947.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

REFUNDING SERIAL DEBENTURES

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 Commissioner of
Finance respecting the refunding of a 4 per cent Serial Debenture
Loan for \$251,000.00 was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

March 13, 1950.

Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:

In August 1940 the City issued a four per cent Serial
Debenture Loan for \$251,000. During the last nine years \$121,000.
of this amount plus interest has been paid off, leaving a balance
of \$130,000. that will become due and payable on August 1st, 1950.

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It was apparently the intention of the City in 1940 to include \$12,000. of this amount in the Estimates of 1950 and refund the balance of \$118,000. covering the following services:

Water Utility	\$ 20,000.
Street Paving	73,500.
Sidewalks	24,500.
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	\$118,000.

As the \$12,000. plus interest has been included in the Estimates of the civic year 1950 and the Debentures amounting to \$130,000. will be presented for pavement on August 1st of this year, I would recommend that the necessary legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature authorizing the City to refund the outstanding balance of \$118,000.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

ACCOUNT CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting an account from the Children's Hospital for the care of Cyril Gray.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

March 14, 1950.

Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

Under the local Hospital Act we paid the Children's Hospital \$147.00 for the care of Cyril Gray son of Mr. James Gray, 171 Creighton Street covering the period March 29, 1949 to May 17, 1949, a period of forty-nine days at three dollars a day.

We are now informed by the Department of Veteran's Affairs that they are willing to pay this account if we agree to accept \$115.00 as full settlement.

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From the information I have received it would appear that this would be a difficult account to collect due to the circumstances of the parent. This being the case I would recommend that the offer be accepted and the balance of \$32.00 be written off.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

VOTERS LISTS

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 Commissioner of Finance respecting the preparation of the Voters Lists was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved, the necessary legislation obtained and also that candidates for the office of Mayor or Alderman be given four copies of the voters lists free of charge.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

March 14, 1950.

Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

I enclose herewith a copy of a letter I have received from the City Collector regarding the preparation of the voters lists. This has come to me as a result of several talks we have had on this matter. We are of the opinion that too much time is devoted by the Collector's staff to this work.

Along with the comments in his letter it should be noted that during the discount period on current taxes about two months each year the time of the entire office staff is devoted to counter work. This, along with three months devoted to the preparation of the voters list means that five months each year are lost in following up delinquent taxpayers.

If the legislation regarding the qualifications of voters is changed in line with these suggestions the following would be the result:

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- (a) All taxpayers who have paid their taxes under the present City Charter provision on November 30th in place of December 31st, would be eligible to vote and their names would appear on the voters list for the ensuing years civic elections.
- (b) All taxpayers not included above would, on a request, receive a certificate from the City Collector to vote if they paid their outstanding taxes as required by present Charter provision up to one day next preceding the day of election.
- (c) Multiple taxpayers could vote for Alderman in each ward where they have property and are qualified to vote but would have only one vote for Mayor.
- (d) Corporations would nominate their voting officer on or before the tenth day of February in each year.

As pointed out in the attached letter the month of December is a slack month with regard to collections and could be very easily devoted to the preparing of the voters list and we feel that this would cut down the time spent on this work by at least fifty per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

Alderman Walker raised the question of Companies and Corporations nominating their agents and after some discussion it was agreed to set the date for filing names of agents as Nomination Day with the right to vote by certificate up to and including the day of Election.

The motion was then put and passed.

SALARIES POLICE SERGEANTS

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 the Safety Committee recommending that Roy Daniel and John Bowser, who were promoted to the rank of Sergeant on January 24 and February 9, respectively be paid at the rate of \$2100. per year, effective as from the date of appointment.

