

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY

MARCH 15, 1951

A G E N D A

Prayer.
Minutes.

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32. " " " Bayers Road Widening.
33. " " " Sewer Extension Dudley & Warren Sts.
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36. Report Town Planning Board re Subdivision of Land (Rainnie Drive).
37. " Housing Accommodation Comm. re Accounts over \$200.00.
38. " Prefabricated Housing Comm. re Accounts over \$200.00.
39. " Recreation Committee re Repairs Wading Pool.
40. Financial Statement Forum Commission.
41. Questions.
42. Letter Halifax North Civic Improvement Assoc. re Sale of Land.
43. Tax Rate.
44. Approval of Borrowings etc.
45. Report Chief Accountant re Tax Collections month of February.

EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
March 15, 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, Macdonald, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and Duffy.

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

The following named papers were submitted.

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

DEATH OF ALDERMAN C. H. HOSTERMAN

His Worship the Mayor referred to the passing of Alderman Hosterman and at his request Council observed two minutes silence to respect his memory.

RESIGNATION ALDERMAN L. A. KITZ

Halifax, N. S.,
13th March 1951.

The City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr. Publicover,

I hereby resign as Alderman of Ward 4 of this City.

My purpose in resigning is to offer as candidate for Mayor on April 25^{next}. If I am successful in this election, I would of course serve for the ensuing year only, and leave the post vacant in May 1952, and thereby conform with the practice recognized and observed in this City for the rotation

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of Mayors.

Yours very truly,

L. A. Kitz.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the seat formerly held by Alderman Kitz be declared vacant and that Council fix Wednesday, April 25, 1951 as the date for the election to fill the vacancy. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION Re: ACCOUNTS

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

RESOLVED that this Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Finance & Executive Committee amounting to \$29,067.46; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$3,128.38 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$32,784.54 chargeable to Fire Department; \$29,311.44 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health & Welfare amounting to \$63,996.03 chargeable to Health Department; \$15,189.48 chargeable to City Home; \$3,733.20 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$19,729.10; the Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$1,574.44; the Recreation Committee amounting to \$953.96; the Housing Accommodation Committee amounting to \$5,031.14 and the Prefabricated Housing Committee amounting to \$1,188.22 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
March 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date approved and recommended for payment the fol-

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Following accounts:

Allen Print	\$ 522.99
Remington Rand Limited	380.35
S. P. Zive & Son, Ltd.	1,270.50

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PRESENTATION MEDALLIONS TO ALDERMEN HATFIELD & MacMILLAN

At this time His Worship the Mayor presented Medallions
to Aldermen Hatfield and MacMillan to be worn during their
tenure of office.

TAG DAYS

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 it was agreed to recommend that appli-
cations for tag days be approved as follows:

Canadian Cancer Society	Saturday,	April 28
Local Council of Women of Hfx.	"	May 5
The Salvation Army	"	May 26
The Jost Mission	"	June 9
Sir Samuel Cunard Chpt. I.O.D.E.	"	Sept. 1

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

Halifax, N. S.,
March 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

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The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered the matter of Daylight Saving Time.

It was agreed to recommend that Daylight Saving Time be observed in the City of Halifax from 12:01 A. M., Sunday, April 29, 1951, to 12:01 A. M., Sunday, September 30, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAX WRITE-OFFS

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 Commissioner of Finance requesting that uncollectible tax accounts amounting to \$2,385.66 be written off.

Your Committee recommends that the above amount 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.

SUPERANNUATION REFUNDS

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 from Tyrone Pedigerne and Cornelius Ryan for refunds of their contributions to the Superannuation Plan up to December 31, 1950, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the requests be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

March 15, 1951.

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

TENDERS FOR LAND

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 tenders for land recently advertised
for sale were considered from the following:

1. Lot on the east side of Connaught Avenue between
Chebucto Road and Berlin St., having a frontage thereon of fifty
feet and a depth of seventy-five feet.

C. J. Walker	\$1,250.00
Gerald P. Muise	1,075.00
Miss Dorothy Poirier	1,005.00
R. MacD. Black	950.00
Bianco Brothers	900.00
George A. Tidgwell	900.00
C. J. Hollett	810.00
Allan G. Conrod	800.00
Elizabeth A. Butler	800.00
Henry W. Corkum	765.00
Charles F. Morris	760.00
A. J. Meagher	755.00
H. V. Mosher	750.00
W. P. Allen	700.00
B. A. Giffen	500.00

2. Lot on the western side of Basinview Drive having
a frontage thereon of one hundred and sixty feet and containing
30,000 sq. ft. more or less.

