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PUBLIC HOUSING NORTH PARK STREET

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 respecting a public housing development on North Park Street, facing Armoury Lane.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be secured to obtain corporate authority to enter into a plan for the construction of Apartment Houses and that the project be financed by capital borrowing under the Municipal Affairs Act over a period of forty years and that legislation be sought to enable the City to borrow under that act for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Hatfield: "The only thing I am objecting to is the amount of money to be spent when the Dominion Government would pay up to 75% if the Provincial Government would pass the enabling legislation. We should take steps to get the Provincial Government to pass that legislation. We could build 4 of those for the money we put up for one. I am recommending that a committee from this Council go to see our members for Halifax to see if we can't get the Provincial Government to pass that legislation at this session of the House. I object to the 40 years. If we cannot get it from the Dominion Government, then I will go along with the resolution."

His Worship the Mayor: "All the matters you speak of have been discussed by conference. We are going to go on our own no matter what happens. This is an experiment."

Alderman Hatfield: "I think we should do everything in our power to pass that Act. It could bring hundreds of thousands of dollars into the City. We should try to have them pass it. If

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We can get it from the Dominion Government they will pay 75% of any losses that might occur. It is section 34 of the National Housing Act of 1944. There may be quite a considerable loss."

His Worship the Mayor: "I agree with all you said and we are trying to bring about that situation. Proceeding on that now will delay everything till the spring."

Alderman Hatfield: "I want something in there that states that if we can force them to do it that we put up $\frac{1}{4}$ of the money. We want it done through the Dominion-Provincial Act."

His Worship the Mayor: "The legislation is wide enough to meet your objection."

Alderman Fox: "I think it is a plan whereby the apartments would rent for \$83.00 and \$95.00. I can't say that I would be very anxious to go along with building apartment houses to house people that could afford to pay \$83.00 to \$95.00 a month. A person who can pay that should be able to supply themselves with a house. I would suggest that it be something that a poor man could have some chance of buying. That would be around \$6,000.00 I would say."

His Worship the Mayor: "Your objection is well taken. No matter what the cost is the City will have to subsidize anyway. I think if we can get along with this project that we bring the matter of rentals in line with the situation we are trying to correct."

Alderman Abbott: "How many stories, what type of construction and does it meet with the N. H. A. specifications?"

Alderman Vaughan: "Three stories, brick veneer siding and it will meet with the N. H. A. standards. There are 27 livable apartments. In answer to Alderman Fox while it is true that the high rental was carried in the press, that was on a 20 year borrowing. On a 40 year borrowing for this kind of a project the charges for rental will be less per cu. ft. than we are charging for temporary accommodations operated by the City of Halifax

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and which we wish to have removed."

Alderman Abbott: "The building will not meet with the N. H. A. because the N. H. A. will not permit a building with brick veneer anything higher than two stories. It must be solid construction."

Alderman Vaughan: "The Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation financed several apartments in St. John the same as on the Labor Temple Site."

His Worship the Mayor: "The safety of the tenant is paramount."

Alderman Kitz: "Whether it meets with N. H. A. standards or not we are doing it ourselves. The N. H. A. standards are quite rigorous and sound. I have always favored this general plan and it is most interesting to hear Alderman Vaughan say that the cubic rate will be less than what we are charging for our Emergency Shelters. I would like his assurance and from the Committee that they projected their figures very carefully the rentals they will charge will bring that about. I presume you are paying full taxes?"

Alderman Vaughan: "Same as the Emergency Shelters."

Alderman Kitz: "I believe that there are at least 3 Provinces in the Dominion of Canada which have not passed this enabling legislation. I wonder if we realize how beneficial that type of legislation is for any organization wishing to build housing units for rental. The Province has seen fit to withhold assistance to us. Alderman Vaughan suggests that they are framing their tax rate in such a way that we will not get the full rate. Does he realize and the members of this Council that if by a proper application of this Act you get the Dominion of Canada to pay three quarters of your losses including full taxes? This is another form of having Ottawa paying a substantial amount of money to the City. I hope the Assistant Solicitor is right in saying that the legislation you are forming will be wide enough

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to permit us if and when the Provincial Government goes along with the enabling legislation that we get that kind of money. It is a shame that we are going to pay the whole shot in cost when it is done in many other parts of Canada."

His Worship the Mayor: "We presented this to the Provincial Government and I can't say that they didn't co-operate. They listened to everything we had to say and they almost said it was a Provincial matter and what they would do for the City would be for the rest of the Province. The Federal Government is back of us 100%. All we have to do is get the enabling legislation from the Province."

Alderman Hatfield: "Would it not be in order to appoint another Committee to go after it while they are in session?" Alderman Abbott stated that our building was not in conformity with the N. H. A. and Alderman Vaughan said it was. That matter should be cleared up before we pass the building. We can only get financing from the Federal Government if it does conform to the regulations."

Alderman Abbott: "In case we should be able to get some help the building would naturally have to meet with the regulations of the N. H. A."

The motion was then put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Kitz, Fox, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

The following legislation covering the above item was submitted:

Item 61

The City may, either on its own account or pursuant to an agreement with any other body corporate or government, construct multiple housing accommodation and operate, maintain and manage the same in such manner as the Council of the City may from time to time determine or as may be provided in any such agreement, and any sums required by the City to construct such multiple housing accommodation or to carry out any such agreement shall be deemed to be sums required for a City purpose

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within the meaning of the Municipal Affairs Act.

(Explanatory notes: This section will give the City power to take action to erect apartment houses to provide needed housing accommodation. It also enables the City to make agreements with other bodies relative to the same. Any funds required may be secured under the Municipal Affairs Act with the approval of the Minister.)

The Assistant City Solicitor suggested that the legislation be amended to provide the following clause "under or by virtue of any Act of the Province of Nova Scotia or the Dominion of Canada."

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the legislation as amended be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, King, Fox, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

ADDITIONAL BORROWING CATTLE SHED

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 application be made to the Department of Municipal Affairs for authority to borrow an additional sum of \$5,000.00 required for the purpose of altering and equipping the building recently erected for the purpose of killing animals.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Fox: "In order to make that, the roof has to be taken off and the roof has to go up. Who is responsible for this? We spent \$10,000.00. \$5,000.00 more is involved and something should be said about it."

Mr. E. C. Thomas: "Originally we have been trying to set

WHEREAS by Resolution the City Council of the City of Halifax did on the 17th day of August, A. D. 1950, resolve to borrow a sum not exceeding Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) for the purpose of erecting a building satisfactory to the Committee on Public Health and Welfare of the City of Halifax to be used for killing animals, etc., for consumption in the City of Halifax.

AND WHEREAS an additional Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) is required to supplement the said sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) as aforesaid for the purpose of making alterations to the said building and equipping the same.

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 sum or sums of money as the City Council 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.

AND WHEREAS by Section 622 of the City Charter the City is authorized to establish an abattoir for the slaughtering of animals intended for food.

AND WHEREAS by said section 8 of the 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 the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) 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 Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) as may be necessary for the purposes aforesaid, the said sums to be ~~repaid~~ 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 Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) 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 Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

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 Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00).

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 15th day of February, A. D. 1951.

GIVEN under the hands of the Mayor and City Clerk and under the corporate seal of the said City this 15th day of February, A.D. 1951.

Mayor

City Clerk.

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up a building in the City that will permit the passage of a law that will require only inspected meats to be sold. A large undertaking is necessary. In the meantime the present slaughter house on Robie Street was to be moved so a temporary place was to be built to enable the killing of animals. In order for the structure to be built which would not be a total loss, if and when a proper killing plant would be erected, it was designed to form part of a killing plant. An amount of \$10,000.00 was borrowed. The building was built and after it was built it was found that the present rails would not accommodate the large critters. There is no need of taking the roof off. The rails can be raised in the building. For the butchering of pigs it is necessary to put in a steam plant. The size of the building needs to be enlarged before it can be operated.

Alderman Fox: "There is a similar place in Brookfield that was looked over before this place was built."

Mr. Thomas: "During construction. It was not intended for a killing plant. In order to build this as a killing plant with this amount of money, it would be impossible. When we did build a proper killing plant we would have lost all our money in this."

Alderman Fox: "I must say that the site for a killing plant right on the City Dump is not good judgment in my humble opinion."

His Worship the Mayor: "We endeavoured to give a temporary relief to the citizens of Halifax in the matter of killing. We were advised when we started that \$10,000.00 would do the job. We might just as well face the issue tonight that it will only give us temporary quarters and we will have to subsidize the killing of meat in this City to the extent of \$2,000.00. If the idea of Council is to demand that we build it according to specifications required by standards so we can put through the

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regulations that uninspected meat cannot be sold in the City, we are faced with \$150,000.00. We have been unable to force the hand of the Provincial Government to recognize their responsibility in it. Ours is only a temporary measure due to the fact that the present killing plant is going to be discontinued on March 31, 1951. The order is going out to take down that building and we have to have something ready."

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Breen, Fox, Hatfield, Kitz, Macdonald, MacMillan, Moriarty and Vaughan.

A formal Borrowing Resolution amounting to \$5,000.00 covering the above item was submitted and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be passed and forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs for approval.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Breen, Fox, Hatfield, Kitz, Macdonald, MacMillan, Moriarty and Vaughan.

ADDITIONAL BORROWING MORRIS STREET SCHOOL

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 Board of School Commissioners requesting that an additional sum of \$20,000.00 be borrowed for the new Morris Street School.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

W H E R E A S by Resolution the City Council of the City of Halifax did on the 14th day of September, A.D. 1950, resolve to borrow a sum not exceeding Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) for the purpose of erecting, acquiring, purchasing, altering, adding to, improving, furnishing or equipping a building for a public ~~xxxxxx~~ school, namely the construction of a new Morris Street School.

AND WHEREAS an additional sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) is required to supplement the said sum of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) 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 sum or sums of money as the City Council 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.

AND WHEREAS by said section 8 of the 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 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 said 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).

THAT the said sum or sums be so borrowed for a period not exceeding ^{twelve}~~six~~ months, with interest thereon to be paid at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per centum, and that the amount so borrowed together with the amount of any interest which may have accrued thereon be

repaid the said General Current Account from the proceeds of the said debentures when sold.

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 15th day of February, A. D. 1951.

GIVEN under the hands of the Mayor and City Clerk and under the corporate seal of the said City this 15th day of February, A. D. 1951.

Mayor

City Clerk

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SITE COLLEGE OF ART

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 a special committee recommending that a site be made available to the Nova Scotia College of Art at the corner of Summer and Morris Streets was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Breen "It definitely includes the whole property and ties it up for 5 years. We are supplying this land now in place of land that was promised previously. That piece of land is one of the most valuable pieces left in the city. I am against tying it up for 5 years. I am not against the acquisition of land for the College."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that this matter be deferred. Amendment passed.

ASSESSMENT HALIFAX COUNCIL OF SOCIAL AGENCIES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 assessment of the Halifax Council of Social Agencies was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Fox, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Alderman Kitz was absent when the vote was recorded.

A formal Borrowing Resolution amounting to \$30,000.00 covering the above matter was submitted and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be approved and forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Fox, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Alderman Kitz was absent when the vote was recorded.

PURCHASE OF LAND AT FAIRVIEW

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 \$500.00 be paid to Mrs. Catherine Jones for a jib of land at Fairview, which is required for sewer extension purposes.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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January 22, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

I have discussed with Mr. J. A. Walker, K. C., the purchase from Mrs. Catherine Jones, the jib of land required by the City for the sewer extension. In my discussion I offered, without prejudice, the sum of 10¢ per square foot which would have amounted to \$322.50. Mr. Walker advises me that Mrs. Jones wants \$500.00 for the land in question. This price is high having regard to the nature of the land but if she will not take less, and I doubt if she would do so, then it becomes a question of expropriation. To take such action would entail considerable expense such as expert evidence as to its value, etc.

In view of all the circumstances I would recommend that Mrs. Jones be paid the sum of \$500.00 for the land in question.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. McManns,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

SALE OF LAND TO #9 PLATOON H. C. E. C.

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Committee on Works respecting the sale of land at the S/W corner of Maynard and Ontario Streets to #9 Platoon.

Your Committee recommends that the land in question be sold to #9 Platoon for the assessed value of same in accordance with the terms of an agreement entered into between the City of Halifax and #9 Platoon, dated May 1, 1947.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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PURCHASE OF BOOKS HALIFAX MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 Halifax Memorial Library Committee respecting the purchase of books was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that books be purchased locally, where the difference in discount is not greater than 12% over the cost of purchasing books direct from the publishers.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SUB-APPROPRIATIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 supplementary appropriations be provided under the authority of Section 316 C of the City Charter for the following:

Halifax Tuberculosis Hospital	\$ 1,232.09
Infectious Diseases Hospital	868.85

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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January 19, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Attached is a letter from Gwendolyn E. Shand, Executive Secretary of the Halifax Council of Social Agencies, asking exemption from the tax which has been assessed against them for occupancy of premises at 612 Barrington Street for the year 1950 and 1951.

This year we found the Halifax Council of Social Agencies occupying premises at 612 Barrington Street and inasmuch as they were not exempt from taxation a Special Assessment was made against them and this tax was levied under Section 3750, Sub-section 3, of the City Charter, which provides that where any property is occupied for neither business or residential purposes such tax shall be at the rate of 25% of the value of the premises occupied. The amount of the tax is \$48.13.

Should your Committee concur in their request and recommend the same to City Council, it will be necessary to obtain legislation to grant the same.

I may say that the Halifax Council of Social Agencies appealed the assessment but when the matter was before the Court of Tax Appeals, the appeal was dismissed on the grounds that there was no provision in the City Charter to exempt them from taxation and it was recommended that they communicate with your Committee in order to have their request dealt with.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

The following legislation was submitted covering this
matter:

Item 59

(1) The Halifax Council of Social Agencies shall not be liable to be assessed in respect of its occupancy of the premises known as civic number 612 Barrington Street, or any portion thereof, during such time as such occupancy is used for the purposes of the said Council.

(2) The assessments made against the Halifax Council of Social Agencies in respect of its occupation of the premises known as civic number 612 Barrington Street in the civic years 1950 and 1951 are hereby cancelled.

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(Explanatory note: The Halifax Council of Social Agencies is a charitable organization supported by public subscriptions and grants from the City. Under these circumstances it is felt to be a proper case for exemption from taxation.)

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

TAX WRITE-OFFS

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 Commissioner of Finance submitted statements of uncollectible tax accounts, amounting to \$1,685.68.

Your Committee recommends that these accounts be written off under the authority of Section 283, Sub-Section 2 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

REFUNDING LOANS

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting the refunding of debentures maturing January 1st and 2nd, 1951 was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
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 sum or sums of money as the Council thereof deems necessary for the purpose of **paying and retiring at maturity debentures of the City.**

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

AND WHEREAS by said The Municipal Affairs Act the said sum shall in the discretion of the City Council be 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 Three Thousand One Hundred and Forty-seven Dollars and Fifty-four Cents (\$103,147.54)** for the purpose of retiring 5% Debentures of the City maturing January 1st, 1951.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding **One Hundred and Three Thousand One Hundred and Forty-seven Dollars and Fifty-four Cents (\$103,147.54)** 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 Three Thousand One Hundred and Forty-seven Dollars and Fifty-four Cents (\$103,147.54)**

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 **One Hundred and Three Thousand One Hundred and Forty-seven Dollars and Fifty-four Cents (\$103,147.54)** 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 Three Thousand One Hundred and Forty-seven Dollars and Fifty-four Cents (\$103,147.54).**

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 Three Thousand One Hundred and Forty-seven Dollars and Fifty-four Cents (\$103,147.54).**

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 **15th** day of **February, A.D. 1951.**

GIVEN under the hands of the Mayor and City Clerk and under the corporate seal of the said City this **15th** day of **February, A.D. 1951.**

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 sum or sums of money as the Council thereof deems necessary for the purpose of **paying and retiring at maturity debentures of the City.**

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

AND WHEREAS by said The Municipal Affairs Act the said sum shall in the discretion of the City Council be 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 **Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00)** for the purpose of retiring **3½%** Debentures of the City maturing January 2nd, 1951.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding **Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00)** 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 **Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00)**

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 **Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00)** 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 **Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00).**

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 **Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00).**

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.

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GIVEN under the hands of the Mayor and City Clerk and under the corporate seal of the said City this **15th** day of **February, A.D. 1951.**

Mayor

City Clerk

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February 6, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The following Sinking Fund and Serial Debentures maturing this year will have to be refunded:

No. 1 \$ 103,147.54 5% due January 1st, 1951

No. 2 \$ 80,000.00 3½% due January 2nd, 1951

The first borrowing of \$103,147.54 was for Water Utility issued prior to 1902 and refunded in 1917 without Sinking Fund provision. When Messrs. Nightingale, Hayman and Company made the actuarial calculations of our Sinking Funds a few years ago, they recommended that this loan be refunded at maturity for a period of ten years.

The second amount of \$80,000. is part of a Serial Debenture issued in 1942 for \$216,000. and of this amount \$104,000. matures this year.

In view of the present heavy Debenture Debt charges we have to meet, I am recommending that \$24,000. of this amount be paid this year and the remaining \$80,000. be refunded for another ten year period. This borrowing covers the following services:

Sewers	\$ 6,000.
Sidewalks	70,000.
Elevator	4,000.

I recommend to your Committee that the necessary Borrowing Resolutions be prepared for the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs to refund these issues.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Breen, Fox, Hatfield, Macdonald, MacMillan, Moriarty and Vaughan.

Alderman Kitz was absent when the vote was recorded.

Formal Borrowing Resolutions amounting to \$103,147.54 and \$80,000.00 respectively were submitted and same are attached to the original copy of these minutes.