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Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

APPOINTMENTS HALIFAX MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 Halifax Memorial
Library Committee respecting appointments to the staff was con-
sidered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 13, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Halifax Memorial Library Committee
held on the above date, it was agreed to make the following
recommendations:

- (1) That Miss Kathleen Currie be appointed as head of the
Childrens' Library effective May 1, 1950, at a salary
of \$2500 per annum, plus cost of living bonus of \$108.00
per annum.
- (2) That Miss Edith Clare be appointed head cataloguer
effective May 1, 1950, at a salary of \$2600 per annum,
plus cost of living bonus of \$108.00 per annum.
- (3) That Miss Charlotte Allen be appointed cataloguer
effective May 1, 1950, at a salary of \$2300 per annum,
plus cost of living bonus of \$108.00 per annum.
- (4) That Mrs. Nita Woolnough be appointed as Stenographer
effective April 1, 1950, at a salary of \$1380 per annum,
plus cost of living bonus of \$108.00 per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Burgess: "Are all these employees residents of the City?"

Alderman Breen: "One of the difficulties has been in getting people who are properly trained. Mrs. Woolnough is a resident of Halifax, but has been away for some time. She is a married woman. She has special qualifications and the Committee felt that they were very fortunate in getting her services for such a low salary. I can assure the Council that considerable time has been spent on it and we did not have too many applications to choose from. Miss Currie is particularly fitted for the work she is going on. She is taking some course at the present time. Clare; I don't remember about her. That is another case of the difficulty in getting a cataloguer."

Alderman Burgess: "I wonder whether the Committee took enough interest to get a Halifax girl and train her. Even if we had to send her away for 6 months it would be O. K."

His Worship the Mayor: "The Committee thought well to take them on. With regard to the married woman she is the wife of a well known citizen of this City."

Alderman Vaughan: "The matter of expense arises. Can you give me any reasons why the Halifax Memorial Library Committee has not made efforts to come under the Regional Library Plan of the Province?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Your Committee is discussing that. We are going to take that up when we get a library. We are trying to give a temporary service now. That will be taken up later."

The motion was then put and passed.

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APPOINTMENT STENOGRAPHER CITY SOLICITOR'S DEPT.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 City Solicitor recommending that Miss Florence B. Keddy be appointed as Stenographer in his Department at a salary of \$1500 per year, plus cost-of-living bonus was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SCHOOL BOARD BORROWING

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 request from the Board of School Commissioners for authority to employ the services of an Architect or Architects to draw plans and specifications for school buildings and call for tenders was considered.

After hearing a representative from the Board of School Commissioners on the matter, it was agreed to recommend that the request be granted and a borrowing resolution for the sum of \$121,500 passed and forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

A resolution was submitted and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Hosterman
that the report and resolution as submitted be approved.

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

WHEREAS by section 8 of Chapter 6 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia 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 sums of money as the Council thereof deems necessary for the purpose of **erecting, repairing, purchasing, altering, adding to, improving, furnishing or equipping buildings for public schools, hospitals, public libraries, fire department, police office, lockups, 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 and 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 **One Hundred and Twenty-one Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$121,500.00)** for the purposes as shown on the attached schedule.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding **One Hundred and Twenty-one Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$121,500.00)** may 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 **One Hundred and Twenty-one Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$121,500.00)**

may be necessary for the purposes 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 sum of **One Hundred and Twenty-one Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars** (\$121,500.00) for the purposes 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 **One Hundred and Twenty-one Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$121,500.00)**.

THAT the issue of said debentures be postponed and that the said City do under and by virtue of the provisions of section 318B of the Halifax City Charter of 1931 borrow from **the General Current Account** a sum or sums of money not exceeding **One Hundred and Twenty-one Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars (\$121,500.00)**.

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

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the resolution of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly passed at a **Regular** meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the **16th** day of **March**, A.D. 1950.

GIVEN under the hands of the Mayor and City Clerk and under the corporate seal of the said City this **16th** day of **March**, A.D. 1950.

Mayor

City Clerk

SCHEDULE

Architects fees for preparing plans and supervision
of construction of:

(a)	New School at Gorsebrook 6% of \$450,000 (est. cost)	\$27,000.00
(b)	New Senior High School 6% of \$1,250,000 (est. cost)	75,000.00
(c)	New LeMarchant Street School 6% of \$325,000 (est. cost)	19,500.00
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		\$ 121,500.00

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Alderman Abbott, Breen, Burgess, DeWolf, Hosterman, MacDonald,
Redmond, Vaughan and Walker.