Henry W. Corkum	\$1,712.00
A. J. Meagher	1,510.00
B. A. Giffen	1,450.00
Bianco Bros.	1,400.00
Gerald P. Muise	1,125.00

3. Lot on the south side of the proposed extension
of Forrester St., having a frontage thereon of five hundred
and ninety feet and containing 114,400 sq. ft. more or less.

Standard Paving Maritime Limited \$2,300.00

Your Committee recommends that the following tenders
be approved:

C. J. Walker	\$1,250.00
Henry W. Corkum	\$1,712.00
Standard Paving Maritime Limited	\$2,300.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Fox: "Is that the same property that was recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee for sale to W. A. Andrews?"

City Assessor: "Yes."

Alderman Duffy: "If we sell all the City property where are we going to put the low rental housing?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I think this is sold on instructions from Council."

The motion was then put and passed.

TENDERS FOR PRINTING ESTIMATES

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 tenders for printing 200 copies of the Estimates for the Civic Year 1951 were considered from the following:

Atlantic Print	\$5.00	per page plus tax				
The Ross Print Ltd.	5.50	"	"	"	"	"
Halcraft Printing Ltd.	5.95	"	"	"	"	"
Mitchell Printing Service Limited	6.35	"	"	"	"	"
The Allen Print Limited	6.35	"	"	"	"	"
Nova Print Limited	6.92	"	"	"	"	"
Imperial Press Limited	9.50	"	"	"	"	"
Wm. Macnab & Son	10.00	"	"	"	"	"
Eastern Photo Engravers	13.50	"	"	"	"	"

Your Committee recommends that the lowest tender that of The Atlantic Print be approved.

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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TENDERS FOR BLINDS HALIFAX MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Halifax, N. S.,
March 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered the attached report from the Halifax Memorial Library Committee respecting tenders for blinds.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved Alderman DeWolf dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

March 5, 1951.

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

Dear Mr. Publicover:-

I have been asked to forward the following recommendation from the Halifax Memorial Library Sub-committee on Furnishings, chaired by Mr. Howard Oxley, to the Finance and Executive Committee for its consideration at its next meeting.

It is recommended that the architect be authorized to accept the tender of the Gordon Venetian Blind Company at \$1,576.50 to provide Flexalum Venetian blinds with highest quality Vinyl Plastic tape throughout the library building.

According to the building specifications, the "contractor" shall supply and install on each and every one of all sashes, except transom sash and small sash in the boiler room, individual window shades of approved heavy material, color to be selected by the architect...." Consequently the cost of the Venetian blinds would be the difference between the quoted price of \$1,576.50 and the approximate credit of \$750. allowed to the contractor on the blinds as originally specified.

Please note that the quoted price of \$1,576.50 will not hold after March 17, 1951.

Very sincerely yours,

Mary Cameron
Chief Librarian.

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

RULES ETC. HALIFAX MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 Halifax Memorial Library Committee respecting recommendations for the operation of the Library was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Pridmore,
CITY CLERK.

The sub-committee of the Halifax Memorial Library Committee on Rules and Regulations met at 5 P. M. Wednesday, February 7 in the Bellevue Building. Present: Chairman Mrs. Gibson, Alderman MacMillan, Mrs. Marshall, Mr. Crowdis, Mrs. Chipman, Mr. Grossman, and Mrs. Linton.

The following recommendations for the operation of the library are made by the Committee:

Hours: The library shall be open from 9 A. M. to 9 P. M. daily except Wednesday, when it shall be open from 9 A. M. to 1 P. M. During July and August it shall close at 6 P. M. Saturday. The Children's Dept. shall be open from 9 A. M. until 6 P. M. daily except Wednesday when it shall be open from 9 A. M. until 1 P. M.

The Committee would like to recommend that the hours suggested here be tentative. There are definite limitations to the twelve hour per day service because of the small staff. With this in mind it might be found that a rearrangement of the hours would make for better service. For instance, some of the members of the Committee felt that the amount of use made by the public on Wednesday morning would be very limited, and it might be wiser to close to the public for the whole day giving an opportunity for much necessary behind-the-scenes work.