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Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolutions as submitted be passed and forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Breen, Fox, Hatfield, Macdonald, MacMillan, Moriarty and Vaughan.

Alderman Kitz was absent when the vote was recorded.

UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 unemployment insurance was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Unemployment Insurance Commission has requested, through their Auditor Mr. Davidson, that the following resolution be passed at our next regular meeting of City Council:

" Resolved that for the purpose of certifying employment by the City of Halifax as permanent in accordance with paragraph (1) of Part II of the First Schedule to the Unemployment Insurance Act and of special orders made by the Unemployment Insurance Commission thereunder the following be and they are hereby authorized to issue certificates, namely M. L. Bellew, Commissioner of Finance or L. M. Romkey, Deputy Commissioner of Finance."

This will enable us to apply for certificates of permanency when employees are eligible for same.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

February 15, 1951.

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

SUPERANNUATION REFUNDS

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting requests from employees for refunds of their contributions to the Superannuation Plan was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the requests be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Chairman,
Finance and Executive Committee,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:

I have received requests from the following City employees for refunds of their contributions to the proposed Superannuation Plan, up to December 31st, 1950:

Administration

Frank Thomas
John P. Thomson
John E. Mulcahy
W. Arthur Gray
Reginald G. Hann

Police Department

Earl White
Francis G. Webb

Fire Department

Fred B. Cole
Earl H. Coffin
James F. Hencher
James Cullen
Ernest Robichaud
Clarence I. Martin
Reginald Gray
Arthur V. Rodgers
James C. Mann

Frank W. Keddy
M. J. Lynch
James A. Schnare
George Collins
Douglas B. Publicover
Frank A. Spriggs
Charles W. Robinson
George M. Grant

I would appreciate having your instructions regarding these cases.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

February 15, 1951.

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

SALARIES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Committee on Job Specifications etc. respecting Salaries was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
Jan. 29, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Job Specifications, Salaries and Departmental Establishments held on the above date various matters were considered and it was agreed to make the following recommendations.

1. Halifax Memorial Library

That Miss Hilton and Miss Gray who are now receiving salaries of \$1,300.00 and \$1,200.00 respectively be reclassified as Clerks Grade 2, which provides a minimum of \$1,360.00 and a maximum of \$1,660.00 same to be effective as from January 1, 1950. This recommendations is made due to the long service and past experience of these two employees. It is further recommended that when these two employees terminate their service with the City that the vacancies be filled with Grade 1 Clerks.

2. Collector's Department

That a classification of Clerk Grade 2A be established with the same qualifications as Clerk Grade 2 plus ability to write and transcribe shorthand notes, type letters, reports and statements.
Salary Scale Minimum \$1,500.00 - Maximum \$1,800.00.

3. Courts

That a position of Deputy Clerk of the Courts be established with a salary scale providing for a minimum of \$2,400.00 and a maximum of \$2,700.00.

The incumbent in this office to act as Deputy to the Clerk of the Courts and also when required to serve processes

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and perform the duties now being performed by the Assistant to the Clerk of the Court. If this is approved it will be necessary for the Safety Committee either to promote the present Assistant Clerk to this position or make an appointment to fill this office.

4. Welfare Division - Case Workers

Grade 1 maximum salary to be amended to read \$2,100.00.

Grade 2 Salary scale of \$2,500.00 - \$2,800.00 to be amended to read \$2,700.00 to \$3,000.00.

5. That this committee cease to exist as of January 31, 1951, as suggested by your committee at the last regular meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Fox: "Has the Clerk of the Court been carrying on without an Assistant. Is there an Assistant Clerk now?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Mr. Lynch."

Alderman Fox stated that he was against the salary for the Assistant Clerk of the Courts.

The motion was put 4 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Moriarty
Breen
Adams
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
MacMillan

- 4 -

- 5 -

Alderman Hatfield was absent when the vote was recorded but took his seat just as it finished and was asked to vote.

He stated that he did not know what the item was about and requested information.

His Worship the Mayor: "I want the report read. I don't want any vote taken here without any Alderman not having the opportunity to know what it was all about. Alderman Hatfield was out."

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Alderman Abbott: "What is the procedure when an Alderman is out of his seat?"

Assistant City Solicitor: "I say there has not been a proper motion made as yet."

The report was read again for the benefit of Alderman Hatfield.

Alderman Fox: "Who is performing the duties of Assistant Clerk of the Courts?"

His Worship the Mayor: "You had that answer."

Alderman Fox: "Mr. Hatfield did not know."

His Worship the Mayor: "We are voting on the establishment of a Deputy Clerk of the Courts."

Alderman Fox: "My vote was to be recorded against the raise for Lawrence Lynch."

Alderman MacMillan: "There are several clauses in the recommendations. Could we vote on them separately? I am in favor of some and against others."

Moved in amendment by Alderman MacMillan, seconded by Alderman Fox that the report be considered item by item. Amendment passed. The report was again read and considered item by item.

ITEM # 1

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM # 2

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM # 3

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that this item be approved.

The motion was put and resulted in a tie vote 5 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Moriarty
Breen
Adams
Vaughan
Hatfield

- 5 -

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
MacMillan

- 5 -

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

ITEM # 4

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM # 5

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that this item be approved. Motion passed.

TAG DAYS

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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, applications for permission to hold Tag Days were recommended for approval as follows:

International Students' Service	February 24.
Sea Gulls Hockey Club	March 3.
The Air Cadet League of Canada	April 14.
Zion B. M. E. Church	June 2.
Halifax Colored Citizens Improvement League	June 23.
Kiwanis Club of Armdale	September 8.
Boy Scout Association	October 13.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Moriarty
Breen
Adams
Vaughan
Hatfield

- 5 -

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
MacMillan

- 5 -

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

ITEM # 4

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM # 5

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that this item be approved. Motion passed.

TAG DAYS

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February 13, 1951.

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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USE OF CITY CREST

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

A request from the Halifax Press Club for permission to use the City's Coat of Arms on its membership cards was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee, at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

WATERSHED

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Mr. Ira P. Macnab, Manager of The Public Service Commission appeared before the Finance and Executive Committee, at a meeting held on the above date, requesting authority to continue investigations with a view to purchasing all the property now privately owned on the Chain Lake and Long Lake Watersheds.

It was agreed to recommend that the request be granted with the understanding that the total sum involved will not exceed \$300,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

MEDICAL EXAMINATION NEW EMPLOYEES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Commissioner of Health respect-

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ing Medical Examinations for new employees of the City was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee, at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 13th, 1951.

Chairman and Members,
Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:--

At the last meeting of your Finance and Executive Committee, I was requested to report on the matter of requiring new employees of the City to undergo a medical examination before being accepted for employment.

The following are my recommendations in this matter:

1. That an examination be carried out only on a person whom the Head of the Department expects to recommend for appointment, and not all of the applicants. Remarks: This is the present practice in the Police and Fire Departments as we found that very frequently we had a very large number of applicants, and that we were examining many people who would not be appointed to the vacancy.
2. That the examination of the members of the staff other than the Health Department should be done by the Commissioner of Health, or a senior medical member of his staff. That the examination of Health Department employees should be done by a physician in the employ of the Department of Health, but not the Commissioner of Health who would be the person who would be recommending the appointment.
3. That under the agreement with the Civic Union the question of examination when disputed and the payment of this for an additional physician outside the employ of the City when they are called upon should be borne by the employee themselves.
4. That a form of examination be drawn up, this form to be used for all Civic Departments, and that this form should be as complete as possible and of a standard acceptable to the Trust Company which is administering superannuation funds.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan R. Morton, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.P.H.A.,
Commissioner of Public Health & Welfare.

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

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SUPERANNUATION FUND

Halifax, N. S.,
February 13, 1951.

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 funds set aside during the year 1944 to establish a Pension Plan was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

In the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia of 1944, Chapter 46, Section 15, the City was permitted to set aside one hundred and fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000.) from the Reserve Fund to establish a pension plan.

As this fund is still intact, I would suggest that we now obtain the necessary legislation to have this amount, plus the interest that has accrued since that time, apply to the plan that was approved by City Council on the 28th of December 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

Legislation was submitted covering this matter as follows:

Item 60

(1) The City may apply the sum of \$150,000.00, formerly constituting the "Reserve Fund" of the City, together with the interest accumulated upon such sum, towards the contribution of the City to be made under the Superannuation Plan approved by the City Council on the 28th day of December, A. D. 1950.

(2) Section 15 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1944 is repealed.

(Explanatory note: This sum was set aside in 1944 for the purpose of helping to defray the City's contribution to any superannuation plan to be adopted. The section setting this fund aside

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provided that any plan must be "satisfactory to the City and the employees thereof." In order to remove any doubt as to whether every one of the employees is satisfied with the plan adopted December 28th, 1950, this legislation is proposed to release these funds.")

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

February 5, 1951.

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:

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Howard's Limited	\$ 1,609.65
Parke, Davis & Company, Ltd.	277.47
Johnson & Johnson Limited	209.52
Howard's Limited	1,054.89

INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL

Howard's Limited	\$ 284.87
Lederle Laboratories Division	935.50
Wood Brothers Co. Limited	329.04

CITY HOME

Scotia Flour & Feed Co., Ltd.	\$ 639.02
J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd.	2,139.25
Cartier Chemical Co. Limited	256.50
The Canadian Laundry Machinery Co. Ltd.	496.30

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR HEATING STOREROOM T. B. HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
February 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date tenders for the supply and installation

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of heating equipment in the storeroom at the rear of the Tuberculosis Hospital were submitted as follows:

H. M. Semple and Company	\$ 920.00
R. G. Peek	942.20
John J. Hines and Company	1,037.00

Your Committee recommends that the lowest tender be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR GROCERIES

Halifax, N. S.,
February 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

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

Howard's Limited	\$8,404.44
R. B. Seaton & Co. Ltd.	7,879.38
Scotia Flour and Feed Co. Ltd	8,700.50

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 Fox, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
February 8, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the following account was approved and recommended for payment:

Safety Supply Company	\$ 721.00
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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS UNIFORMS ETC. FIRE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
February 8, 1951.

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 from the Chief of the Fire Department recommending acceptance of the following tenders for uniform clothing for members of his Department:

Clayton's Limited	uniform suits	\$ 39.20	each
"	uniform trousers	12.10	"
"	overcoats	28.75	"
Gordon B. Isnor	Tooke shirts	5.95	"
Colwell Bros.	Maar Caps	4.15	"

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

February 9th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 6th, 1951, the following accounts were approved, subject to audit, and recommended for payment:-

Burns Fisheries Ltd.	\$ 1295.80
Canadian General Electric Co. Ltd.	1381.81
Canadian National Railways	504.17
General Equipment Ltd.	690.00
Dept. of Highways and Public Works	992.80
Hillis and Sons Ltd.	650.30
"	582.75
"	716.34
Milton Hersey Co. Ltd.	2692.00
Provincial Motors Ltd.	630.00
Standard Paving Maritime Ltd.	2776.59
Workmen's Compensation Board	

Respectfully submitted,

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

February 15, 1951.

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

FINAL CERTIFICATE

February 9th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February
6th 1951, the attached certificate recommending payment to
W. G. Foley and Son Ltd., of the amount of \$2156.30, being
final payment on their contract for erecting a Killing Plant,
was approved and recommended to Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

ADJUSTMENT ACCOUNT STREET LIGHTING

January 20th, 1951.

Adjustment Bill-Nova Scotia Light & Power Co. Ltd.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on January
16th, the attached account submitted by the City Electrician,
amounting to \$9,980.69, payable to the Nova Scotia Light and
Power Co. Ltd., was approved for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

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CLAIM MR. E. K. MacKAY

February 9th, 1951.

Claim - Mr. Edwin K. MacKay

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 6th 1951, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works on a claim from Mr. MacKay for \$40.00 to cover blackberry bushes removed from his property at Regina Terrace, was considered.

The Committee recommended that this claim be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

CLAIM FOR DAMAGE TO SIDEWALK

February 9th, 1951.

Release of Claim for Damage to Sidewalk

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 6th 1951, a cheque for \$23.12 in full payment of the City's claim for damage to the sidewalk by Hoyts Moving and Storage Ltd., was accepted and the Committee recommended 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 Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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TENDERS FOR FIRE ALARM SYSTEM CITY HALL

February 1st, 1951.

Re: Fire Alarm System - City Hall

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on January 30th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that the City Electrician be given authority to place an order with the Northern Electric Co. Ltd., for fire alarm equipment for City Hall, amounting to \$1,246.15, was considered.

The Committee 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 Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR MURRAY PROPERTY QUINPOOL ROAD

February 2, 1951.

Tenders - Murray Property -
650 Quinpool Road.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on January 30th, the following tenders for the purchase and removal of the building on the Murray property were considered.

W. D. McGrath - Remove the building and fill in the foundation.

Con Easton ---- \$1,000.00 and remove the building in 30 days according to the conditions set down by the City.

J. Gray - - - - \$160.00

The Committee recommended that the highest tender received from Con Easton be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, Clerk of Works.

February 15, 1951.

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

STREET ACCEPTANCE

February 9th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 6th 1951, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works was considered.

The Committee approved the report, with the exception of Falkland Street, and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

February 6th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

1. The attached plans and covering letters show certain existing streets which have never been officially accepted and which, we feel, should be accepted.
2. In all cases certain encroachments exist, most of which are not very serious.
3. On Briar Lane, Davis Street and Flinn Street, the official street lines have been established and the only encroachments are some fences, walks or stone walls. It may be necessary to purchase small pieces of land on these streets to establish ownership.
4. Bayers Road is clear with the exception of one house which will be moved this year.
5. Falkland Street, between Brunswick Street and Maitland Street, is only ten feet (10') wide. An additional fifteen feet (15') can be obtained on the south side over the entire length with the exception of the Brunswick Street corner where a building exists.
6. The following recommendations are made:-
 - (a) That Briar Lane from the South Street Line of Annandale Street to Sackville Street, be accepted.
 - (b) That Davis Street be officially accepted.

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- (c) That Flinn Street, from MacDonald Street to Churchill Drive, be officially accepted.
- (d) That the proposed widening of Falkland Street, from Brunswick Street to Maitland Street, to twenty-five feet (25') be approved and that notice of the alteration in the South Street Line be advertised.
- (e) That Bayers Road, from Windsor Street to Oxford Street, be officially accepted.
- (f) That the City Assessor be authorized to negotiate for the purchase of any land involved.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

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

STREET LIGHTING

February 15th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:- Street Lighting - Poplar Street

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 12th, 1951, the attached report from the City Electrician recommending that the present street lights on Poplar Street be re-located, and three additional lights similar to those now installed on this street be added, at an installation cost of approximately \$95.00, was considered.

The Committee 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 Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SEWER EXTENSION SHIRLEY STREET

February 15th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February

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12th, 1951, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending a 60 foot sewer extension on Shirley Street at an estimated cost of \$500.00 was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 12th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

An application was received from Mr. Hedley G. Ivany, who is building three dwellings in the subdivision at Shirley Street and Robie Street, requesting a sewer extension on Shirley Street.

The length of sewer required is 60 feet, estimated cost \$500. and estimated assessment \$212.50.

It is therefore recommended that this sewer extension be ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

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

SEWER EXTENSION INGLIS STREET ETC.

February 15th, 1951.

Sewer Extension - Inglis Street and
Ritchie Drive

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 12th, 1951, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that sewers be installed on Inglis Street at an estimated cost of \$6,750.00 and Ritchie Drive at an estimated cost of \$5,600.00, to serve the new subdivision of Greenwood, was considered.

The Committee 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.

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February 12th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

An application dated February 9th, has been received from the Eastern Trust Company requesting the installation of a sewer on Inglis Street, and also on Ritchie Drive, to serve the new subdivision of Greenwood.

The Eastern Trust Company states that they are making arrangements with the Public Service Commission for the installation of water mains.

INGLIS STREET - Beaufort Avenue to 655 feet eastwardly. The estimated cost to construct this sewer is approximately \$6,750.00 for an estimated length of 655 feet. The estimated assessment is \$2,750.00.

RITCHIE DRIVE From Beaufort Avenue to 560 feet eastwardly. The estimated cost to construct this sewer is \$5,600.00, for an estimated length of 560 feet. The estimated assessment is \$2,600.00.

It is therefore recommended that the above two mentioned sewers be ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

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

ILLUMINATED SIGNS

February 15th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 12th, 1951, the attached report from the Building Inspector recommending that the following signs be allowed to be erected was approved and recommended to the City Council:

D. Rafuse	- 51 Hollis Street	\$ 5.00
Lucien Dupere	- 582 Barrington St.	5.00
Halifax Neon Signs Ltd.	- 62 Hollis Street	5.00
" " " "	- 203 Agricola Street	5.00
Coco Cola Company	- 498 Robie Street	5.00
Atlantic Garage	- 200 Agricola Street	5.00
F. R. White	- 53 Cornwallis St.	5.00
Household Finance Corporation	- 55 Cornwallis St.	5.00

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

February 15, 1951.

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

ORNAMENTAL TREE LIST #2 - 1950

FILED

RESUBDIVISION ZINCK PROPERTY BAYERS ROAD ETC.

February 15th, 1951.

Resubdivision - George E. Zinck
Bayers Road and Young Street.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on February 12th, 1951, the attached Plan No. 00-5-11634, showing resub-division of the property of George E. Zinck, Bayers Road and Young Street, was presented for a public hearing.

As no objections to the Plan were received the Board recommended to Council that the resubdivision be approved and the necessary By-Laws prepared for submission and approval of the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
February 7, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Housing Accommodation Committee at a meeting held on the above date approved and recommended the payment of the following accounts.