TOWN PLANNING LEGISLATION

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 City Solicitor respecting
Town Planning legislation was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the City Solicitor be
authorized to prepare and submit such legislation as may be
required to implement any zoning By-Laws approved by the Council
and to remove any conflicts, which may exist between the Charter
and such By-Laws when enacted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

VETERAN'S HOUSES

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 Housing Accommo-
dation Committee respecting the agreement now existing between
the City and the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation,
covering 75 Veterans Houses was considered.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation contained
in the said report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held

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on the 10th inst. a request from the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation respecting the agreement now existing between the City and the Corporation covering the 75 veterans houses was considered.

Under the present agreement the Corporation should it sell any of these houses within 5 years from the date of the agreement will pay to the City the sum of \$400.00 per lot. The five years will expire January 1st, 1951 and the Corporation has requested that it be allowed to sell the houses in 1950 and pay to the City the sum of \$200.00 per lot as the houses are sold instead of the sum of \$400.00. Should the City not agree then the Corporation will defer selling the houses until next year and will pay to the City the sum of \$200.00 per lot under the agreement. The only advantage in agreeing to the request at the present time from the City's view point is that it will be able to assess the properties in the regular manner prior to 1951, as the houses are sold.

The Committee recommends that the request of the Corporation be granted.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. McManus,
Chairman,
HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE,
City of Halifax.

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

WESTMOUNT SUBDIVISION

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 Housing Accommodation Committee respecting seven lots in the Westmount Subdivision was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held

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on the 10th inst., a request from the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation to withdraw certain lots on the Westmount subdivision from the provisions of the original agreement of the Westmount subdivision and transfer them so that they will come under the provisions of the latter agreement respecting the remainder of this subdivision was considered.

Under the terms of the original agreement the Corporation was compelled to erect houses on the lots while under the terms of the latter agreement the lots are assembled for sale, also under the latter agreement the Corporation must pay at the regular rates for services. There are seven lots involved, viz: three lots on Wm. Hunt Avenue, two lots on which the Drill hall stands and two lots on which Emergency Shelters stand.

The Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus,
Chairman,
HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE,
City of Halifax.

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

WATERSHED PROPERTIES

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 respecting the appraisal of certain properties on the Watershed was considered.

It was felt that a complete list of all lands that are required to protect the water service of the City should be obtained and it was agreed to recommend that a Committee consisting of the Commissioner of Health, the City Solicitor and the Manager of the Public Service Commission be appointed to make an exhaustive study of the whole matter and report back, and the appraisers be requested to discontinue negotiations until this report is received.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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SUPERANNUATION W. P. MORRISCEY

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 a request from Mr. William P. Morriscey to be superannuated.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay Mr. Morriscey a retiring allowance of \$1620.00 per annum, effective from the date of his retirement.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SUPERANNUATION G. H. COSTWELL

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 a request from Sergeant Costwell to be superannuated.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay Sergeant Costwell a retiring allowance of \$1200.00 per annum, effective from the date of his retirement.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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FRANCKLYN PARK

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 Directors of Point Pleasant Park respecting the acquisition of Francklyn Park was considered.

His Worship the Mayor reported that he had been advised that Francklyn Park has already been disposed of to private owners.

It was then agreed to recommend that a Committee of three members of the City Council be appointed to investigate the possibility of the City acquiring Francklyn Park from the new owners and report back.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Walker: "Wasn't there something about this Park brought up in Council about two years ago?"

His Worship the Mayor: "You were here. Can you tell us?"

Alderman Walker: "Well I don't know. I can't remember. You should have gone after it to see what was going on."

Alderman Vaughan: "What for?"

His Worship the Mayor: "To purchase it and add it to the Park."

Alderman Vaughan: "I feel we should leave this property in the hands of the purchasers to develop and we will have increased assessment and therefore increased revenue to the City. There are areas that are supposed to be parks and at times resemble a pasture. I would suggest that we look after our own park lands rather than going out and purchasing more."