Membership: Membership in the library shall be free to taxpayers and residents. If proof of same cannot be provided, the registrant must have his application card signed by a taxpayer who acts as his guarantor, and who will be liable for any losses incurred by the library as a result of this application. Non residents may become members of the library upon payment of a fee of \$5.00 per year; \$2.50 per year for members of the Juvenile Dept.

Fines, damaged books & reserves: Fines on overdue books shall be charged at the rate of two cents per day per book up to the value of the book. In addition, a borrower who is notified of an overdue book will pay an additional five cents for each such notice. This is to cover the cost of notification by mail.

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Borrowers who lose or damage books beyond repair will be charged the replacement cost. Minor damages will be charged on the estimated cost of repair. Fines may be reserved for a charge of five cents per title, payable at the time of reservation. Borrowers will be notified when books so reserved are available.

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

CAPITAL BUDGET - PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

March 15, 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 report of the Commission of Finance submitting the 1951 Capital Budget for the Public Service Commission was considered.

Your Committee recommended that the report be approved and a borrowing resolution be passed and forwarded to the Mayor for approval.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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 thereon: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

LEGISLATION

March 15, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered the attached legislation respecting the fluctuating tax rate as prepared by the City Solicitor and agreed to recommend same to Council for approval.

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

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(1) Notwithstanding the approval by the Council of the estimates for the civic year 1951 and the authorization by the said Council of the rating of certain sums upon the inhabitants, property and companies under the provisions of Section 312, and the fixing of the tax rate for the said civic year by the Commissioner of Finance and Accounts under the provisions of Section 409, the Council, on or before the first day of August 1951, may approve of and authorize a reduction in the amount of the tax imposed for such civic year, pursuant to such tax rate so fixed, upon the persons liable to pay the same.

(2) The amount of such reduction shall be determined by the amount of additional revenue which the City shall be entitled to receive in respect of the civic year 1951 from grants in lieu of taxes from the Government of Canada or from the Government of the Province of Nova Scotia, or from both Governments, and which amounts are not included in the estimates for the said civic year, together with any additional revenue which the City may be entitled to receive in respect of any purpose, work or service in excess of the revenue included in the said estimates, and the tax imposed upon such persons shall be the same as if such additional revenue had been included in the said estimates so submitted to the Council as required by Section 312 prior to the approval of the same by the Council.

(3) The Commissioner of Finance and Accounts shall calculate the amount of the reduction which each such person shall be entitled to receive and shall credit such amount to the account of such person.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report and legislation as submitted be approved.

Alderman Hatfield: "What would it cost to do this extra clerical work? It may be quite considerable?"

His Worship the Mayor: "A nominal amount."

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Mr. Bellew: "This is just the legislation. It will have to come back to Council to prorate. It would be the reverse of our tax billing operation which is underway now. It may cost around six or seven hundred dollars."

The motion was then put and passed.

CONFERENCE MUNICIPAL FINANCE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

Halifax, N. S.,
March 15, 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 request from the Commissioner of Finance for authority to attend the Annual Conference of the Municipal Finance Officers Association which is being held in Dallas, Texas from April 23-26 next was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted. Aldermen Kitz and Vaughan dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Fox
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty

AGAINST IT

Alderman Duffy
Hatfield
Vaughan

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ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
March 8, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above

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date approved and recommended for payment an account of J. & M. Murphy Limited, amounting to \$222.75, covering sheets, pillow slips and towels supplied to the Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

FIRE ALARM SERVICE CONNECTION

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 attached report from the City Electrician respecting a fire alarm service connection at #109 Hollis Street was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 6th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Safety Committee.

Gentlemen:

In connection with the attached application from Mr. W. Ingham, Assistant Manager of Priest & Son, for service connection for their sprinkler system in the building on Hollis Street, to the City Fire Alarm Telegraph System, I would recommend that the same be granted without yearly charge, as the installation of this signal box would be accessible to the general public, being installed at the east side of Hollis Street, between Sackville and Prince.

All cost concerned will be borne by said company. The equipment to be approved by the City Electrician and the City reserves the right to discontinue this service at any time it may be in their interest to do so.