Stanley Lohnes	\$ 246.40
C. S. Barkhouse	526.40
West End Supplies Ltd.	521.22

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

February 15, 1951.

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

MUNICIPAL FRANCHISE

Halifax, N. S.,
January 31, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Special Committee appointed to consider matters respecting the Municipal Franchise reports as follows:

1. Granting Municipal Franchise to all persons of the full age of twenty-one years.

In the opinion of your Committee, this would prove too cumbersome and costly, due to the fact that it would be necessary to have a full time Registrar of Voters with sufficient staff, two lists of voters would be required, one a general list and one for ratepayers as numerous plebiscites would be required in cases of capital expenditures where ratepayers only would be permitted to vote.

2. Voting by wives and husbands of taxpayers.

It is respectfully suggested that this privilege can now be granted under existing provisions of the City Charter, whereby a wife and husband may be assessed either by owning the real estate jointly or severally or if either party is the occupant of the premises and assessed for occupancy tax or assessed for a poll tax in the year preceding the year in which election is held.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles A. Vaughan,
CHAIRMAN.

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

Alderman Hatfield: "The Committee went into the subject quite fully. In the other meeting I attempted to have subsections "C" and "D" of Section 30 of the City Charter removed. That is requiring taxes to be paid before you have a vote. I want to press that home. There is another change in the Charter at this time."

His Worship the Mayor: "Since the Committee met I received a letter and the Chairman got a letter also. I think in due deference the matter should go to the Committee."

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Alderman Vaughan: "All the claims made in the letter were fully covered by our meeting. I think the report as tabled tonight is the considered opinion of our Committee on the question of franchise."

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't want the matter to die because I have to get legal opinion on the letter I received. We don't want to just throw it out."

Alderman Vaughan: "Who is trying to correct the franchise? The only appeal for broadening the right to vote has come from one organization. That organization is not a large one. I can find no widespread dissension among the tax payers over that. Why we should defer this is beyond my comprehension."

Alderman Abbott: "I read the report and it is a very fine report. Alderman Vaughan and his Committee should be congratulated. I want to go on record as favoring it."

Alderman Kitz: "All I am suggesting by my remarks towards is whether tax payers shall have the right to vote. A large proportion of tax payers according to our regulations do not have the right to vote. We have 4 kinds of tax payers viz: Poll Tax, Household Tax, Real Estate Tax and Business Tax payers. Our law as it now stands says a real estate tax payer can be in arrears of taxes up to 3 years and still vote. All I am suggesting is that the same right be given to Householders. The amount of taxes we have written off for Household as uncollectible is a small proportion. Why should we give a greater right to Real Estate owners than Householders? About 15 years ago unless Real Estate Tax payers had their taxes paid up they had no vote. We have corrected that."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Breen that persons or corporations shall have the right to vote if they were assessed in the preceding year in which the election is held and that the necessary legislation be obtained.

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His Worship the Mayor: "We are entitled to have that letter read. I would send the whole thing back to Committee and have these matters gone into."

Alderman Vaughan: "You commissioned a group of Aldermen to do a certain job. That group did the job. Why should one organization be allowed to delay the City's business. They had the opportunity to present any submission to the Committee. Why was that submission not made. We felt it was not wise to accede to the request. We had filed our report with the City Clerk. Why should I bring that letter to Council?"

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman MacMillan that the matter be deferred for one month.

The amendment was put and lost 3 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Fox
Macdonald
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
Hatfield
Kitz
Moriarty
Vaughan

- 3 -

- 7 -

Alderman MacMillan: "This report is not entirely correct. I believe it should be referred back to the Committee. As one of the members of the Committee I believe it is not correct."

Alderman Hatfield: "Section 32 of the Charter should be amended."

Moved by Alderman Adams that the question be now put.

His Worship the Mayor: "Matters of changing the Charter should go back to the Committee that brought in the report."

Alderman Fox: "Alderman MacMillan said the report is wrong."

Alderman Hatfield: "Section 32 of the Charter should read 'City of Halifax and His Majesty the King.' People in the Westmount Subdivision and prefabs are buying under an agreement of sale. That is why I want this section amended."

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Alderman MacMillan: "Has anyone read this report aloud? This letter was received from a Women's Organization I suppose sponsoring the idea of extending the vote to women. The City Assessor informs me certain machinery can be put in operation whereby the wives of Real Estate tax payers can be accorded a vote by filling in a form that she owns certain household effects. That does not take in the Poll Tax. The one who pays it gets the vote."

Alderman Vaughan: "That should not be there, the words 'or assessed for Poll Tax.' They should be deleted." This was agreed to.

Alderman Kitz: "The amendment I made has nothing to do with this. My amendment stands on its own feet. I am only trying to correct a situation whereby a lot of people are disfranchised."

The amendment was then put and passed 6 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Moriarty
Breen
Kitz
Fox
Hatfield
MacMillan

- 6 -

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Vaughan

- 4 -

The motion was then put and passed 6 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Hatfield
Macdonald
MacMillan
Vaughan

- 6 -

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Fox
Kitz
Moriarty

- 4 -

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that section 32 of the City Charter be amended by inserting the words 'City of Halifax and His Majesty the King' immediately following the word 'Halifax' in the 2nd line thereof.

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Alderman Abbott: "Is it in order to put a motion before the Council that is not on the agenda?"

His Worship the Mayor suggested to Alderman Hatfield that he give a notice of motion.

Alderman Hatfield then gave notice that he would move at the next meeting of Council the following resolution:
"that section 32 of the City Charter be amended by inserting the words 'City of Halifax and His Majesty the King' immediately following the word 'Halifax' in the 2nd line thereof.

CIVIL DEFENCE COMMITTEE

January 24, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Advisory Committee on Civil Defence for the City of Halifax, directs me to make the following recommendations to Council:

- (1) That a Halifax District Civic Defence Control Committee be appointed with the following members:

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax, Chairman
Deputy Mayor J. H. Breen
His Worship, the Mayor of Dartmouth
Warden of the Municipality of the County of Halifax
I. P. Macnab
C. H. Colwell
R. J. Rankin
H. W. L. Doane
W. W. Downie
A. M. MacKay
A. M. Murphy
R. J. R. Nelson
I. B. McCallum
H. R. Wyman
L. W. Fraser

- (2) That a Planning Committee for Civil Defence be appointed with the following membership:

F. L. Houghton, Chairman
E. J. Vickery, Vice-Chairman
Fire Chief, F. C. MacGillivray
Police Chief, Verdun Mitchell
City Solicitor, C. P. Bethune
Commissioner of Works, A. C. Harris
Commissioner of Public Health & Welfare, Dr. A. R. Morton
Norman T. Smith
H. A. Pickering
Stanley Frederick

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- (3) That Miss Florence Grant of Halifax, N. S., be engaged as Stenographer at Civil Defence Headquarters, with Grade III classification, effective from January 15, 1951.

Yours truly,

Leonard W. Fraser,
Chairman, Advisory Committee
Civil Defence.

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

APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES

His Worship the Mayor asked Council to confirm appointments to Committees as follows:

<u>Finance & Executive Committee</u>	Alderman C. F. Abbott " C. A. Vaughan
<u>Safety Committee</u>	Alderman A. H. MacMillan G. C. Fox
<u>Public Health & Welfare Committee</u>	Alderman B. M. Hatfield
<u>Special Committee re Grants for Education</u>	Alderman B. M. Hatfield
<u>Special Committee re Franchise</u>	Alderman A. H. MacMillan
<u>Memorial Library Committee</u>	Alderman A. H. MacMillan
<u>Superannuation Retirement Committee</u>	Alderman B. M. Hatfield

This was agreed to by Council.

LETTER HALIFAX NORTH CIVIC IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION
RE: STREET PAVING

118 Dublin Street,
Halifax, N. S.,
Feb. 10th - 51.

W. P. Publicover, Esq.,
City Clerk,
City Hall,

Dear Sir:-

I have been requested by the above Association to send you the attached communication which is a copy of the original, received from Mr. Royden Colter, Executive Director, for the City of Saint John, New Brunswick.

Our Association requests that the City Council will study this official report and if it is worthwhile economically, for the City of Halifax to own our plant and do our own paving. We sincerely, urge that steps be taken immediately to create this

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advantage that has proven exceedingly economical and satisfactory for the City of Saint John.

Yours truly,

D. L. Hanneberry,
Secretary.

Office of Executive Director

City of Saint John, N.B.

December 20th, 1950.

Mr. D. L. Hanneberry,
Halifax North Civic Improvement Association,
118 Dublin Street,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Hanneberry:-

On December 9th, you wrote me requesting certain information relative to the operation of our Works Department, particularly as it concerns street paving. The cost of grading gravel roads in Saint John, preparing them for paving averages 29¢ per sq. yd. Where it is necessary to remove rock and clay the grading cost sometimes reaches \$1.26 per sq. yd.

Our standard asphalt street consists of 2 inches of binder or base course with one-inch wearing course of stone-filled sheet asphalt. The cost of laying this three inches of asphalt is \$1.05 per sq. yd.

Asphalt sidewalks consist of 1-3/4 inches of binder and 3/4 inches sand seal. The grading and asphaltting of sidewalks is done by hand and the cost per sq. yd. is \$1.98.

We have the following equipment and machinery used for asphalt paving:

Asphalt plant, capacity - 2,000 lbs. batch	\$ 45,000.00
Steam Boiler, Bins, Conveyors, Storage Tanks, etc.	23,000.00
1 Penetrator Asphalt Maintenance Kettle - Trailer Type	900.00
5 Tool Heaters Oil, 2 Wheel Trailer Type	500.00
1 Buffalo Springfield Tandem - Hercules Gasoline Motor Engine 1610894 - Model JKDOKT	7,000.00
1 Buffalo Springfield Steam Boiler - 12 tons	500.00
1 Barber Greene Asphalt Finisher	13,000.00
1 Jaeger #125 Air Compressor	3,160.00
1 #112 Caterpillar Diesel Motor Grader	13,500.00
1 CH & E Tandem Gasoline Roller - 3 ton	2,800.00
1 4-Wheel Ingersoll-Rand Compressor	1,000.00
1 Champion Road Grader	13,300.00

For your information, I would advise that the difference between the last contract price for paving in our city, compared with the cost to the City for doing its own paving during the first two years we owned our plant, paid for the asphalt plant. We have also found that it has many advantages, one being the maintenance of streets and sidewalks. It also relieves us of many past disagreements between contractors and our engineers

Yours very truly,
(Signed E. Royden Colter,
Executive Director.

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman MacMillan the letter be referred to the Committee on Works. Motion passed.

LETTER HALIFAX NORTH CIVIC IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION
Re: QUALIFICATIONS ALDERMAN REDMOND

118 Dublin Street,
Halifax, N. S.,
Feb. 10th - 51.

His Worship,
Mayor G. S. Kinley and
City Council,
City Hall.

Gentlemen:-

I have been requested to send you the following resolution which was passed at a regular meeting of the above Association.

"The Secretary will write the Mayor and City Council and ask them to investigate the circumstances in connection with the charges made by a certain Mr. White, quote 'that Alderman Bert Redmond had become disqualified to serve as an Alderman through the violation of a particular section of the City Charter' unquote.

Our Association requests that the Mayor and City Council will advise us when the investigation has been completed, whether or not, a violation was made that disqualifies Alderman Bert Redmond to serve as an Alderman.

Yours truly,

D. L. Hanneberry,
Secretary.

His Worship the Mayor: "Alderman Redmond's Solicitor contacted me today and said the matter was in the courts and we will have to wait for a ruling from the court before any further action is taken."

FILED

PETITIONS Re: RENTS WELLINGTON COURT AND
SHELTERS NORTH BARRINGTON STREET

Petitions were submitted from the tenants at Wellington Court and the Shelters on North Barrington Street requesting Council to reconsider its decision to raise the rents.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the petitions be referred to the Housing Accommodation Committee for consideration and report. Motion passed.

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REPORT HALIFAX FORUM COMMISSION

Alderman Vaughan stated that the Forum Commission is required to table a report of its operation for the preceding year on February 15th. but as yet he has not received same.

His Worship the Mayor: "The Chairman has been sick. I know the auditors are working and a report is ready. I would ask Council to wait till the next meeting and we will give you an audited report."

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE TO INTERVIEW THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT Re: GRANTS TOWARDS HOUSING PROJECTS

Alderman Hatfield: "I would like to have a Committee appointed to interview the Provincial Government on the matter of grants for housing."

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the Housing Accommodation Committee be delegated to interview the Provincial Government on this matter within a period of two weeks. Motion passed.

REPORT Re: CITY HOME SURVEY

Alderman Macdonald: "Has any action been taken regarding the report of the survey made at the City Home?"

Dr. Morton: "The Public Health & Welfare Committee recommended that a Special Council meeting be held to consider it."

Alderman Fox: "I would like to commend the Committee on that report."

Alderman Macdonald: "All phases of the operation of the Institution were studied by your Committee. The report is in the hands of the Aldermen. There are two factors that should be given early consideration viz: (1) The necessity of improving the conditions for the mentally ill and (2) Grants from the Governments to erect the institutions."

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report be accepted by Council and a date set for the study of the whole matter. Motion passed.

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APPROVAL OF BORROWING \$15,000.00 SPRINKLER SYSTEM
AND FIRE ALARM CONNECTION CITY HALL

Halifax, January 23, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover,
Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Publicover: Re: Borrowing \$15,000 Sprinkler System
in City Hall Fire Alarm connection

I enclose for your records one copy of the above borrowing resolution on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley,
Deputy Minister.

FILED

TENDERS FOR LAND

A report respecting the above subject which was deferred from the last regular meeting was considered.

Alderman Fox: "This lot of land on the East Side of Connaught Avenue, 50 x 75. There is no place in Halifax that I know of where you can buy any kind of a lot for that amount of money. A lot of people are just waiting to see an advertisement whereby they can put in a tender. I would like to see the tender produced in Council where that award was made to W. A. Andrews."

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the whole matter be re-advertised.

His Worship the Mayor: "This was advertised."

City Assessor: "It was advertised some time ago and there were no tenders. It was advertised about 5 years ago. The offer received was the only one."

The motion was then put and passed.

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF JANUARY

Civic Reserves Year	O/S Bal. Dec. 31/50.	New Accounts and Adjustments.	January Collections	O/S Bal. Jan. 31/51	
1947	\$11,706.14	11,774.71 \$Cr.	68.57 \$	198.17 \$	11,507.97
1948	58,584.26	66,354.37 Cr.	154.16	3,726.69	62,473.52
1949	70,552.78	164,819.16 Cr.	88.50	7,095.16	157,635.50
1950	70,065.75	384,438.97 Dr.	14,298.20	33,333.56	365,403.61
		\$ 627,387.21 Dr.	13,986.97	\$44,353.58	\$597,020.60

Poll Taxes

1943-44	22,565.03		17.50	22,547.53
1944-45	3,310.85	Dr.	11.00	3,217.30
1950	2,462.01	Dr.	20.00	1,866.80
				615.21

Additional Collections:

	1951	1950
Arrears 1925-26 to 1946	146.32	
Corresponding Period Last Year		1,096.89
Collection as per statement above	44,353.58	
Corresponding Period Last Year		50,427.67
	<u>\$44,499.90</u>	<u>\$51,524.56</u>

Collection Poll Taxes Jan 1st to 31st, 1951	\$4,177.18
Corresponding Period Last Year	<u>\$4,159.08</u>

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

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LEGISLATION 1951

PARAGRAPH 14, Page 6 Draft Legislation for 1951

The following legislation was submitted:

Subsections (3) and (4) of Section 690 are repealed.

Approved.

PARAGRAPH 34, Page 15 Draft Legislation for 1951
(Building Contractors)

This item was deferred until the next meeting of the Council.

PENSIONS MESSRS. BRUSHETT & DURRANT

Alderman Vaughan: "That matter should have gone to the Finance and Executive Committee. Some action has to be taken within the next few days. Inasmuch as these two requests are the first we had for grants in lieu of pension since the inception of our plan, particular care should be taken that these members who will be granted allowances, should not receive more than another person who contributed to the fund for similar service. Mr. Durrant was employed for 8 years. He was 63 years of age when he was employed. Mr. Bellew recommended \$1,000.00 a year. I seriously suggest to Council that if we grant this allowance, other members who have since joined the plan might well say 'why should I pay into the plan when Mr. So and So gets a grant.' There are several members who are just about ready to come up for pension. I believe the policy to be laid down would have far reaching results if we don't scrutinize this very closely. A man who has been employed for 8 or 9 years and who can get \$1,000.00 without contributing cannot compare with a man in the Police Department with 29 or 30 years service.

Mr. Brushett, I believe, had 16 years service. If the pension had been in effect he would get no more than 32% of his average earnings over those years. We are giving him \$960.00 a year. I do suggest that these two grants do warrant very close examination because I believe our principle will be

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affected for years. We should defer this to the Finance and Executive Committee."

Alderman Fox: "It is too bad that the matter was not considered about a year ago when real money was handed out. This fireman is a complete cripple on crutches. He attributes his injury while in the City employ. I believe he should get what has been recommended.

Mr. Durrant is a man 72 years of age. The best he could expect out of life is not going to be too long. Those matters in both cases should be taken into consideration."

Alderman Vaughan: "The tables put out by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company say a man who is 72 has a life expectancy of 80. This man would draw \$8,000.00 for 8 years. He would not get more than 16 or 18 percent since 1945."

The matter was then referred to the Finance and Executive Committee.

GRANTS

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Kitz that all grants be considered at once at the Finance and Executive Committee when considering estimates. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION YOUNG AVENUE

The Assistant City Solicitor read legislation covering the above item.