Alderman Hosterman: "I feel the same as Alderman Vaughan. I can't understand why at least the N. S. L. & P. Co., Ltd. did

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not come to us and let us know it was in the air. I think the proposition of turning it into lots and putting it on the tax rolls is a better move."

His Worship the Mayor: "One of the Directors of the Park Commission had the matter deferred as he is a Director of the Company. The next day I had a conference with the Company and the fact as in the papers is as it stands. We felt a Committee of three should be appointed to explore the matter to get it at a better price."

Alderman Walker: "What was passed at the time when Mayor Ahern was here and when this land was sold and who to. Perhaps the Assessor can tell us?"

City Assessor: "It is still in the name of the N. S. L. & P. Co., Ltd."

Alderman Walker: "Who has it been sold to?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The Committee will find out."

Alderman Walker: "Take up what I asked."

Alderman Vaughan: "I believe this property was sold February 23rd. It would seem rather strange that we go after this property at an increased price."

His Worship the Mayor: "The Committee had no knowledge of it until it was brought up by a member of the Committee. If the City wants it they have to negotiate."

Alderman Vaughan: "Why wait till this property has gone into private hands. Flynn Park is park land. Let us develop our present park areas and not go out and buy more."

The motion was put and lost 1 voting for the same and 8 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION
Alderman Breen

AGAINST IT
Alderman DeWolf
Hosterman
Abbott
MacDonald
Redmond
Walker
Burgess
Vaughan

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His Worship the Mayor: "It arose from a Committee of this Council. When it is sold and developed as a residential area I think the people should know how it came out."

Alderman Vaughan: "I did not say a land deal was taking place. I want to correct that."

Alderman DeWolf: "According to Mr. McManus there is no transfer. The deed would have gone through and Mr. McManus picked it up."

His Worship the Mayor: "The matter is settled effectively."

SALE OF LAND CHURCHILL DRIVE

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 offer from W. W. Ferguson to pay the sum of \$25.00 for a strip of land on Churchill Drive, 25' by 20', was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the land be sold to W. W. Ferguson for the sum of \$25.00, plus any abutters charges.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PERSONNEL SURVEY

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the matter of a personnel survey and job classification covering positions in all Civic Departments was considered.

The attached letter from the Citizens Research Institute of Canada was read and it was again decided to recommend that the proposal as suggested by His Worship the Mayor on February 16, 1950 be approved, with the possible addition of one outside person, to act in the same capacity as Mr. McVittie.

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

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

Alderman Vaughan: "I am very disappointed at this action being taken. I am not casting any reflection on any civic official but in order to do a proper job classification, you should have someone outside City Hall to do that job. It is a known fact that in all Government Agencies the tendency is for expansion. Sometimes the taxpayers question that. I do not feel that the Commissioners or Department Heads are qualified in a technical sense to pass on such a report and that is why I asked that we get quotations from the Citizens Research Institute to do an overall job. I am interested in one thing; better Government for the City and better administration, therefore, the remarks I make are not intended to knife anyone. The good derived from such a report and implementation would go down through the years. I am going to vote against this recommendation."

His Worship the Mayor: "We want to get started next week. If you support this tonight, we will set up job specifications and salary scales and if you are not satisfied it will not have cost us anything."

The motion was then put and passed with Alderman Vaughan wishing to be recorded against.

DIVISION WARD 6

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 request from the Halifax North Civic Improvement Association that Ward 6 be divided into two wards was considered.

Mr. A. A. Robertson, President of the Association, appeared before the Committee in support of the request and after due consideration it was agreed to recommend that Ward 6 be divided as shown on the attached plan and the necessary legislation obtained at the next session of the Legislature to make this

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effective as from January 1, 1951 and to amend any sections of the City Charter affected by this change.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Burgess: "I think the motion is probably taken too light. It is a little too previous. Last week someone wanted legislation to allow them to sell pop by vending machines and they were given a hearing. I think an open meeting should be called for this purpose too. I am not speaking against it or for it, but there are other clubs I would like to hear from."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the matter be deferred and an open meeting held on March 30, 1950 at 8:00 P. M. to give the people a chance to be heard. Amendment passed.