Yours very truly,

A. P. Flynn,
CITY ELECTRICIAN.

March 15, 1951.

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

PURCHASE PHOTOGRAPHY EQUIPMENT POLICE DEPT.

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 Police
requesting authority to purchase in the best interests of the
City approximately \$450.00 worth of equipment for the Photography
Branch of the Department.

Your Committee recommends 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.

TENDERS FOR UNIFORMS POLICE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 tenders for the supply of Uniforms etc. for the
members of the Police Department were considered and it was agreed
to recommend the following for approval.

Uniform Suits

Clayton & Sons

\$ 46.75

Frock Coats

Clayton & Sons

35.25

Shirts

Colwell Bros. Ltd.

4.12

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

March 15, 1951.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
March 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

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

HALIFAX TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Nivea Pharmaceuticals Limited	\$ 217.50
Parke, Davis & Company, Ltd.	1,325.49
Maritime Elevator & Equipment Co.	824.30
Merck & Co. Limited	1,560.75
Johnson & Johnson Limited	211.25
W. H. Walsh	325.63
Howard's Limited	1,635.93
Cogswell's Limited	523.80
Can. Industrial Alcohols & Chemicals Ltd.	563.75

INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL

Parke, Davis & Company, Limited	\$ 631.31
Ingram & Bell Limited	227.39

CITY HOME

Scotia Flour & Feed Co. Limited	\$ 926.66
Northern Electric Co. Limited	281.81
J. & M. Murphy, Limited	532.19
J. A. Leaman & Company Limited	1,562.67

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR LINEN

Halifax, N. S.,
March 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee
held on the above date tenders for the supply of Linen to the
Tuberculosis and Infectious Diseases Hospitals were considered.

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It was agreed to recommend that the lowest tenders be approved viz.

T. Eaton Co. (Maritimes) Ltd.

1000 yds. Bleached Sheeting 81" wide \$1,296.00

Wood Bros. Co. Ltd.

24 doz. Face Towels @ \$1.80	43.20
24 doz. Pillow Slips @ \$9.00	216.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

BLUE CROSS CONTRACT

Halifax, N. S.,
March 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date a contract of the Maritime Hospital Service Association affecting Subscribers and Members of the Blue Cross Plan admitted to the Infectious Diseases Hospital was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the contract be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute same on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The Commissioner of Health requested that this matter be referred back to the Public Health and Welfare Committee for further consideration.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that this matter be referred back to the Public Health and Welfare Committee. Motion passed.

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ACCOUNTS OVER \$ 500.00

March 9th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 6th, the following accounts over \$500.00 were approved and recommended to City Council for payment:

Citadel Motors Limited	\$ 6,248.28
W. G. Foley & Son Limited	1,000.00
Hills and Sons Limited	1,512.10
Purdy Motors Ltd.	17,494.00
A. M. Smith and Co. Limited	2,510.25
Riley Sales Company	633.96
Super Tire Treaders Limited	541.00

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.

FINAL CERTIFICATES

March 13th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 12th, the attached final certificates were approved and recommended to City Council for payment:

Walker and Hall Limited	\$ 37,809.89
H. W. Corkum Construction Co. Ltd.	866.40
Standard Paving Maritime Ltd.	24,614.80

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.

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ILLUMINATED SIGNS

March 13th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

Helen D. Pottie	43 $\frac{1}{2}$ Cogswell St.	\$5.00
Bryant Electric Co. Ltd.	167 Gottingen St.	5.00
Day Nite Neon Signs	19 $\frac{1}{2}$ Morris St.	5.00

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.

STREET LIGHTING

March 3rd, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 27th 1951, the attached reports from the City Electrician recommending that 2 250 C. P. Lights be installed on Highland Avenue, 1 - 250 C. P. light on Beauford Avenue near Oakland Road, 1 - 250 C. P. light on Oakland Road near Robie Street, and 1 - 250 C. P. light on Lucknow Street, were approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

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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CHANGE OF STREET NAME

March 9th, 1951.

Requests to Change Name of Miller Street

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 6th, requests to change the name of Miller Street to Point Pleasant Drive were considered.

On Motion of Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond, the Committee recommended to City Council that the name of Miller Street be changed to Point Pleasant Drive.