Alderman Breen: "Is that in accordance with what Council passed? I think it dealt solely with Young Avenue. This takes in 180 feet. I don't think it was the intention."

Alderman Fox: "I believe this Act should have been drawn up to conform with the minutes of that meeting."

Alderman Kitz: "Take out the 180 feet."

Alderman Breen: "Who added that?"

Assistant City Solicitor: "It will be redrafted and brought back."

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LEGISLATION SMOKING IN STORES ETC.

The Assistant City Solicitor read legislation covering the above matter.

Agreed to by Council.

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

Meeting adjourned.

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Gordon S. Kinley,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN


W. P. PUBLICOVER,
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
February 26, 1951.

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, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Kitz, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

The meeting was called specially to consider:

1. Motion Alderman Hatfield re Amendment to Section 32 of the City Charter.
2. 1951 Estimates.

MOTION ALDERMAN HATFIELD Re: AMENDMENT SECTION
32 CITY CHARTER

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that section 32 of the City Charter be amended by inserting the words "His Majesty the King, the City of Halifax" immediately following the word "Halifax" in the second line thereof and that the necessary legislation be secured.

Alderman Hatfield: "This is to give the owners of prefabs and those in the Westmount subdivision the right to vote as they are buying their homes under an agreement of sale from the City of Halifax and His Majesty the King. This brings it closer to a universal franchise."

Alderman Breen arrives 8:05 P. M.

Alderman DeWolf: "That is no reason why anyone else who bought under an agreement of sale should not have the right to vote the same as these people."

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The City Assessor explained Section 32 for the information of Council.

Alderman DeWolf: "Is it the intention that the agreement be recorded before they have a vote? If not, they could be passed on. There should be a recorded ownership. When you come to other people who have bought from private individuals they are not allowed a vote. You should do it in all cases. I don't think we should deny them the same right."

Alderman Breen: "It seems those people will never be a property owner."

Alderman Kitz: "If they buy for \$10,000.00 under an agreement of sale they will not get a deed until the last cent is paid. I think Alderman Hatfield is on sound ground when he makes this motion for people who have entered into this agreement."

Alderman Breen: "They would not have a vote until they are assessed."

Alderman Hatfield: "They will be assessed."

Alderman Vaughan: "Did the Halifax Relief Commission sell their houses under the same kind of an agreement. How are they affected?"

City Assessor: "They are still dealt with as the Halifax Relief Commission. The bills go there."

Alderman Vaughan: "Then the Halifax Relief Commission should also be added to the motion."

Alderman Hatfield as mover agreed to this inclusion.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT
Alderman Breen

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ESTIMATES 1951

Estimates for the Civic Year 1951 were submitted amounting to \$5,703,190.40 showing an increase of \$690,235.31 over the previous year.

Alderman Fox: "There are several Aldermen who have not seen a copy of the estimates as yet. It does not seem fair."

His Worship the Mayor: "Are you suggesting that information is being withheld this year?"

Alderman Fox: "No. But it is a poor way to conduct the City's business; that is all I can say."

His Worship the Mayor: "The finalized copies were not in here until the Finance Committee had finished with them."

Alderman Fox: "I have not suggested that any information was withheld. A meeting of this type should require at least 2 or 3 days to look them over. We did that with the salaries."

Alderman Vaughan: "Is this any different than in any other year? The Committees dealt with these estimates. Most Aldermen are on two committees. Certainly they know something of what is in the estimates tonight."

His Worship the Mayor: "They were duly processed in Committee. From there they went to Finance and from there up to Council. The estimates were public property since they started in Committee. They have been used as a political football for the last few weeks."

With regard to the prefab money, it seems that it is not available. I studied these from cover to cover. The press printed today that the School Board estimates were so much and that there was an increase of so much but they did not study the second page about capital borrowings and the vocational school maintenance. I am laboring the thought that you as Aldermen and I as Mayor are bound to tell the citizens the truth and I am prepared to do that no matter what happens. I will stick to that. If the people want me to continue as Mayor that is their prerogative. I came to

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Council with the idea that we would have to have a \$5.00 rate to hold the business rate. I threw out the suggestion. The reason for that was that in going over the estimates I find the School Board estimates run nearly \$2,000,000.00 of a \$6,000,000.00 budget.

We discussed the Sales Tax and the people did not want it. We pitched it out. That was sound business. The \$5.00 rate is out not because I said so, but because Council did not pass the legislation so we could get the rate changed.

We could cut everything 20% but the Finance Minister said we could not do it. I think he has something that will bring it within the amount I was thinking of. There will be \$1.50 either on the real estate or business rate. It is for Council to advise. I want it given to the citizens. The Mayor is not forcing these things down the Aldermen's throats. He is taking direction from them. \$4,000,000.00 roughly is fixed charges you can't touch. I am going to pass it to Mr. Bellew and let him tell us what he has in mind."

Mr. Bellew suggested the following cuts in the estimates:

School Board Maintenance	\$ 15,000.00
City Home	" 5,000.00
Police	" 4,000.00
Streets	" 15,000.00
Internal Health	10,000.00 and to
Increase the Poll Tax by	5,000.00 from the Current
Surplus Account which would reduce the estimates by \$104,000.00.	

Alderman Breen: "What is the overall increase in grants this year?"

Mr. Bellew: "\$29,000.00."

Alderman Kitz: "I am strongly opposed to taking the recommendations of the Commissioner of Finance as a means of reducing our expenditures. He is going entirely beyond his prerogative. We have gone over them in the past page by page. It is not doing our job of work."

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His Worship the Mayor: "You can do it any way at all."

Alderman DeWolf: "What were the collections of Poll Tax? Was it over \$90,000.00?"

Mr. Bellew: "Yes and the arrears were included."

His Worship the Mayor: "Did you collect in previous years the amount set in the budget?"

Mr. Bellew: "Never in any one year. It amounts to more than what is in the budget. If you collect in 1950 or 1949 it goes against the year you budgetted for."

Alderman DeWolf: "What is the assessable amount?"

City Assessor: "\$116,000.00."

Alderman Abbott: "It has been suggested that we go over the estimates item by item. The Finance and Executive Committee did that. We have about \$4,000,000.00 in fixed charges that cannot be touched. That leaves \$2,000,000.00 to par down. I would suggest cribbing 10% right across the Board."

Alderman Vaughan: "I wonder if this paring is going to do anything on the rate. If we take \$15,000.00 off streets, next year we will need \$30,000.00. The streets have been starved. We borrowed under 316 "C" to do Connaught Avenue. What's the point in paying these men's salaries if they have no money to work with?"

His Worship the Mayor: "When I came in the first year I was faced with what I called untruthful expenditures of the City of Halifax. We have an increase this year due to progressive work in the City which I don't think any Alderman would want to say we should not have done it. We are a big City. We are faced with taxing on a fixed rate and a floating rate. I can go back to 1939 when we discussed the fixed rate and we fought for a 3% rate. The prime objection in Council was that the war was on and the Finance Minister would not allow it. A compromise was made and we got the \$3.50 rate and the floating rate was \$5.00. We said we would try to protect the business man's rate from going above the \$5.00. The other argument I get is this: the business men

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say I own a business and a home, I would rather have the increase on my business because the Government will most likely cut in 40% but on my home I have no chance of getting it back. The citizens are thinking. I don't think the budget even at $6\frac{1}{2}$ million dollars is an excessive budget considering the increase in lighting, schools and improved services we have in this City over the past 5 years. I think it has been done very economically."

Alderman Kitz: "You made the suggestion that we have a \$5.00 real estate tax rate. Where did the figure of \$5.00 come from. Be realistic. It did not come from the floor. It came from yourself."

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Fox that the estimates be considered schedule by schedule.

His Worship the Mayor to Alderman Kitz: "You have sufficient knowledge of the Charter and legislation to realize that the Chairman suggests and the body acts. It has been used as a boomerang for an election. I made it in good faith. I was guided by the year before. Business men said the residential rate was too low."

Alderman Fox: "In your pre-budget speech parts of it I agree with. You said the time has come when we must go on a pay as we go policy. It is too bad that that was not adopted 2 years ago. On paring down the estimates; next meeting we will be borrowing again. I don't think I have seen as much over expending by Departments as in this year gone by. That is why I made the remark at the last meeting. This year it came in the very last minute."

The motion was then put and passed.

SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES

Alderman Vaughan: "The City is bearing a large proportion for the Vocational School. The School Board went over the estimates very carefully. I feel that it would not be fair to cut down on this because it is affecting the future citizens of the City of Halifax. If anything is to be cut, let it not be the children's welfare."

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Alderman Hatfield: "Mr. Bellew suggested cutting the maintenance item. I would like him to explain that."

Mr. Bellew: "Last year the Council took \$33,000.00 and they got along alright. They have increased the maintenance by \$25,000.00 and I thought they would get by with less."

Alderman Abbott: "That is one of the last items I would want to see cut down. That is the reason why they are high now because they were cut down in years gone by. Some of our schools a few years ago were in a deplorable condition. The increase is in salaries and that can't be touched. There are 43 new classrooms. We might be able to cut down fuel if we could anticipate a mild winter."

Alderman DeWolf: "I would not consider \$15,000.00 entirely out of the question. During the past 5 or 6 years much more than normal has been spent on the schools because of the smaller amount paid out prior to that time. I would not like to think that this amount keeps adding up year after year. There must come a peak when the schools are up to date. We have a lot of new schools today. If we reduced this by \$15,000.00 I don't think they will suffer very much. 6 years ago it was \$25,000.00."

Alderman Vaughan: "Broken down it gives \$9200.00 for a building which is not considered high. Alexandra had to be condemned because of lack of maintenance over the years. These maintenance costs are not very high in replacing these buildings today."

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Kitz that \$15,000.00 be cut from the Maintenance item.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Adams
DeWolf
Duffy
Fox
Hatfield
Kitz
Macdonald
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Breen
Vaughan

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Alderman Hatfield: "There should be something cut off the Fire Insurance."

Mr. Bellew: "That is because of the 3 year period."

Alderman DeWolf: "They said it was on account of the new schools and some advance in the insurance on the older schools."

Alderman Macdonald: "Is there any reduction in schools where sprinkler systems are installed?"

Alderman Vaughan: "That will be shown in the new policy."

Mr. Bellew: "They are not all in yet."

Alderman Hatfield: "How much was spent on fuel oil last year?"

Alderman Abbott: "If these estimates are going to be gone over item by item, I think Dr. Morehouse should be here. No Commissioner can answer those questions."

Alderman Kitz: "The increase in the vocational school maintenance of \$30,000.00; is that automatic?"

His Worship the Mayor: "It means operating it as a full time unit or cutting it on a part-time basis."

Alderman Kitz: "The issue is this. An original proposition was made and we agreed to pay a certain amount. The Provincial Government came back and asked us to raise it and we did. They asked a second time and we refused. Is this \$30,000.00 creeping in by the backdoor?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The Government is not laboring it at all. If you delete that the pupils will be reduced from 900 to 400. You agreed from \$45,000.00 to \$67,500.00. That was in the building of the school. We are dealing with the operating of it as a school. Teachers and classes on the basis of 900 pupils next year."

Alderman Kitz: "Am I not correct in assuming that when the motion came to this Council two years ago our costs were fixed at an annual expenditure nothing like \$100,000.00? Has this increase of \$30,000.00 been before Council?"

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Mr. Bell: "I think the limit was wiped out and now we bear our proportion to the school."

Alderman Kitz: "The statement you make is not legally sound. The Provincial Government is now coming along and asking us to raise the ante by 50%."

His Worship the Mayor: "You have a committee dealing with this question and they took the stand that you took. We are faced with the operation of a school either half or whole. Why not do the job and have it operating full time because they are going to put more in than we are."

Alderman Kitz: "This is the backbone of our financial relationship with the Province of Nova Scotia. The Province said it would run a vocational school which we are all delighted. We were told our cost was going to be \$67,000.00. Instead we find it is \$100,000.00. That was not the bargain. We are entitled to ask the Province to stick to their bargain. It is their baby."

Alderman Vaughan: "The only tax increase will be borne by the business men. The vocational school operates for one purpose. The men who will benefit most will be the employer. Surveys across Canada show it costs \$3,000.00 to an employer to train a man in his trade. The City of Halifax is ahead in the long way. If the Province said they could do it for that amount of money, let us hold them to it. We can remove it from the estimates but where are we going to be with respect to the coming term?"

Alderman Kitz: "I am forced to agree."

The estimates for the School Board were then approved as amended.

SCHEDULE "C"

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that this Schedule be approved. Motion passed, with Alderman Kitz wishing to be recorded against.

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SCHEDULE "F"

Alderman Fox. "They spent \$9,000.00 on the lodge last year. This \$400.00 and \$300.00 could be cut out."

Alderman Breen: "That was for an addition to the lodge."

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that Schedule "F" be approved.

The motion was put and passed 9 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Kitz
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Fox
Duffy

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SCHEDULE "G"

Alderman Hatfield: "I went to Dalhousie University. We had 2 librarians to get books for us. I don't know what they were paid. There were 900 students. I doubt if the Memorial Library will cater to more people at the same time as the Dalhousie Library. I think the staff is top heavy. I have been in the libraries in Ottawa. I think 5 should be the maximum staff in the Halifax Memorial Library. They won't be overworked at that. The taxes we pay out in Westmount in one year won't even pay the salaries of the staff."

His Worship the Mayor: "A library is a very outstanding operation."

Alderman Kitz: "I got figures from every City in Canada that had a public library and from those figures it is not out of line with what exists in 16 libraries in Canada."

Alderman Vaughan: "I believe that people will have to be encouraged to go to the library to start reading. I believe this estimate should be cut."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield

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that the sum of \$6,000.00 be deleted from the salaries appropriation.

Alderman Vaughan: "We are leaving it to the Chief Librarian to cut out some position this year."

His Worship the Mayor: "Some of those salaries are based on a full year or part of a year."

The motion was put and passed 7 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Duffy
Fox
Hatfield
Macdonald
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
DeWolf
Kitz
MacMillan

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The estimate as amended was then approved.

SCHEDULE "H"

The estimates as submitted were approved.

SCHEDULE "I"

The estimates as submitted were approved.

SCHEDULE "J"

Alderman Vaughan: "Why the increase of \$800.00 in the Halifax Welfare Bureau? The City is running its own."

Dr. Morton: "They asked for that themselves. Up until last year they were getting \$2200.00. It was to be reviewed this year. In looking over their financial statement and the minutes of the annual meeting, their work is still just as high in regards to number of visits."

Alderman Vaughan: "We set up our own bureau and it costs \$14,400.00 to dispense our own welfare while it cost \$2200.00 before."

Dr. Morton: "3 members of that Dept. have been with the City 3 or 4 years making up for about \$8,000.00."

Alderman Vaughan: "We still spend \$14,400.00 to spend \$30,000.00 on relief."

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His Worship the Mayor: "I think the \$2,000.00 is well invested. We are still using them."

The estimates as submitted were then approved.

SCHEDULES "L", "M", "N" and "O"

Alderman DeWolf: "Those debentures 5, 5½ and 6 percent interest rates; when will they be wiped out?"

Mr. Bellew: "In another two years."

Alderman DeWolf: "Municipal financing is based on 20 years but buildings are put up for 50 or 100 hundred years. The library and schools should be put in that category."

Alderman Vaughan: "Can't anything be done about the \$663,000.00 stock?"

Mr. Bellew: "That is permanent stock. The City has made 2 or 3 attempts to have that called. Everytime we applied before the Legislature there has been quite a protest."

Alderman Vaughan: "Isn't it true that these stocks have cost the City about \$2,000,000.00?"

Mr. Bellew: "Yes. Interest rates are decreasing and when it is around 4½% we might be able to have them recalled."

Alderman Macdonald: "Has the principal been reduced any in 5 years?"

Mr. Bellew: "We bought some but not many."

Alderman Kitz: "In schedule "N" that \$111,000.00."

Mr. Bellew: "We appropriate that from the Trustees of the Sinking Funds. That is the amount we use in our budget for 1951. It is a free surplus from the Sinking Funds."

Alderman Vaughan: "The abutters charges that were paid went into the general revenue account."

Mr. Bellew: "It was always turned back to the Works Department and used again for sewer or pavement capital. It saved extra borrowing. The Works Department won't get that any more."

Alderman Vaughan: "We are paying our way. I suggest that was not done before. The money was not put in the Sinking Funds."

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Today we must provide money from some other funds to provide for the Sinking Funds. We would not have gone ahead with the work."

The estimates as submitted were then approved.

SCHEDULE "P"

Alderman Fox: "I see \$1,500.00 was cut from the Arm Patrol. That has to do with human lives. Since that Patrol has been in operation no lives have been lost. It will be kept on and will be borrowed for this purpose."

His Worship the Mayor: "Was it not a responsibility of the Harbour Board? We are not clear on it yet."

Alderman Fox: "I would say the City of Halifax, It would be less than 3% of those who go on the Arm are not tax payers. There is \$1,000.00 in there for training purposes of the Mounted Squad. I would suggest taking that out and putting in an additional \$1,500.00 for the Arm Patrol."

Alderman Hatfield: "How long does it operate?"

Chief Mitchell: "Two months."

Alderman Hatfield: "How much of a staff?"

Chief Mitchell: "A captain and 2 men."

His Worship the Mayor: "That started in the early years at a nominal cost and it has built up."

With reference to the \$1,000.00 for training purposes of the Mounted Squad Chief Mitchell stated that he intended to train the horses in Halifax for police purposes or send a man away to train the horses here.

Alderman Fox: "I have looked over Mounted Units from Vancouver to Halifax and we have one of the best units going. Who is the \$1,000.00 for and who will do the training? Sgt. Power is quite capable of training those horses."