CLAIM J. C. FARROW

Halifax, N. S.,
March 14, 1950.

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 read from Mr. L. A. Fitzpatrick advising that as Solicitor for John Currie Farrow, on the expiration of the statutory period required for an action to be commenced against the City of Halifax, he will issue a Writ out of the County Court of Nova Scotia for District No. 1 for special damages sustained by the said John Currie Farrow in the amount of \$635.00 plus general damages of \$100.00 for injuries in tripping over a raised portion of the Tramcar rail at the corner of Quinpool Road and Oxford Street on October 19, 1949.

Your Committee recommends that the City Solicitor be instructed to accept service of any Writ issued in this case and defend the action.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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City Solicitor: "This is a matter involving a person tripping over the raised portion of a tram car rail at one of the intersections. I am not free from doubt on the ultimate result of this claim. If the street car rails are to remain as they are at the present for sometime to come, I think that some consideration should be given to preventing any precedent being established. If it is proposed to take steps to make sure that the ends of the sidewalks are made safe by covering them with some kind of pavement as soon as possible then I think it might be worthwhile to consider some discussion that might lead to a settlement. It will lead to some expense to see that these rails are not projecting. The Commissioner of Works should give some attention to this matter. Those places where the rails intersect the crosswalks should be given some particular attention."

Alderman Hosterman: "At the present time I don't think Mr. Woods could give it very much attention. What responsibility do we have in the matter? Prior to the coming into being of the trolley coaches, that was the responsibility of the Tramway."

City Solicitor: "The rails belong to the City now. We request the tram company to move them and if they do they are theirs. I am somewhat concerned that they are foreign to the street."

Alderman DeWolf: "There was no provision in the agreement that they should bring the streets back to the original condition. It doesn't matter what happens to the blocks."

Mr. Woods: "The removal of the rails would go hand in hand with our paving program. Quinpool Road is in our scheme this year."

City Solicitor: "Would it be possible to suggest to the Works Department that they pay particular attention to crosswalks over the rails. That will reduce the claims quite a bit. The total claim is \$735.00. I think we can prevent claims of this kind in the future if we go ahead with this."

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It was agreed that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle this claim by negotiation.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
March 6, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

CITY HOME

J. E. Morse & Co. Ltd.	\$ 243.48
R. Ian MacDonald Ltd.	250.00
J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd.	1,979.92
Howard's Limited	692.31

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Howard's Limited	\$ 1,340.67
Cogswell's	665.00
J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd.	1,776.51
Parke-Davis & Co. Ltd.	1,052.91
J. H. Leedham Co. Ltd.	316.13

HFX. HOSPITAL COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Parke-Davis & Co. Ltd.	\$ 224.50
Howard's Limited	203.15

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PLASTERING COMMUNICABLE DISEASES HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
March 6, 1950.

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 was submitted from the Superintendent of Health recommending that Messrs. Lothian and Rattray Co. be engaged to do certain plastering work at the Hospital for Communicable Diseases, on a cost plus basis including wages to plasterers at \$1.50 per hour and unskilled work at 85¢ per hour, plus 15 per cent over-head; the funds required for this work to be charged against the Explosion

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Account.

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.

TENDERS FOR UNIFORMS POLICE DEPT.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 16, 1950.

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 was submitted by the Chief of Police recommending
the following tenders for uniform clothing for the members of
the Police Dept.:

1. COLWELL BROS. LTD. Shirts - Trade Name "Deacon Bros."
● 3.61 each tax included.
2. CLAYTON & SONS LTD. Trousers ● \$12.25 per pair tax
included.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PURCHASERS LOCKERS POLICE DEPT.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 16, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above
date a letter was submitted by the Chief of Police requesting
permission to purchase Lockers for members of the Police Depart-
ment at a cost of \$260.00.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

March 16, 1950.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
March 10, 1950.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee
held on the above date the following accounts were approved and
recommended for payment.

C. S. Barkhouse	\$ 484.40
Herbert Hemming	450.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

March 10th, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 7th,
the following accounts over \$500.00 were approved and recommended
to Council for payment.