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.

Alderman Fox: "Is Council going to change the name of streets without a petition?"

Alderman Moriarty: "The residents asked me to present to the Committee on Works a request to have this name changed on account of complications. If a petition is necessary I will have them send one in."

Alderman Fox: "That is different. I am 100% for it."

Alderman MacMillan: "Some streets and buildings are named after men who rendered distinguished service to the City. I don't know who Miller was. Perhaps the new name may not be as worthy as the first one."

Alderman Moriarty: "It was the property known as Miller's Field in that section of the City."

The motion was then put and passed.

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TREE PLANTING

March 3rd, 1951.

Proposed Tree Planting - Spring 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 27th, 1951, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that 342 trees be planted at an estimated cost of \$1368.00, as per list submitted by Mr. Power, Superintendent of Parks and Grounds, was considered.

The Committee approved the report after deleting Agricola Street, both sides, Young Street to Hillside Avenue, and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Feb. 22, 1951.

Mr. A. C. Harris,
Comm. of Works, Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

Herewith is list of streets that could be planted with trees this Spring. Also shown is estimated number of trees required, and approximate cost per street.

<u>STREET</u>	<u>NO. OF TREES</u>	<u>APPROX. COST</u>
Churchill Drive, both sides, Flinn St. to Roosevelt Dr.	34	\$136.00
Patricia St., both sides McDonald St. to Churchill Dr.	11	44.00
Phillips St., both sides, Chebucto Rd., to Churchill Dr.	30	120.00
Joseph St., both sides, Chebucto Rd., to Churchill Dr.	27	108.00
Gonnaught Ave., both sides, Chebucto Rd., to Bayers Rd.	106	424.00
Agricola St., both sides, Young St. to Hillside Ave.	104	416.00
Agricola St., Blvde., Duffus to Hillside Ave.	8	32.00
Russell St., both sides, Robie St. to Agricola St.	22	88.00
	<u>342</u>	<u>\$1,368.00</u>

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The above prices are based on labour rates prevailing in 1950. If new rates come into effect it would be well to add 10% to the above costs.

I also anticipate the replacement of approximately 125 trees -- this is the number we may expect to be broken by Spring.

It is our intention to plant an additional 600 trees in the Fall.

Yours very truly,

George J. Power,
Supt. Parks and Grounds.

March 9th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 6th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that an additional list of 213 trees be ordered to be planted when weather permits, making a total of 451 trees, 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.

March 2nd, 1951.

To Mr. A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works,
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir: Re: Proposed Tree Planting Spring 1951
Addition to Revised List d/22 February 1951.

As requested by you I am hereby submitting the names of additional streets which could be planted.

<u>STREET</u>	<u>NO. OF TREES</u>	<u>APPROX. COST</u>
Oxford St. both sides - Quinpool Rd. to Chebucto Road	65	\$ 260.00
Allen St. both sides - Oxford to Harvard St.	10	40.00
Oak St. both sides - Oxford to Connaught Ave.	49	196.00
Charles St. both sides, Windsor St. to Matthias	12	48.00

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Livingstone St. both sides Isleville St. to Robie St.	42	\$ 168.00
Leaman St. both sides Drummond Court to Normandy Drive	15	60.00
Binney St. both sides, Robie to Henry St.	20	80.00
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	213	\$ 852.00
Previous List d/22 Feb. 1951, with Agricola St. from Young to Hillside Ave. deleted	238	952.00
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	451	\$ 1804.00

Trusting that the above meets with your approval, I am

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) George J. Power,
Superintendent.

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

REFUND TO THE EASTERN TRUST COMPANY

March 9th, 1951.

REFUND EASTERN TRUST COMPANY
BELLEVUE AVENUE SEWER

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on
February 6th, the attached report from the Commissioner of
Works recommending refund of \$1,000.00 with interest, being
the balance of amount deposited by the Eastern Trust Company
as a guarantee that the Company would undertake the construction
of a number of houses, 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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March 3, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

In 1944 the Eastern Trust Company advanced an amount of \$4,000.00 as a guarantee that the Company would undertake the construction of a number of houses, provided the City would install sewer and water facilities on Bellevue Avenue.