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that \$1,500.00 be added to the Arm Patrol appropriation.

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

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
Duffy
Hatfield
MacMillan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Vaughan

- 1 -

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that \$1,000.00 be deleted from the estimates for training the Mounted Squad horses.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Duffy
Fox
Kitz

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Hatfield
Macdonald
MacMillan
Vaughan

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The estimates as then amended were approved.

SCHEDULE "Q"

The estimates as submitted were approved.

SCHEDULE "R"

Alderman Abbott: "City Property Maintenance; what buildings will that be used for?"

Mr. Harris then read a list of City Property covering the maintenance.

Alderman DeWolf: "We took \$15,000.00 off the School Board maintenance; could this stand \$15,000.00 off?"

Alderman Vaughan: "How much does the City subsidize Gossor Limited?"

Mr. Bellew: "10% of the repairs to the buildings."

Alderman Vaughan: "They have about 16 employees and we are

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subsidizing to the extent of \$5,000.00 a year. Some people hollar if we subsidize housing."

Mr. Harris stated that if \$15,000.00 were cut off City Property the only alternative would be to come to the Committee.

Alderman Macdonald: "If we don't pay it this year it will be double next year."

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that \$15,000.00 be cut from Streets and \$10,000.00 from Internal Health.

Alderman Vaughan: "I am against that. If you examine the whole Works Department estimates you will find that there are few items that can be reduced except streets. We do stoning and oiling work. The City saves money in the long run because they go over the job with a seal coat."

His Worship the Mayor: "The condition of the streets and what we will have to spend on them will equal what we saved in snow removal."

The motion was put and lost 5 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Abbott
Kitz
Fox
Duffy

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Adams
Macdonald
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

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The estimate was then approved as submitted.

SCHEDULE "R - 1"

Alderman Duffy: "How much was cut off?"

Mr. Bellew: "\$37,700.00."

Alderman Duffy: "I don't know how we are going to carry on our recreation."

His Worship the Mayor: "That \$35,000.00 is a new venture and it was thought we could defer that for one year."

Alderman Hatfield: "Each and every year that item is cut

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off the budget. You (Your Worship) appointed 23 or 24 citizens to carry on and they have been doing a good job. Look at the appropriation made by the City to the Y. M. C. A. We gave them \$35,000.00 and we cover ten times the number of people on the Commons. I am in favor of the City undertaking this project this coming year."

His Worship the Mayor: "Up to this year the recreation vote was always a hard one. There is no doubt that you have an excellent scheme to develop the north commons but to step into it in a year such as this, the committee felt it could not go along."

Alderman Hatfield: "Next year you may or may not have the money. The Committee has worked on this for some time and it has not been given any consideration for several years. I think it is time to act now."

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Duffy that \$20,000.00 be added to the Schedule for the purchase of new equipment.

Alderman Fox: "I have travelled over the north commons for 35 years and look at it today with all the money that has been spent. The floodlights are there. There is not much difference today except the diamonds. I feel something should be done where the race horses are. People have been eating dust since May. That area should be seeded and sodded."

Alderman Vaughan: "In the \$35,000.00; \$12,000.00 was for tennis. Assuming a maximum use of 12 hours a day for 7 days a week on those courts you will have 3760 people using them. Who is going to oversee the operation. Who is going to hand out the rackets and balls? How long will it last? You will have to have a supervisor of tennis courts and there might be an Assistant Director of Recreation. Your Recreation Committee should bring in a more comprehensive report. I cannot see 5 asphalt courts because you are catering to a small group. Most people belong

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to private clubs. I can't see the City paying \$12,000.00 for tennis courts."

Alderman Hatfield: "The idea of the tennis and quoits is to give diversified reports on the commons. All you have is softball. Older people can play quoits. We hope to have a canteen in the proposed building and the people there could hand out the rackets and balls and it would pay for itself. It would also give employment to a veteran."

His Worship the Mayor: "Did the Recreation Committee consider the thought of establishing courts on the school yards in the summer?"

Alderman Hatfield: "Not to my knowledge. It is for the poor children in the lower sections of Halifax."

Alderman Kitz: "Alderman Hatfield referred to \$35,000.00 for one building. When the item is Capital it is done. Four million dollars of this budget is Capital and it is gone. I don't think you could have chosen a type of sport which requires more attention and caters to a rare class. It is a narrow field. I am wholeheartedly in favor of doing something more for the Commons. The lights were boo-hoed when they were put up. Now you can see 5000 people getting the benefit from it. Reluctantly I can't see the same number for tennis and quoit beds."

Alderman Hatfield: "Recreation is for the children. If the courts were asphalt they could roller skate in the evenings and probably there would be 1000 in one evening. It would be properly supervised."

Alderman Macdonald: "As far as the paving of tennis courts are concerned, he said the children could use them for roller skating. We have school yards paved and I see very few children using them. I feel we could leave the estimate as it is."

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Alderman Vaughan: "There is one organization called the "Hydrostone Horse Shoe Club who have their own club house. If one group of citizens can provide their own recreation facilities, why should the rest of the citizens get it free? Quiet beds; these north end men have banded together and have improved the piece of land. They have a nice club house and entertainment for the children.

We have debated in this Council the question of subsidized housing and removing people from bad buildings and placing them in better conditions. \$37,000.00 spent for recreation, to my mind, is a luxury. Let us improve the housing conditions before we do that."

Alderman Hatfield: "We want to provide recreation for those children who are living in those homes."

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Duffy
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Fox
Kitz
Macdonald
Vaughan

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Moved by Alderman Fox that 25% be cut from the schedule.

There was no seconder to this motion.

It was agreed that the estimate stand.

SCHEDULE "S"

The estimates as submitted were approved.

FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT

The estimates as submitted were approved.

SCHEDULE "T"

Alderman Kitz: "What is the Port Representative?"

His Worship the Mayor: "This year we decided against participating in any of the Trade Fairs. The Port of Halifax Club

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and the Board of Trade have been endeavouring to raise funds for a port representative to sell the City of Halifax to all interested parties. It is put in the estimates with the provision that the two clubs will co-operate with us through the Industrial Committee. It is to be a three-way effort."

Alderman Kitz: "Under whose auspices? It is not operating at the present time."

His Worship the Mayor: "No."

The estimates as submitted were then approved.

SCHEDULES "U-1," "U-2" and "U-3"

Alderman Vaughan: "We have 15 collectors and the maximum number of calls a person can make is 22000. Breaking it down to 15 collectors we find they have 1456 calls to make providing everyone is in arrears of taxes. We will give each collector 8 calls per hour. Do we need all these collectors? We have a lien that we can put in force against delinquent tax payers. Why is a person allowed to pay 50 cents a week to a collector? The greater majority of tax payers pay at the counter. I submit that 15 seems to be a big staff for that Department. You will also find personnel in the Finance Department who collect hospital accounts. Why could that not all be put under one head. I think we should cut down the staff."

Mr. Bellew: "They do reach people who would not otherwise be able to come to City Hall. We could do away with them altogether and rely on the lien, but I don't think we would have the same as we have today. I don't think we would save a lot by cutting off some of these men. We would not save a half a point on the tax rate by cutting out one man. Our tax collection in the City is very good. The man in Ward 6 or 7 may make a lot of calls before he gets the same amount as the man in Ward 2 because the taxes are larger in Ward 2."

Alderman DeWolf: "The matter of the hospital collectors is quite right. This should be put through the Collector's Department

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It should be turned over to these men who go by these places. It is a duplication of work."

The three schedules were then approved.

SCHEDULE "U-4"

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the position of Assistant Clerk of the Court and salary be abolished by Council.

Alderman Hatfield: "I want the full details."

His Worship the Mayor: "There is an Assistant to take over when the Clerk is away. You want an official who can step in and do the job. That is why he is there."

Alderman Vaughan: "This is now under the Solicitor's Department. The man is being attacked. It was set up because of the Court. The man did not have signing authority so he wanted him made Deputy. A new position is not being appointed."

Alderman Fox: "I have some knowledge of court procedure. I have some knowledge of the Clerk of the Court and he has some knowledge as to whether an Assistant is needed. I have watched this develop from its infancy. It is now matured. That is one job that can be done without. We have 2 bailiffs who assist the Clerk. As far as an Assistant Clerk of the Court is concerned a Commissioner or a J. P. could take over while the Clerk is out to lunch. I am going to save \$2,200.00 of the tax payers money."

Alderman MacDonald: "I don't think it is necessary. I find over the past few years the revenue is around \$14,000.00 a year. For the past few years the office has been taken care of by the Clerk and a stenographer. The revenue has not been sufficient to warrant this Assistant to the Clerk of the Court."

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't think you can attack the position here as it has been set up. If you want to stop the amount of money, then that is different."

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Alderman Fox, with the permission of his seconder, withdrew his motion.

It was then moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the salary of \$1860.00 for the position of Assistant Clerk of the Court and Bailiff be abolished.

Alderman Macdonald: "Can you tell me where the recommendation came from in the first instance? Was there to be a recommendation from the Magistrate?"

Alderman Abbott: "When the appointment came before the Safety Committee they asked for a recommendation and they were told that the Magistrate was the Head of the Department, but there was no recommendation from him at that time."

Alderman Macdonald: "Was there a recommendation from the Magistrate of the Court as to that job?"

His Worship the Mayor: "If you are not satisfied you have to give notice."

The motion was then put and lost 5 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Macdonald
Fox
Duffy
MacMillan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Adams
Kitz
Vaughan
Hatfield

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The estimate was then approved.

SCHEDULE "V"

Discussion arose as to how much money would be included in this Schedule from the Prefabricated Houses.

Mr. Bellew: "The suggestion was to include 50% of the profit in the estimates and I contend that is not right and I don't think the Legislature would pass it as it is in the 1951 revenue."

Alderman DeWolf: "You have profits from the rents about \$40,000.00. You have profit from the interest. You can credit yourself with 1/15 of the profits of \$625,000.00. You could take another \$40,000.00 from that and the cash received in full for

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about 60 houses."

His Worship the Mayor: "We worked hard to make a profit on the prefabs. I don't think it is fair in tough times like these to set it at 15 years in the future. We should try to help our tax rate."

Alderman Kitz: "You take your cash sales, rents and 1/15th. which will come to about \$175,000.00."

Alderman Vaughan: "There is the profit on interest and 1/15th. of the potential profit which is 1/15th. of \$625,000.00 gives you \$45,000.00. It is at least \$175,000.00."

It was then agreed that the estimate after adding \$150,000.00 profit from the prefab houses be approved.

RESOLUTION SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES

RESOLVED that the estimates as submitted by the Board of School Commissioners for the Civic Year 1951 amounting to \$1,448,355.00 be objected to in part and the City Council hereby records its objection in respect to the following item and amount

Maintenance \$15,000.00

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

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

JOINT EXPENDITURES

Alderman DeWolf: "Joint expenditures are \$46,000.00 this year. It is \$2,000.00 higher. That is based on assessments between the County and the City and I understand the County assessments have gone up 500%. If it is based on that amount I would suggest there should be some change in the payment in the estimates."

His Worship the Mayor: "Until we change the procedure we will have to pay it. Bring it into the Council."

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Alderman Kitz: "We have been paying 81% of the shot. There is as many people living in the County as in the City. I think if we put in 20% less money the position would iron itself out.

The matter of \$3,000.00 not being included in the estimates for the consolidation of the 1945-50 index at the Registry of Deeds was discussed.

Alderman Kitz: "It is a great loss in efficiency. I say the \$3,000.00 deletion is not a sound one."

His Worship the Mayor: "They asked to have it deleted."

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that \$3,000.00 be added to the estimates for the consolidation of the 1945-50 index.

His Worship the Mayor: "I want to know about the legality of the motion. I say it was passed by a committee on joint expenditures. That is what they want."

Assistant City Solicitor: "It has to go to the Joint Expenditure Board before you can do anything about it."

Alderman Kitz: "Leave it lay."

RESOLUTION re ESTIMATES

RESOLVED that the General and Ordinary Assessment amounting to \$6,576,851.21 less probable income \$1,038,160.81 making a total \$5,538,690.40 plus for short collections \$70,000.00 making \$5,608,690.40 less estimates poll tax \$75,000.00 and \$50,000.00 being the portion of the Current Surplus Account and \$300,000.00 from 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 \$5,183,690.40 be confirmed and do now pass and that the inhabitants and property within the City be assessed and rated for the said sum of \$5,183,690.40.

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

OFFICE OF CITY SOLICITOR

City Hall
Halifax, N. S.

February 5, 1951.

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

Dear Sirs: Re: Licensing Real Estate Brokers.

At the request of several Real Estate Brokers I have drafted and am now submitting to you an amendment to the Charter to provide for control over this type of business. I am given to understand that some control of this type is desirable, and I have no doubt that some of those engaged in this business will take the opportunity of stating to your Committee the reasons.

I have sent a copy of this draft to all members of the Council for their information in case it is desired to submit the same to this session of the Legislature.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR.

CPB/EHJ

1. In this Section and in any ordinance made under the authority thereof:

- (a) "Person" shall include partnership and company.
- (b) "Real Estate Broker" or "Broker of Real Estate" shall include "Real Estate Agent".
- (c) "Broker of Real Estate" shall mean a person who, for another or others, for compensation, gain or reward or hope or promise thereof, either alone or through one or more officials or salesmen, trades in real estate, and every person who holds himself out as such.
- (d) "Official" shall include president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, managing director, general manager, department manager, branch office manager, and every person acting in a similar capacity whether so designated or not.
- (e) "Real Estate" shall include all interests in real property.
- (f) "Salesman" shall mean a person employed, appointed or authorized by a broker of real estate to trade in real estate.
- (g) "Trade" shall include a disposition or acquisition of or transaction in real estate by a Broker of Real Estate as herein defined by sale, purchase, agreement for sale, exchange, option, lease, rental or otherwise and any offer or attempt by such Broker to list real estate for the purpose of such a disposition, acquisition or transaction, and any act, advertisement, conduct or negotiation by such Broker, directly or indirectly, in furtherance of any disposition, acquisition, transaction, offer or attempt, and the verb "trade" shall have a corresponding meaning.

2. (a) No person shall in the City of Halifax trade in real estate unless he holds a license as a broker of real estate which is in force.

(b) No person shall in the City of Halifax act as an official of or on behalf of a partnership or company in connection with any trade in real estate unless such person or such partnership or company holds a license as a broker of real estate.

(c) No person shall in the City of Halifax act as a salesman of or on behalf of any person, partnership or company in connection with any trade in real estate by such person, partnership or company unless such person or such partnership or company holds a license as a broker of real estate.

3. Such license shall be granted by the Council and signed and issued by the official designated by the Council to sign and issue the same and shall be in force until the 30th day of April next succeeding the day on which it was issued and no longer. The Council may refuse to grant a license to any person who is not, in its opinion, a fit and proper person to receive such license.

4. The fee for such license shall be one hundred dollars.

5. Every person who carries on business as a broker of real estate without having obtained such license shall, for every day on which such business is carried on, be liable to a penalty not exceeding one hundred dollars and, in default of payment, to imprisonment for a period not exceeding two months.

6. Any change in the membership of a partnership shall for the purposes of this Section be deemed to create a new partnership and to cancel any license as a broker of real estate issued to such partnership.

7. The Council may by ordinance regulate the carrying on in the City of Halifax of the business of brokers of real estate and may therein prescribe the conditions under which such business may be carried on and under which licenses may be issued to such brokers of real estate and under which such licenses may be suspended or cancelled and may prescribe the penalty to be imposed upon any person who violates any of the provisions of such ordinance.

8. Every person, partnership or company to whom or which has been issued a license as a broker of real estate shall, while such license is in force and effect, be entitled to use in any advertisement, notice or sign and on stationery and other documents the words "Licensed Real Estate Broker" and any person, partnership or company which uses the said words when not entitled so to do shall be liable to a penalty.

9. The Council shall have the right to suspend or cancel any license issued under the authority of this Section if the person, partnership or company to whom or which the same was issued has -

(a) violated any of the provisions of this Section or of any ordinance made under the authority thereof; or

(b) been convicted of -

(i) an offence under this Section or under any ordinance made under the authority thereof, or

(ii) an offence involving fraud or theft or conspiracy to commit an offence

involving fraud or theft under the Criminal Code of Canada; or

- (c) had judgment given against such person, partnership or company based on the finding of fraud; or
- (d) had proceedings taken against such person, partnership or company under the Bankruptcy Act of Canada.

10. No action shall be brought for commission or for remuneration for services in connection with a trade in real estate unless at the time of rendering such services the person, partnership or company bringing the action was registered or exempt from registration, and the Court may stay any such action at any time upon summary application.

11. Nothing in this Section shall apply to:

- (a) any assignee, custodian, liquidator, receiver, trustee or other person acting under the provisions of the Bankruptcy Act of Canada, The Companies Act, The Judicature Act, The Winding-up Act of Canada, or to any person acting under the order of any Court, or any executor or trustee selling under the terms of any will, marriage settlement or deed of trust;
- (b) any person who is registered under The Securities Act where the trade is made in the course of and as part of his business in connection with a trade in securities;
- (c) any bank or any loan, trust or insurance company trading in real estate owned or administered by such company;
- (d) any person in respect of any mine or mining property within the meaning of The Mines Act and in respect of the real estate included in any Crown grant or lease of a mining claim or mineral lands under The Mines Act or any Act for which the same is substituted;
- (e) a full-time employee of a party to a trade where the employee is acting for or on behalf of his employer;
- (f) any person who is practising as a solicitor of the Supreme Court where the trade is made in the course of and as part of the solicitor's practice;
- (g) any person, on his own account, in respect of his real estate, where such trade did not result from,
 - (1) an offer of such person to act, in connection with such trade or any other trade, for or on behalf of the

other party or one of the other parties to the trade, or

- (ii) a request that such person act, in connection with such trade or any other trade, for or on behalf of the other party or one of the other parties to the trade,

and the interest of such person in the real estate was acquired prior to such offer or request; or

- (h) any person specifically exempted by any ordinance made under the authority of this Section in respect of any class of trades in real estate.