Burns Fisheries Limited	\$ 2530.00
Dept. of Highways and Public Works	1044.72
Judge & Ward	553.65
Nova Scotia Light & Power Company Ltd.	707.50
Public Service Commission	699.13

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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ILLUMINATED SIGNS

March 14, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 13th the attached report of the Building Inspector of the same date recommended that leases be granted for signs at

#1 Buckingham St. S. W. Ferguson	\$ 5.00
136 Spring Garden Road (Norm Riley)	5.00
234 Argyle St. Coco Cola Co.	5.00
969 Barrington St. E. L. Ruddy Co.	Agreed
	Annual Fee

was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CLAIM D. O. ROBERTSON

February 23rd, 1950.

CLAIM D. O. ROBERTSON - DAMAGE TO CAR

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 21st, the attached report from the Acting Commissioner of Works recommending payment of a claim for \$15.00 from Mr. D. O. Robertson for damage to the engine hood of his car, caused by a street light globe falling from a fixture, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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CLAIM GEORGE E. HERMAN

March 14, 1950.

Release of Claim G. B. Elliott & Co.
On account of George Herman

His worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 13th the attached release from G. B. Elliott & Co. requesting the City to endorse the same before payment is made of an amount of \$134.17 to cover the cost of damages to an iron light standard, was presented.

The Committee approved the same and recommended to Council that the release be signed by the Mayor and City Clerk on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RELAY BOXES POSTAL SERVICES

February 23rd, 1950.

RELAY BOXES FOR LETTER CARRIERS' BUNDLES

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 21st, the attached report of the Acting Commissioner of Works, listing fifty-six (56) locations given us by the Postal Department was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

March 16, 1950.

BUILDING PERMIT H. J. HAMMOND

March 3rd, 1950.

BUILDING PERMIT - H.J. HAMMOND - #816 ROBIE ST.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 28th, 1950 the attached notice from Mr. J. A. Walker, Solicitor for Mr. Harry J. Hammond re application for a writ of mandamus to compel the Council to approve of the granting of a permit by the Building Inspector for the erection of a building other than a dwelling at #816 Robie Street was considered.

On advice of the City Solicitor the Committee agreed that it be recommended to the Council that the application for a mandamus be contested by the City on the grounds that by Section 885-A of the City Charter, the Council had the right to refuse the application of Mr. Hammond.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Burgess: "I feel that when people are defeated and not wanted in a neighbourhood, we should go further."

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Licensing Committee be requested to withdraw that permit and not to issue any more licenses for taverns in the City of Halifax until the unemployment situation straightens out. Motion passed.

OFF-STREET PARKING

March 10th, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 7th, 1950, the attached report from the Chief of Police, dated March 6th, 1950 in regard to establishing a parking lot bounded by Prince Street, Market Street, George Street and Grafton Street, was considered.

March 16, 1950.

The Committee recommended to City Council that the City Solicitor start the necessary legal proceedings to either purchase or expropriate these properties.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

March 6, 1950.

To His Worship the Mayor &
Members of the Board of Works,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

At a recent meeting of the Board of Works a brief on the parking situation was submitted by ex-Chief of Police G. C. Fox, and I understand the recommendations of the brief were passed by Council.

At a further meeting of the Retail Merchants Association held in the Mayors office March 6th, 1950 I was asked to bring before the Board of Works for their immediate consideration the recommendation dealing with the establishing of a parking lot bounded by Prince St., Market St., George St. and Grafton St.

This lot is 318 ft. x 63 ft. from which the City receives \$352.00 per year in taxes. It has a few old buildings on it and would be suitable for off-street parking space for our downtown shoppers.

Yours very truly,

V. W. Mitchell,
CHIEF OF POLICE.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved.

City Solicitor: "I would be very glad to associate myself with Mr. McManus if the Council will request him to head this up."

The motion was put and passed and the City Assessor requested to act as suggested by the City Solicitor.

LYNCH SHOWS

March 10, 1950.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 7th,