12. Every person who contravenes or fails to comply with any provision of this Section, in respect of which no penalty is otherwise provided, shall, for each such offence, be liable to a penalty not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months.

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Alderman Breen: "Where did this originate?"

Alderman DeWolf: "At the request of some of the Real Estate Brokers. I discussed it with Mr. Bethune. It was the intention to bring this to the Finance and Executive Committee. As far as I am concerned I would like to see it go through in principle only but not necessarily adopt the whole bill. I understood that an Ordinance would be prepared at a later date. In all cities in Canada outside of Nova Scotia they do have a Real Estate Board and regulations and those regulations are for the protection of the public the same as an auctioneer. A code of ethics should be followed in Real Estate. I don't know of any member of the Real Estate Board selling prefabs. We see them advertised at some ridiculous prices. A member of the Real Estate Board would say that is too high. It is merely to see that the funds of the client are protected. That is the idea of this license to see that people in the Real Estate Business are going to protect their clients. All I would like to see would be an Ordinance drawn up and let the Real Estate Brokers see it."

Assistant City Solicitor: "You could get general legislation authorizing the City to control Real Estate Brokers."

Alderman Abbott: "If this legislation passes it will require everyone to pay a license whether they pay a business tax or not. I would like to see this referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for further study. I would not like to see it go through in its present form."

Alderman DeWolf: "All we want is general legislation permitting an Ordinance to be written. Then we could discuss the Ordinance fully. I would also like the Real Estate Brokers to discuss it too."

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen that general legislation be secured so that the City

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may draft an Ordinance if it at a later date sees fit to do so.

The motion was put and passed 9 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Duffy
Hatfield
Kitz
Macdonald
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Fox
Vaughan

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Adams that this meeting to now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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CITY CLERK.

Gordon S. Kinley
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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
March 6, 1951,
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, Abbott, Adams, Kitz, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

The meeting was called specially to consider Legislation re City Manager.

LEGISLATION Re: CITY MANAGER

Read letter from the City Solicitor submitting draft legislation covering the various additions, amendments and deletions to the City Charter with respect to the City Manager form of Civic Government and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Copies of the letter and legislation were furnished the members of Council previous to the meeting.

It was agreed to consider the legislation Paragraph by Paragraph.

PARAGRAPH # 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 2
SECTION 118 A - 1, 2, 3 & 4

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 2
SECTION 118 B - A & B

Alderman DeWolf: "Section "B" does he collaborate with

their work must be done in an independent manner and their work and opinions should not be influenced by a superior officer. It has been felt that the recommendation for appointment by the Manager may curtail the independent action by such officials.

In my opinion the attached legislation is sufficient to enable the Council-Manager system to be inaugurated. Certain other legislative changes will doubtless become desirable in the future but these can be considered in the light of experience.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR.

Dated March 1st, 1951.

1. In this Act the expression "City" means the City of Halifax; the expression "Council" means the City Council of that City, and any committee or official mentioned means the committee or official of that name of the said City or Council; the expression "Charter" means the Halifax City Charter of 1931 and Sections referred to by number without further reference are the Sections of the said Charter; and this Act shall refer exclusively to the City of Halifax.

2. The Charter is amended by inserting therein, immediately following Section 118 thereof, the following Sections:

118A. (1) The Council shall from time to time appoint a fit and proper person who shall be known as the City Manager, and who shall have the powers and perform the duties herein provided.

(2) He shall hold office until at least two-thirds of the members of the Council vote in favor of his dismissal or of his superannuation, if he is entitled to the same, at a regular meeting of the Council or at a special meeting thereof called for that purpose.

(3) The Council shall not vote upon any motion as in the next preceding subsection provided unless such motion is first reduced to writing and signed by the members of the Council who propose to move and second the same and is thereafter deposited in the office of the Clerk, and a true copy thereof served upon the City Manager, either by personal service or by leaving the same at his last known place of abode, at least one week previous to the holding of the meeting of the Council at which the same is to be considered.

(4) The City Manager shall be paid such annual salary as the Council from time to time determines.

118B. The City Manager shall be the chief executive officer and the head of the administrative branch of the City government. He shall be responsible to the Council for the proper administration of all affairs of the City and for that purpose he shall have power and shall be required to:

- (a) Administer, plan and supervise the affairs of the City in accordance with policies determined by the Council;
- (b) Prepare for the consideration of the Council plans for the maintenance and construction of City property, facilities and services, and for the development, expansion and improvement thereof;

- (c) coordinate and supervise the implementation of decisions made by the Council;
- (d) Prepare and submit to the Council plans and recommendations for the efficient operation of all City Departments and, on approval of the same by the Council, to carry such plans and recommendations into effect;
- (e) Prepare reports respecting the performance and costs of City activities;
- (f) Prepare and present to the Council recommendations concerning the operation of the various Departments of the City which require approval of the Council and to propose and present legislation necessary to implement the same;
- (g) Direct the preparation and compilation of the annual estimates of the City and to make recommendations to the Finance and Executive Committee and the Council respecting the same;
- (h) Exercise control over all Departments with respect to the appropriations approved for such Departments;
- (i) Supervise the operation of contracts between the City and Labour Unions and to recommend to the Council agreements concerning wages, salaries and working conditions;
- (j) Keep informed and where necessary advise the Council respecting the service maintained by the Public Utilities in the City, and to see that all franchises, permits and privileges granted by the City are faithfully performed and observed.
- (k) Obtain information regarding all Boards and Commissions which affect the interests of the City, and to keep the Council advised regarding the same when he deems it necessary.
- (l) Coordinate, motivate, direct and supervise Heads of Departments and through them all other employees of the City;
- (m) And without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the City Manager shall do and perform the duties and exercise the powers which, from time to time, may be assigned to or vested in him by the Council.

118C. Except as otherwise provided in the Charter, the City Manager shall:

- (a) Recommend to the Council for approval or rejection by the Council fit and qualified persons to fill any vacancy in the offices defined in subsection (1) of Section 119, and in the event of the rejection by the Council of any person so recommended, to recommend at the next regular meeting of the Council another person for such office.
- (b) Appoint, employ, suspend or dismiss, after consultation with the respective head of the department concerned, and subject to any contractual obligations entered into by the City, any employee of the City, except employees to fill the offices defined in subsection (1) of Section 119.

118D. The City Manager shall attend all meetings of the Council and shall have the right to attend all meetings of Committees of the City and, subject to the rules of order and procedure thereof, may take part in the discussion of all matters coming before such meetings but shall not be entitled to vote thereon.

118E. The City Manager, for the purpose of carrying out and performing his duties and the objects of his office, may use the services of the heads of departments, as hereinafter defined, and of all other employees of the City.

3. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 119 is amended by inserting therein between the word "time" in the first line thereof and the word "appoint" in the second line thereof the words "on the recommendation in writing of the City Manager".

(2) Said subsection (1) of Section 119 is further amended by adding thereto the following:

"Such persons shall be immediately responsible to the City Manager."

4. Section 120 is amended by striking out the words "a committee" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the words "the City Manager".

5. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 123 is amended by striking out the words: "The Committees having the management and supervision of the several departments of the business of the City, may, on the recommendation in writing of the respective heads of such departments, ap-

point such persons as may be recommended to fill the following offices, that is to say:" and substituting therefor the following:

"The City Manager may, after consultation with the respective head of the department concerned, appoint such persons as he may determine to fill the following offices, that is to say:"

(2) Said subsection (1) of Section 123 is further amended by inserting therein between the words "Internal Auditor" in the seventh line thereof and the words "Clerk of Works" in the eighth line thereof the words "Inspector of Buildings".

(3) Said subsection (1) of Section 123 is further amended by striking out the words "Committee on Safety" in the twentieth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Council".

(4) Said subsection (1) of Section 123 is further amended by striking out the words "such committees" in the twenty-eighth and twenty-ninth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "the Council".

(5) Said subsection (1) of Section 123 is further amended by adding thereto the following:

"Such persons shall be immediately responsible to the City Manager and to the head of the department to which each such person is appointed."

6. Subsection (3) of Section 123 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(3) (a) The head of any department may at any time suspend without pay for a period not exceeding two weeks any person employed in such department. Upon such suspension such head shall at once forward a report in writing to the City Manager for his information. If such person was appointed by the Council, the City Manager shall forward such report to the Mayor.

(b) The City Manager, if such person was the holder of an office which the City Manager is authorized to fill, may dismiss such person, if such dismissal is recommended in writing by the head of the department concerned or if in the opinion of the City Manager such person should be dismissed. Upon such dismissal, the City Manager shall appoint a person to fill the position held by the person so dismissed.

(c) No person who has been appointed by the City Manager shall be dismissed unless and until the City Manager has consulted with the head of the department concerned.

7. Subsection (4) of said Section 123 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(4) The persons to be appointed under this Section shall be appointed by the City Manager after consultation with the head of the department in which such persons are to serve, and upon appointment shall hold office until dismissed by the City Manager or suspended in the manner hereinbefore provided, or until retired upon superannuation, if such person is entitled to the same.

8. Subsection (5) of said Section 123 is amended by striking out the words "or the committee having the management and supervision of the department" in the first, second and third lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "with the approval in writing of the City Manager".

9. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 124 is amended by striking out the words "by the Finance and Executive Committee for such amount as is required by such Committee." in the third, fourth and fifth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "by the City Manager for such amount as he may determine to be adequate."

(2) Subsection (2) of said Section 124 is amended by striking out the words "or the Committee which appointed such officer or official" in the fifth and sixth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "or the City Manager".

(3) Said subsection (2) of Section 124 is further amended by striking out the word "Committee" where it appears in the seventeenth and eighteenth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

10. Section 128 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

128. Any officer of the City appointed by the Council shall continue to hold office until removed either by an express vote of removal or superannuation passed by the Council in the manner hereinbefore set out, or, if such officer was not appointed by the Council, until dismissed from such office by the City Manager, or until such officer resigns such office.

11. Section 129 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

129. The City Manager may suspend without salary any officer appointed by the Council for neglect of duty, insubordination, or any conduct incompatible with the due performance of his duties. Any such suspension and the cause thereof shall be reported

to the Mayor in writing and the Mayor shall forthwith advise in writing each member of the Council, and a meeting of the Council shall be called within ten days of such suspension, at which meeting a majority of the whole Council may confirm or quash such suspension. If the Council takes no action at such meeting such suspension shall be deemed quashed; if the Council confirms such suspension, such suspension shall lapse at the end of thirty days from the date of such meeting unless in the meantime the Council dismisses such officer.

12. Section 131 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

131. Every officer or employee appointed by the Council or by the City Manager, who engages in any business or occupation which the Council by ordinance or resolution or which the Committee having supervision over the department in which such officer or employee is employed by resolution has declared to be incompatible with the satisfactory performance of his duties as an officer or employee of the City, shall be liable to be suspended or dismissed from his office or employment by the Council or by the City Manager as the case may be.

13. (1) Clause (a) of subsection (1) of Section 134 is amended by striking out the words "whether such person be appointed by the Council or a Committee thereof" in the fourth and fifth lines thereof.

(2) Subsection (2) of said Section 134 is amended by striking out the words "the Committee having the management or supervision of the department to which such officer is appointed may by resolution, by-law or regulation" in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "the City Manager may by order in writing".

(3) Said subsection (2) of Section 134 is further amended by striking out the words "resolution, by-law or regulation of such Committee" in the eighth and ninth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "such order".

(5) (a) He shall hold office until dismissed by the City Manager.

(b) The City Manager may at any time suspend such Clerk without pay for a period not exceeding two weeks and may during such suspension appoint a person to act as Clerk pro tempore, which person shall have the power and authority and perform the duties of the Clerk during the period for which he holds office.

16. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 163A is amended by striking out the word "Council" in the seventh line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

(2) Subsection (2) of said Section 163A is amended by striking out the words "City Council" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

(3) Subsection (3) of said Section 163A is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(3) Such bond shall be submitted to the City Manager within one month after appointment or reappointment. If the City Manager shall disapprove of the said bond the Clerk shall within two weeks furnish to the satisfaction of the City Manager another such bond in lieu of the bond so disapproved. Upon failure by such Clerk to furnish within such time a bond satisfactory to the City Manager, he shall dismiss such Clerk and proceed to appoint another person to fill the said office.

(4) Subsection (4) of said Section 163A is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(4) The City Manager may at any time require the Clerk to renew the said bond as to the said City Manager appears expedient for the protection of the interests of the City or of parties to legal proceedings in the said Courts, and the Clerk shall submit such new bond to the City Manager within one month after notice of the decision of the City Manager in that behalf. Such renewed or substituted bond shall be in the same form and executed and accompanied by the same formalities and subject to the same approval as the original bond. Upon failure by such Clerk to furnish within such time such renewed or substituted bond, satisfactory to the City Manager, the City Manager shall dismiss such Clerk and proceed to appoint another person to fill the said office.

17. (1) Clause (a) of subsection (1) of Section 224 is amended by striking out the words "The Finance and Executive Committee, on the recommendation in writing of the Stipendiary Magistrate, shall appoint such person as may be so recommended" in the first, second, third and fourth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "The City Manager shall appoint a fit and proper person".

(2) Subsection (6) of said Section 224 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(6) (a) He shall hold office until dismissed by the City Manager.

(b) The City Manager may at any time

suspend such Clerk without pay for a period not exceeding two weeks and may during such suspension appoint a person to act as Clerk pro tempore, which person shall have the power and authority and perform the duties of the Clerk during the period for which he holds office.

18. (1) Subsection (3) of Section 242 is amended by inserting therein between the words "mayor" and "or" in the first line thereof the words "or of the City Manager".

(2) Subsection (6) of said Section 242 is amended by inserting therein between the words "mayor" and "or" in the third line thereof the words "or City Manager".

19. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 243, as that subsection is enacted by Section 6 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1943, is amended by striking out the words "The Committee may from time to time, after receipt of a recommendation in writing from the Chief of Police, appoint such person or persons as may be respectively recommended therefor" in the first, second, third and fourth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "The City Manager may after consultation with the Chief of Police appoint fit and proper persons".

(2) Said subsection (1) of Section 243 is further amended by striking out the words "during the pleasure of the Committee" in the eighth and ninth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "until dismissed by the City Manager".

(3) Subsection (3) of said Section 243 is amended by inserting therein between the word "police" in the first line thereof and the word "engage" in the second line thereof the words "and with the approval of the City Manager".

20. (1) Subsections (1) and (2) of Section 244 are repealed and the following substituted therefor:

244. (1) The City Manager shall from time to time, after consultation with the Chief of Police, appoint as many constables to constitute a police force for the City as the Council from time to time determines to be necessary, who shall hold their employment until dismissed by the City Manager.

(2) The City Manager, after consultation with the Chief of Police, shall appoint from among the other members of the force a deputy chief and as many inspectors and sergeants of police as the Council may by resolution determine.

20. (2) Subsection (5) of said Section 244 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
- (5) The City Manager shall not appoint any person to any position under the authority of this Section until he has consulted with the Chief of Police with respect to such appointment.
21. Subsection (2) of Section 247 is amended by striking out the word "committee" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager", and by striking out the word "its" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the word "his".
22. Subsection (1) of Section 248 is amended by inserting therein between the words "committee" and "and" in the second line thereof the words "and the City Manager".
23. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 249 is amended by striking out the words "Chairman of the Committee, for the information of the Committee," in the seventh and eighth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".
- (2) Subsection (2) of said Section 249 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
- (2) The City Manager may dismiss such member if such dismissal is recommended in writing by the Chief of Police, or if, in the opinion of the City Manager, such person should be dismissed. Upon such dismissal the City Manager shall appoint a person to the position held by the person so dismissed.
24. Subsection (2) of Section 250 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
- (2) If the Chief of Police shall be of the opinion that a punishment greater than a suspension for two weeks or a fine is deserved, and shall so recommend to the City Manager, the City Manager may impose such punishment, or, if the Chief of Police so recommends, dismiss such member of the police force from his employment. If the City Manager is of the opinion that such member of the police force should be dismissed, he may dismiss such member without requiring any recommendation from the Chief of Police.
25. Clause (a) of Section 251 is amended by striking out the word "committee" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

26. Subsection (1) of Section 252 is amended by inserting therein between the words "may" and "appoint" in the sixth line thereof the words "instruct the City Manager to".
27. Subsection (1) of Section 257 is amended by striking out the word "committee" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".
28. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 278 is amended by striking out the words "said Committee" in the sixth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".
- (2) Subsection (2) of said Section 278 is amended by adding thereto the following: "or the City Manager may direct."
29. Subsection (1) of Section 283 is amended by striking out the words "Finance and Executive Committee" in the eighth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".
30. (1) Subsection (2) of Section 284 is amended by striking out the word "Mayor" in the sixth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".
- (2) Subsection (3) of said Section 284 is amended by inserting therein between the words "Mayor" and "and" in the fifth line thereof the words "the City Manager".
31. Section 306 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
306. The Commissioner of Finance and Accounts, Chief Accountant, Treasurer, Collector, Clerk, Internal Auditor and every other officer of the City shall each -
- (a) at such times during his continuance in office as the Council or City Manager directs or requires, and
- (b) within thirty days after he ceases to be in office, if the Council or City Manager so requires,
- deliver to the City Manager for the inspection of the Council, or such officer or person as the Council appoints, a true account in writing -
- (a) of all matters committed to his charge under this Act, or under any law relative to the government of the City, and
- (b) of all moneys which have been received by

him as such officer, and

(c) of the payments and disbursements of such moneys and the purposes thereof,

and shall deliver therewith proper vouchers.

32. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 314 is amended by striking out the word "Council" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

(2) Subsection (5) of said Section 314 is amended by inserting therein between the words "Accounts" and "may" in the fourth line thereof the words "with the approval of the City Manager".

33. Subsection (1) of Section 315D is amended by striking out the words "Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare" in the seventh line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

34. Subsection (1) of Section 726 is amended by striking out the word "Council" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

35. Section 839 is amended by inserting therein between the words "Council" and "shall" in the first line thereof the words "on the recommendation in writing of the City Manager".

36. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 840 is amended by striking out the word "committee" in the fifth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager, after consultation with the chief officer,".

(2) Subsection (2) of said Section 840 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(2) The City Manager, after consultation with the chief officer, shall from time to time appoint to the department as many other officials and men as the Council from time to time determines to be necessary, who shall hold their employment until dismissed, and the City Manager may, after consultation with the chief officer, dismiss or discipline by fine or suspension any officer or man appointed by him.

(3) Subsection (3) of said Section 840 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(3) No appointments or dismissals shall be made by the City Manager until after he has consulted with the chief officer respecting the same.

(4) Subsection (5) of said Section 840 is

amended by striking out the words "Chairman of the Committee, for the information of the Committee," in the eleventh and twelfth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

(5) Subsection (6) of Section 840 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(6) The City Manager may dismiss such member if such dismissal is recommended in writing by the chief officer, or if in the opinion of the City Manager such member should be dismissed. Upon such dismissal, the City Manager shall appoint a person to fill the position held by the member so dismissed.

37. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 875 is amended by striking out the words "said Committee" in the sixth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

(2) Subsection (2) of said Section 875 is amended by striking out the word "Committee" in the eleventh line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

38. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 876 is amended by striking out the words "The Committee on Public Health and Welfare may on the recommendation in writing of the Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare" in the first, second and third lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "The City Manager, after consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare, may".

(2) Subsection (2) of said Section 876 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(2) Each of such officials shall be paid such annual salary as the Council from time to time determines and shall hold office until dismissed by the City Manager or suspended, or until retired upon superannuation if such official is entitled to the same.

(3) Subsection (3) of said Section 876 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(3) The City Manager shall not appoint to any division of the Department of Public Health and Welfare any person unless and until he has consulted with the head of the department respecting the same.

39. Subsection (3) of Section 888 is amended by striking out the words "The Mayor" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "The City Manager".

40. Subsection (1) of Section 889 is amended by inserting therein between the words "Mayor" and "or" in the first line thereof the words "or the City Manager".
41. (1) Subsection (3) of Section 956 is amended by striking out the word "Council" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".
- (2) Subsection (5) of said Section 956 is amended by striking out the words "appointed by the City Council" in the second and third lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "appointed as hereinbefore provided".
42. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 228A is amended by striking out the words "by the Finance and Executive Committee for such amount as the Finance and Executive Committee shall require" in the fifth, sixth and seventh lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "by the City Manager for such amount as he may determine to be adequate".
- (2) Subsection (2) of said Section 228A is amended by striking out the words "Finance and Executive Committee" in the second line thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".
43. Section 246 is amended by striking out the words "The committee" in the first line thereof and substituting therefor the words "The City Manager, after consultation with the Chief of Police,".

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day of March and to instruct him to fix the rate of taxation for the year ending December 31, 1951 on the basis of the said amount of \$5,183,690.40.

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

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

Meeting adjourned. 11:30 P. M.

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Gordon S. Kinley
Gordon S. Kinley,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall
Halifax, N. S.,
February 28, 1951,
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, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Kitz, Fox, Duffy, Hatfield and MacMillan.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Assessment Moir's Limited.
2. Legislation 1951.

ASSESSMENT MOIR'S LIMITED

Read letter from Stewart, Smith, MacKeen, Covert and Rogers requesting that the matter of the Assessment for Moir's Limited be deferred for the time being.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the request be granted. Motion passed.

HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE APPROACH

February 27th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending the plan prepared by C. A. E. Fowler was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended that this be forwarded to the City Council for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

8:05 P. M. Alderman Vaughan arrives.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Kitz, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

ADDITIONAL LEGISLATION 1951

An additional draft of legislation was submitted and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

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

It was agreed to consider the same Paragraph by Paragraph.

PARAGRAPH # 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 3

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that this paragraph be approved.

The motion was put and passed 6 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Duffy
Fox
Kitz
Macdonald
MacMillan
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Hatfield

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- 5 -

PARAGRAPH # 4

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Kitz that this paragraph be approved.

The motion was put and passed 6 voting for the same

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1951 Legislation.

1. (1) Clause (b) of Section 30, as the same is enacted by Section 2 of Chapter 72 of the Acts of 1945, is amended by striking out the semicolon and the word "and" immediately following it in the third line thereof and substituting therefor a period.

(2) Clauses (c) and (d) of said Section 30 are repealed.

2. Section 32 is amended by inserting therein between the words "Halifax" and "to" in the second line thereof the following words:

"or His Majesty the King or the City of Halifax or the Halifax Relief Commission".

3. Section 816 is amended by adding thereto the following subsection:

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1), a building may be erected on any lot of land fronting on Young Avenue and used as an apartment house, but no such building shall contain more than four apartments exclusive of caretaker's quarters.

4. Section 820 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

820. No building at any time erected on Young Avenue, or within one hundred and eighty feet thereof, shall be used as a shop, hotel, house of entertainment, boarding house, livery stable, garage, or for any purpose other than a private dwelling house or apartment house, provided that no building used as an apartment house shall contain more than four apartments, exclusive of caretaker's quarters.

5. The Charter is amended by inserting therein, immediately following Section 824A thereof, the following Section:

824B. From and after the coming into force of this Section, the provisions of Sections 823 and 824 shall not apply to the lands and premises more fully described as follows:

ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the City of Halifax and being in the City of Halifax and being lot No. 3, Section "C" of the subdivision of the City of Halifax known as Rosebank as marked and delineated on a plan drawn by Warren H. Manning of Boston, dated 20th May 1911, and which plan was revised by McKenzie Pickings & McCallum on the 10th

day of March 1915, and which plan is filed in the office of the Registrar of Deeds for the County of Halifax, and which said lot is more particularly described as follows: Commencing at a point on the southern side line of Quinpool Road distant westerly one hundred and thirty-four feet from the intersection of the western side line of Rosebank Avenue and the said southern side line of Quinpool Road; thence running southerly in a line parallel to the western side line of said Rosebank Avenue one hundred and forty-five (145) feet to the northern boundary line of lot No. 8 in said Section "C" at a point where the said lot No. 8 joins lot No. 7 in the said Section "C" as marked and delineated on said plan; thence westerly forty (40) feet to the eastern boundary line of lot No. 2 in said Section "C" as marked and delineated on said plan; thence running northerly along the said eastern boundary of said lot No. 2 one hundred and forty-five (145) feet to the said southern side line of Quinpool Road; and thence running easterly along the said southern line of Quinpool Road forty (40) feet to the place of beginning.

6. Clause (aa) of Section 920, as that clause is enacted by Section 44 of Chapter 66 of the Acts of 1950, is amended by striking out the word "two" in the third line thereof and substituting therefor the word "four" and by striking out the word "one" in the fifth line thereof and substituting therefor the word "two".

7. The Charter is amended by inserting therein, immediately following Section 367 thereof, the following Section:

367A. (1) Every person who for gain engages in the business of a building contractor in the City and who is not assessed for business taxes by the City in respect of such business for the year in which such person engages in such business, and who employs in connection with such business any person who was not a resident of the City continuously for one year immediately preceding his entering into such employment or who has not been assessed for and paid a real property tax, business tax, household tax or poll tax to the City in respect of the civic year immediately preceding his entering into such employment, shall upon employing such person forthwith pay to the City Collector on behalf of such person so employed a tax of ten dollars.

(2) Every person who, being liable to pay the said tax as hereinbefore provided, fails to pay the same to the City Collector within forty-eight hours after becoming liable to do so shall be liable to a penalty of one hundred dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month and shall in addition be liable to pay the said tax which may be recovered from him by the City Collector by the issue of a warrant of distraint and the seizure and sale thereunder of any goods and chattels or by an action in the name of the City as if the same were a debt due to the City or by both forms of remedy.

8. The City shall pay to Reginald Brushett, retired hoseman of the Halifax City Fire Department, for the remainder of his life, a monthly allowance of eighty dollars per month as and from the first day of January, 1951, which shall be paid to him in monthly payments, in advance, on the first day of each month, and the sums required to pay the said allowance during the civic year 1951 shall be included in the estimates for the civic year 1952 and all sums required to pay such allowance for subsequent years shall be included in the estimates for the civic year in which the allowance is to be paid; provided however, that upon old age pensions becoming payable without an income eligibility test, the foregoing allowance shall be reduced by the amount which the said Reginald Brushett shall be entitled to receive as such old age pension.
9. The City shall pay to Charles W. Durrant, upon his retirement from employment with the City, for the remainder of his life, a monthly allowance of eighty dollars per month, which shall be paid to him in monthly payments, in advance, on the first day of each month, and the sums required to pay the said allowance during the civic year 1951 shall be included in the estimates for the civic year 1952 and all sums required to pay such allowance for subsequent years shall be included in the estimates for the civic year in which the allowance is to be paid; provided however, that upon old age pensions becoming payable without an income eligibility test, the foregoing allowance shall be reduced by the amount which the said Charles W. Durrant shall be entitled to receive as such old age pension.
10. (1) Subsection (1) of Section 310 is amended by striking out the seventh paragraph thereof (being the last paragraph on page 101 of the Charter), the said paragraph having been enacted by Section 2 of Chapter 55 of the Acts of 1936, providing for the payment of a sum not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty, and substituting therefor the following:
- A sum not exceeding two thousand five hundred dollars for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, for the purposes of that Society within the City and to enable the Society within the City to carry on the work of impounding stray animals and disposing of the same.
- (2) Said subsection (1) of Section 310 is further amended by striking out the words "three thousand" in the forty-second line thereof, (the same being the first line of the paragraph authorizing the making of an annual grant to the Victorian Order of Nurses), and substituting therefor the words "five thousand".
- (3) Said subsection (1) of Section 310, as that Section is amended by subsection (5) of Section 40 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1944, is further amended by striking out the word "eight" in the thirtieth line thereof, (the same being the first line of the paragraph respecting the amount authorized to be appropriated for the Canadian National Institute for the Blind and being the fourth paragraph on page 102 of the Charter), and substituting therefor the word "twelve".

(4) Said subsection (1) of Section 310 is further amended by striking out the paragraph enacted by Section 8 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1943, being the fifteenth paragraph of the said Section (and being also the eighth paragraph on page 102 of the Charter), providing for the payment of a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars for the Children's Hospital, and substituting therefor the following:

A sum not exceeding thirty-five thousand dollars for the Children's Hospital.

11. The City may expend the respective sums set out in Schedule "A" hereto for the purposes set out opposite each item. The sums so expended shall be shown as an expenditure made by the City in the year in which the same were expended.

SCHEDULE "A"

To pay as a grant to St. Joseph's Orphanage the sum of	\$5,000.00
To pay as a grant to the Halifax Protestant Orphan's Home the sum of	5,000.00
To pay as a grant to the Canadian Red Cross Society (Homeworkers Service) the sum of	2,000.00
To pay as a grant to the Canadian Red Cross Society (Nova Scotia Division) the sum of	1,500.00
To pay as a grant to the Nova Scotia College of Art the sum of	3,000.00
To pay as a grant to the Halifax Musical Festival Association the sum of	500.00
To pay as a grant to the Halifax Ballet Guild the sum of	500.00
To pay as a grant to the St. John Ambulance Association the sum of	750.00
To pay as a grant to the Mount St. Vincent Re- building Fund the sum of	1,000.00
To pay as a grant to the Bengal Lancers the sum of	2,000.00
To pay as a grant to the Rimouski Fire Fund the sum of	1,000.00
To pay as a grant to the Winnipeg Flood Fund the sum of	1,000.00
To pay as a grant to the Cabana Fire Fund the sum of	1,000.00

12. The inclusion by the City in the estimates of the City for the civic year 1951 of the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars from the capital profit on the sale of the prefabricated houses and the expenditure thereof are hereby ratified and confirmed and declared to have been within the authority of the City.

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and 5 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
MacMillan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Hatfield

- 5 -

PARAGRAPH # 5

Approved with Alderman DeWolf wishing to be recorded against.

PARAGRAPH # 6

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Abbott that this paragraph be approved.

The motion was put and lost 5 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
DeWolf
Duffy
Hatfield
MacMillan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Adams
Breen
Fox
Kitz
Macdonald
Vaughan

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PARAGRAPH # 7

Alderman Macdonald: "Can the employer deduct from the employees' salaries?"

Alderman Hatfield: "Why not have a time limit? Put the onus on the employer."

Alderman DeWolf: "Alderman Hatfield mentioned a time limit. He might be gone in one month. The time limit should be one month."

Assistant City Solicitor: "The employer must forthwith pay the tax."

Alderman Duffy: "Why not tax every trade coming into the City. We have all kinds of people working in offices. The building trade is being penalized."

Alderman Vaughan: "The legislation says 'or'. It should be 'and'."

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Alderman Abbott: "Alderman Duffy had in mind people who come in and work in stores. Those stores are paying business taxes."

Alderman Duffy: "It should include everyone who comes in here for gain."

Moved by Alderman Fox that this matter be deferred.

There was no seconder to this motion.

Alderman DeWolf: "This is for contractors like E. G. M. Cape who spend millions of dollars in work and don't pay a dime."

Alderman MacMillan: "If the word 'building' were deleted that would solve the problem."

Alderman DeWolf: "When the bridge is built there will be a lot of riveters come here from Montreal."

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the paragraph stand.

The motion was put and passed 7 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Hatfield
MacMillan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Kitz
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan

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PARAGRAPH # 8

Alderman Kitz: "If Federal pensions get to be such an amount that they will be as much as we are giving, then we ought to get out of that field."

Moved by Alderman Kitz that legislation be prepared at the present sitting of the House so that if any person who is receiving a pension from the City of Halifax becomes entitled to an Old Age Pension from the Federal or Provincial Governments

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which is as much as the amount which the City of Halifax.....

His Worship the Mayor: "We are going along on a pension scheme. This is a grant. Our pensions will be earned and the men will be entitled to them."

Alderman Kitz: "I don't want the City to pay an amount that the Federal Government is willing to pay."

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Adams that the paragraph be approved.

The motion was put and passed 9 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Fox
Hatfield
Kitz
Macdonald
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Duffy
Vaughan

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PARAGRAPH # 9

Alderman Vaughan: "The amount to be paid to this person will be greater than any grant from the Federal Government."

Alderman Kitz: "A man has retired 5 years ago and he is 66. If the type of Old Age Pension comes in he will still get our \$1,000.00 and also \$480.00. When the new legislation comes into being the City will continue to pay the \$1,000.00. The effect will be that he will get the \$1,000.00 and the \$480.00."

Alderman Fox: "I think this Council has already established a precedent in giving a man \$3,000.00 a year who was no more entitled to that than this man."

His Worship the Mayor: "We have a Pension Plan and what Alderman Kitz says will come before the Retirement Committee. In the Brushett case the man had 16 years service and

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was hurt on duty. In the Durrant case we have a man for sympathetic reasons requires \$960.00. I don't think any Alderman here would want to pitch that man out."

Alderman Vaughan: "We are adding to next year's estimates a sum of \$2,000.00 approximately."

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen that the paragraph be approved.

The motion was put and passed 9 voting for same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Duffy
Vaughan

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PARAGRAPH # 10 -1

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Breen that the paragraph be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Breen, DeWolf, Duffy, Fox, Hatfield, Kitz, Macdonald, MacMillan and Vaughan.

PARAGRAPH # 10 -2

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Adams that the paragraph be approved.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Adams
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
Duffy
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Abbott
Vaughan

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PARAGRAPH # 10 -3

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Adams that the paragraph be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Breen, DeWolf, Duffy, Fox, Hatfield, Kitz, Macdonald, MacMillan and Vaughan.

PARAGRAPH # 10 -4

Alderman Kitz: "On this \$35,000.00 annual grant I feel if we make this large payment we are going to make a grave and serious error indeed. Our responsibility with regard to hospitals has been set. We are to look after certain types such as the Tuberculosis and Infectious Diseases Hospitals. When we pay one penny to the Children's Hospital we are paying money which falls normally into the responsibility and jurisdiction of the Provincial Government. We would be bearing the responsibility of the Provincial Government. It is with much reluctance that I can't bring myself in favor of voting for this large amount. It is just not our responsibility and we should not meet it for an amount of this size."

Alderman Breen: "I more or less have to agree with Alderman Kitz and I will have to vote against the \$35,000.00. If we could make a special grant this year for \$30,000.00 and the \$5,000.00 remain, I would be glad to support it."

Mr. Donald G. Grant then addressed the Council on the matter outlining the needs of the hospital and what faced the Board of Management with respect to the \$70,000.00 deficit. He stated that half of the patients were from the City of Halifax and therefore the Board felt that the City of Halifax should look after one half of the deficit.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the paragraph be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Breen, seconded by

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Alderman Hatfield that Paragraph #10 - 4 be deleted from the legislation and that an amount of \$30,000.00 be placed in Schedule "A".

Alderman Fox: "I think education and health go hand in hand. Is it not for a good cause? I think it is myself."

Alderman DeWolf: "As far as I am concerned it has come to a point where the City must get money from Government or we must be allowed to adopt some other form of taxation other than against properties. We must demand that right. The taxes are going to be high this year. I would like to see this as a temporary matter. I don't think it should be made a permanent fixture."

Alderman Adams, with the permission of the seconder, withdrew his motion.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Kitz

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SCHEDULE "A"

ITEM #1

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM #2

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that this item be approved. Motion passed.

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ITEM #3

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM #4

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM #5

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen that this amount be set at \$1,500.00. Motion passed.

ITEM #6

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Breen that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM #7

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Kitz that this item be approved.

The motion was put and lost 2 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Kitz

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

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ITEM #8

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Breen that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM #9

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Breen that this item be approved. Motion passed.

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ITEM #10

Alderman Vaughan: "The Bengal Lancers is the show part of this organization. The City is subsidizing that operation already by giving them quarters for their horses. In fairness to all when I opposed the creation of tennis courts on the commons I gave reasons against it. The amount of money they were going to spend would serve a larger number of people than the Bengal Lancers who are around 40. They can afford to pay for their recreation."

His Worship the Mayor: "It is the idea of a citizen of this City who gave his life to it. He sold it to the City of Toronto. He spent most of his time in making colorful things for the City. It has an advertising value for the City. If you can't help him we will lose the Bengal Lancers."

Alderman Vaughan: "Where does this grant differ from the Ballet Guild? They were in Montreal and they put on a steller performance. In last week's issue of the Toronto Saturday Night it carried an article on it. They said that traffic was blocked from the crowds going to see it. The City got publicity on it without spending a nickel. The Bengal Lancers will still continue if this grant is turned down. I feel quite committed to that."

Alderman Hatfield: "I had a talk with Mr. Zwicker and he told me all about the organization. For publicity value he has gone a long way on this."

Alderman Fox: "In making a grant of \$2,000.00 we are again catering to a small number of people. Can't the City get a lot of advertising for \$2,000.00?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The Bengal Lancers is Halifax. Are we going to keep it in Halifax?"

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Fox that this item be deleted from the Schedule.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Macdonald, seconded

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by Alderman MacMillan that the grant be set at \$1,000.00.

The amendment was put and passed 9 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Duffy
Fox
Kitz
Macdonald
MacMillan
Hatfield

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Vaughan

- 2 -

ITEMS #11, 12 and 13

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen that these items be approved. Motion passed.

GRANT \$30,000.00 TO THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that this item be approved.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield
Vaughan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Kitz

- 1 -

PARAGRAPH # 12

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that this paragraph be approved. Motion passed.

LICENSING REAL ESTATE BROKERS

Legislation respecting Licensing Real Estate Brokers was submitted and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Copies of the draft were furnished the members of Council.

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1 Subsection (1) of Section 149 is amended by striking out the words "by the Council or by a Committee thereof" in the fifth and sixth lines thereof.

2 Clause (b) of subsection (9) of Section 425 is amended by striking out the words "Finance and Executive Committee" in the first and second lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

3 Subsection (2) of Section 512 is amended by inserting therein between the words "shall" and "be" in the fifth line thereof the words "subject to the supervision of the City Manager".

4 Subsection (1) of Section 514 is amended by inserting therein between the words "Committee" and "may" in the first line thereof the words "after consultation with the City Manager".

5 Subsection (5) of Section 516 is amended by striking out the words "Committee on Works" where the same occurs in the seventh and eighth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager".

6 Subsection (1) of Section 519 is amended by adding thereto the words "after consultation with the City Manager".

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the Engineer or does he by-pass him?"

Alderman Vaughan: "He can."

Alderman Kitz: "That would be most unlikely. I could hardly see a City Manager drawing up plans without the use of the Engineering Department."

Alderman DeWolf: "I take it that the Engineer can have a recommendation in stating his views. Is the City Engineer going to be given the privilege, if his opinion is contrary to the City Manager, to speak to the Council?"

Alderman Kitz: "If there were disagreement the Heads could present their views. Is that not correct?"

City Solicitor: "Yes. In the case of the Works Department Section 516 of the Charter is not touched. He should call upon the Engineering staff for work of that kind."

The City Solicitor then read Section 516 for the information of the Council.

Alderman Moriarty: "Under Section 118 E it says 'he may.' That gives him full authority to exercise his office in carrying out his duties."

City Solicitor: "He could ignore the Heads of Departments. A project originating in the Works Department would come from the Commissioner of Works through the Manager to the Committee or Council instead of from the Commissioner of Works."

Alderman Breen: "As I see it the Charter contradicts itself. There is nothing to prevent the Commissioner of Works from submitting something to the Committee."

City Solicitor: "The Manager is responsible for getting that information to the Committee."

Alderman Breen: "Now it comes direct to the Committee."

Alderman Kitz: "The Commissioner of Works is responsible for drafting but he does no drafting. He brings it up to the Committee on Works. If a building were going to be built, I would not think that the plans would be made by a non-drafting man."

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Alderman DeWolf: "In the matter of certain streets to be paved, I would like to see him consult with the Engineer."

His Worship the Mayor: "If you want to wash out the Committee system that will be all well and good or are you going to build up another Department and still carry on with the Committees?"

Alderman Breen: "If I can be assured on this "A" and "B" that the Charter is not contradicting that will be alright."

The City Solicitor then read Section 516 of the Charter again.

City Solicitor: "With regard to section 118 B this Clause deals with the preparation in laying out the work to be done. If playgrounds were being considered as necessary the Manager might say a certain number should be provided and work out the locations. That would be a plan. He would bring it to the Council and they would say 'yes, let's set it up.' It would then come under the Commissioner of Works."

Alderman Kitz: "You may find a situation where the City Manager has over-ruled a Department Head and you might like to hear from the Department Head."

Alderman Vaughan: "It all boils down to one sentence 'he shall be responsible to the Council.' If this man does something wrong I think the citizens could have this man dismissed. If a City Manager is employed and we feel he is not carrying out his office to the best interest of the citizens then that man should be removed from office. We have that power. All this wrangling is only hacking at it. We already discussed this and passed it through Council with only one dissenting voice."

His Worship the Mayor: "My question is 'how does it differ with the present system'?"

Alderman Kitz: "In this way. If you are dealing with streets and playgrounds this man approaches it in all the various phases."

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His Worship the Mayor: "You still continue the Committee. What is the function of the Committee?"

Alderman Vaughan: "To remove from Council a great deal of things that could be handled by the Committee. Many things would cease in Committee and not come to the Council. We have no over-all administrative head. We have a Mayor who is tied down to 3 years. Without continuity of administration how can we have a successful one?"

Alderman Fox: "When policy is set by this Council with a City Manager I feel it will reach its destination without being tampered with. It has not always gone to its destination without being tampered with. That is one of the things a City Manager will eliminate."

Section 118 B - A & B was then approved with Aldermen Breen and Moriarty wishing to be recorded against.

118 B - C

Approved.

118 B - D

Approved.

118 B - E

Approved.

118 B - F

Approved.

118 B - G

Approved.

118 B - H

Approved.

118 B - I

Approved.

118 B - J

Approved.

118 B - K

Approved.

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Alderman Abbott: "The Charter now permits the Commissioner of Finance to attend meetings of the Board of School Commissioners. Would this take the power away from him?"

City Solicitor: "No. It is still there. He will still have the right to attend."

Alderman DeWolf: "The City Manager should attend the School Board meeting also."

118 B - L

Approved.

118 B - M

Approved.

118 C - A & B

City Solicitor: "All those appointments will be filled by the Council on the recommendation of the City Manager but the rest of the appointments will be made by the City Manager himself."

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that Deputies be placed in the same class as the Department Heads.

Alderman Macdonald requested information on the matter of appointments which was explained by the City Solicitor.

Alderman Fox: "If the Manager is not going to manage what is he going to do? I think the City Manager should be City Manager. He should be allowed to appoint these people."

Alderman Moriarty: "Influence might be brought upon the City Manager and the City might not get the best appointment."

The motion was put and lost 3 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Moriarty
Breen
Adams

AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Abbott
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

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The City Solicitor stated that the following should be added in the last line of Clause 118C - A after the word "Council" viz: "or at the next meeting of the Council called for that purpose."

This was agreed to and 118C - A & B was then approved.

118 - D

Approved.

118 - E

Approved.

Alderman Kitz: "I am going to make a motion that will be 118F."

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that any Department Head may at any time report to his respective Committee to advise if he is or is not in agreement with any plan, proposal or appointment of the City Manager.

The motion was put and passed 10 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Duffy
Hatfield
Kitz
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Fox

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PARAGRAPH #3 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #3 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #4

This Paragraph was amended to read "Section 120 is amended by striking out the words "appointed by the Council or by a Committee thereof" in the first and second lines thereof.

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PARAGRAPH #5 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #5 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #5 - 3

Alderman Breen asked a question regarding appointments in the Courts Department.

City Solicitor: "If the establishment is to be increased the Manager appoints to it and if it is to be decreased he must let out someone. The Safety Committee was given authority to say how many persons would be employed in the Court."

The City Solicitor then read Section 123-1 of the City Charter.

Alderman Moriarty: "Does that not conflict with 118B?"

City Solicitor: "No I don't think so. The appointments have to be made by the Manager in accordance with the decision of the Council."

Paragraph # 5 - 3 was then approved.

PARAGRAPH #5 - 4

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #5 - 5

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #6A

Alderman Adams: "How will that affect the Police & Fire Departments?"

City Solicitor: "There are Sections on Page 11 dealing with that."

Alderman Breen: "He can recommend the dismissal of the head. It will take his recommendation."

City Solicitor: "Yes."

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #6B

Approved.

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PARAGRAPH #6C

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #7

Approved after adding the words "or dies" immediately following the word "same" in the last line thereof.

PARAGRAPH #8

This paragraph was amended to read as follows:

"Subsection 5 of Section 123 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(5) The head of any Department other than the Police Force and Fire Department may from time to time employ and dismiss such number and kind of casual and temporary employees as may be approved in writing by the City Manager as being required for the work of such Department."

PARAGRAPH #9 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #9 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH #9 - 3

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 10

Approved after adding the words "or dies" immediately following the word "office" in the last line thereof.

PARAGRAPH # 11

Alderman Vaughan: "Put in 'Mayor and or'."

Alderman Hatfield: "I think the Mayor should not be in there. It should be left with the Manager."

Alderman Vaughan: "He may be absent from the City."

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the words "Mayor and or" be inserted between the words "the" and "City" in the first line thereof.

The motion was put and resulted in a tie 6 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Adams
Macdonald
Kitz
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Abbott
Hatfield
MacMillan

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His Worship the Mayor: "That deals with the Mayor and it is unfair for the Mayor to vote. I am going to throw it back at you to iron out."

Alderman Vaughan: "I asked if any of this legislation concerning the establishing of the City Manager takes away any of the Mayor's powers and I was told 'no.' I am against it in any respect."

His Worship the Mayor: "I am not going to exercise a vote on this."

Alderman Vaughan asked the City Solicitor what the position would be if the Mayor did not vote and was told that the motion was lost until the Mayor made a decision.

His Worship the Mayor: "I am not going to vote."

The motion was then declared lost.

This Paragraph remained as drafted.

PARAGRAPH # 12

This Paragraph was amended to read as follows:

Section 131 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

131. Every officer or employee who engages in any business or occupation which the Council by ordinance or resolution has declared to be incompatible with the satisfactory performance of his duties as an officer or employee of the City, shall be liable to be suspended or dismissed from his office or employment by the Council if such officer or employee holds one of the positions set out in sub-section 1 of section 119 or by the City Manager in any other case.

Approved.

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PARAGRAPH # 13

This Paragraph was deleted and the following substituted therefor:

13. (1) Clause (a) of subsection (1) of Section 134 is amended by striking out the words "whether such person be appointed by the Council or a Committee thereof" in the fourth and fifth lines thereof.

(2) Subsection (2) of said Section 134 is amended by striking out the words "the Committee having the management or supervision of the department to which such officer is appointed may by resolution, by-law or regulation" in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "the City Manager may by order in writing."

(3) Said subsection (2) of Section 134 is further amended by striking out the words "resolution, by-law or regulation of such Committee" in the eighth and ninth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "such order."

PARAGRAPH # 14

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 14A

Subsection (1) of Section 149 is amended by striking out the words "by the Council or by a Committee thereof" in the fifth and sixth lines thereof.

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 15 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 15 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 16 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 16 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 16 - 3

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 16 - 4

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 17 - 1

Approved.

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PARAGRAPH # 17 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 18

His Worship the Mayor: "Does that put the officer in an undue position by having to take orders from 3 people. The personnel of the Police and Fire Departments and the discipline and loyalty to duty is upon the Head of the Department and I want it that way."

Alderman Abbott: "I don't think anything should be done to hamper the efficiency of the Police and Fire Departments."

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the Police and Fire Departments be taken from under the control of the City Manager.

Alderman Fox: "At present time the Chief is to obey the Mayor and the Stipendiary Magistrate. I would not think a City Manager is going to come in here and harm any Department. I think it would be full co-operation by the City Manager."

Alderman Hatfield: "The Manager should control the budget. He should have control over personnel alone. There may be other things, I can't think of at this moment. You must give him some control. The Police Department may spend more money and he has no control of the budget."

Alderman Fox: "There are certain things the Mayor or Magistrate can't order the Chief to do regarding law enforcement."

His Worship the Mayor: "I am a little disturbed on something that would shake the loyalty of the Departments. They centre around a man."

Alderman Abbott: "I would not want to see anything interfere with the efficient operation of those two Departments."

Alderman Kitz: "Surely he means no more than matters of personnel and discipline. If you are going to take out $\frac{1}{2}$ of the personnel you are going to cut one-half of the ground out."

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It could be that the Manager shall have no direct control over discipline or personnel."

City Solicitor to Alderman Abbott: "You mean the Chief Officer is out and the appointment of members to be on the recommendation of the Chief to the Safety Committee?"

Alderman Abbott: "Yes."

Alderman Vaughan: "As we said the City Manager would not interfere with the operation of the Police or Fire Departments. I only hope that the City of Halifax can get a good administrator regardless whether he is a good lawyer, engineer or financial man. No man exists here. All we want is a good administrator who will oversee the City's operation from day to day."

Alderman Macdonald: "I don't know how a man trained in the commercial world would know how to pick out a good policeman or fireman."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Hatfield that the Fire Chief and Police Chief have full control of hiring and firing and the discipline of their men.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

Alderman Fox: "The amendment gives the Police and Fire Chiefs more power than they have now."

Alderman Vaughan: "Any manager who would tamper with the Departments would have a short term."

Alderman Kitz: "Alderman Abbott should include in his motion for the purpose of discipline and appointments."

Alderman DeWolf: "If you are going to have the Manager deal with the budget, you could separate it from discipline."

Alderman Vaughan: "If you leave out the Police and Fire Departments you are bringing in a man to direct 60% of the City's activities. You are not going to get a Manager."

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Alderman DeWolf: "The Police and Fire Chiefs recommend to the Safety Committee as to what changes they want to make in their Departments and they will continue to so report to the Safety Committee as to the appointments, dismissals and promotions they desire to make and discipline and policy shall be left solely in their hands."

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Fox that the Police and Fire Departments with respect to discipline, appointments, dismissals and promotions shall be carried on in the same manner as at present on the recommendation of the respective Chiefs to the Safety Committee but the annual budget of each Department shall come under the control of the City Manager.

Alderman Abbott with the permission of his seconder withdrew his motion.

The amendment then became the motion and on being put was passed 9 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
DeWolf
Duffy
Fox
Hatfield
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Kitz
Vaughan

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The Paragraph was then deleted.

Paragraphs 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27 were deleted.

PARAGRAPH # 28 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 28 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 29

Approved.

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PARAGRAPH # 30 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 30 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 31

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 32

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 33

Approved.

The following Sections were approved.

1. Subsection (1) of Section 149 is amended by striking out the words "by the Council or by a Committee thereof" in the fifth and sixth lines thereof.
2. Clause (b) of subsection (9) of Section 425 is amended by striking out the words "Finance and Executive Committee" in the first and second lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager."
3. Subsection (2) of Section 512 is amended by inserting therein between the words "shall" and "be" in the fifth line thereof the words "subject to the supervision of the City Manager."
4. Subsection (1) of Section 514 is amended by inserting therein between the words "Committee" and "may" in the first line thereof the words "after consultation with the City Manager."
5. Subsection (5) of Section 516 is amended by striking out the words "Committee on Works" where the same occurs in the seventh and eighth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "City Manager."
6. Subsection (1) of Section 519 is amended by adding thereto the words "after consultation with the City Manager."

PARAGRAPH # 34

His Worship the Mayor: "You give the City Manager the authority the Council has not."

City Solicitor: "The Council took that away."

His Worship the Mayor: "You are giving the City Manager authority to hire and fire."

Alderman Vaughan: "You already agreed to that."

Approved.

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PARAGRAPH # 35

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 36

This Paragraph was deleted.

PARAGRAPH # 37 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 37 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 38 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 38 - 2

Approved after adding the words "or dies" immediately following the word "same" in the last line thereof.

PARAGRAPH # 38 - 3

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 39

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 40

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 41 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 41 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 42 - 1

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 42 - 2

Approved.

PARAGRAPH # 43

This paragraph was deleted.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare the Bill for presentation to the Legislature in accordance with the legislation as amended and approved at this meeting. Motion passed.

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

Meeting adjourned.

10:30 P. M.

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