Refunds amounting to \$3,000.00 have been made from time to time, and I would recommend that the balance of \$1,000.00 with interest be refunded to the Eastern Trust Company as the eight houses have been erected.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

LEASE TOURIST BUREAU SITE

March 3rd, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 27th 1951, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that the City continue to lease the land for the Tourist Bureau, at the corner of Spring Garden Road and Queen Street, at \$50.00 per month, on a month to month basis, 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.

February 26, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

A very good reply to my letter of February 13th, 1951, has been received from the Maritime Life Association Company in regard to continuing the lease by the City of the land for the Tourist Bureau, located at the corner of Spring Garden Road and Queen Street.

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The Company is agreeable to a rental of \$50.00 per month, on a month to month basis.

It is recommended that these terms be accepted and the City Solicitor's Department be instructed to prepare an agreement; also that the City express its thanks to the Company for the reduction in rental.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

SALE OF LAND BELLEVUE AND BEAUFORT AVENUES

March 9th, 1951.

Re: Land - corner Bellevue Avenue and
Beaufort Avenue

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on February 6th, the attached report from the City Assessor recommending that a joint offer of \$500.00 from Messrs. Betts and Cameron for the jib of land at the corner of Bellevue Avenue and Beaufort Avenue be accepted, 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.

March 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

I have received from Messrs. Betts and Cameron a joint offer of \$500.00 for the jib of land situate at the corner of Bellevue Ave. and Beaufort Ave. Your Committee, at its meeting on February 6th last, agreed to sell the same to these parties. The Commissioner of Works has decided to retain a larger portion for street purposes and it is on the balance that the offer is made.

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I would recommend that the offer be accepted.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

WATER EXTENSION CLAREMONT STREET

March 1st, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on
February 27th, 1951, the attached report from the Commissioner
of Works recommending approval of the Public Service Commission's
proposal to install a watermain on Claremont Street, between
Regent Road and Maxwell Avenue, 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.

February 21st, 1951.

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

Dear Sirs:-

The Public Service Commission purpose to install a Watermain
on Claremont Street between Regent Road and Maxwell Avenue,
as shown on the attached drawing D-345.

Last October a sewer was ordered for this section of Claremont
Street to be installed when one house is under construction.

The Public Service Commission propose to lay a watermain when
the sewer work is under construction.

It is therefore recommended that this watermain be ordered,
since funds have been provided for in the Public Service
Commission's 1951 Budget.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

March 15, 1951.

BAYERS ROAD WIDENING

March 13th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 12th, the attached report from the City Assessor recommending the purchase of approximately 9473 sq. ft. of land from Mr. S. Butler, at a price of \$2,851.90 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.

March 12, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:

I have had several discussions with Mr. S. Butler, the owner of the land required for the above purpose.

Mr. Butler is asking thirty cents (0.30) per square foot and there are 9,473 sq. ft. approximately, which would bring the price to \$2,841.90.

While the price is high I feel Mr. Butler could successfully maintain his claim in an expropriation action. Land is currently selling for this price in that area and poorer land has been independently appraised at this price.

Consequently in view of these factors, I would recommend Mr. Butler be paid the amount he is asking for this land.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

March 15, 1951.

SEWER EXTENSION DUDLEY AND WARREN STREETS

March 13th, 1951.

Re: Petitions for Sewer Extension
and Grading Dudley & Warren Sts.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 12th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending sewer construction and street grading on Dudley and Warren Streets, was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

March 12th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

A petition has been received from Mr. Geo. Brennan, who stated he represented nine property owners on Dudley Street and Warren Street, two streets west of the Barss Sub-division, requesting sewer facilities and street grading.

SEWER CONSTRUCTION

DUDLEY STREET - From Connolly Street to near Oxford Street -
Sewer Extension.

Estimated length	- 470 feet
Estimated cost	- \$4,100.00
Estimated Assessment	- \$1,125.00

WARREN STREET - From Dudley Street northwardly 210 feet.

Estimated length	- 245 feet
Estimated Cost	- \$1,725.00
Estimated Assessment	- \$1,050.00

It is recommended that these streets be ordered for sewer construction.

STREET GRADING
DUDLEY STREET

Length to be graded	- about 540 feet
Estimated Cost	- \$4,000.00
Estimated Assessment	- \$2,160.00

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WARREN STREET

Length to be graded - 330 feet
Estimated Cost - \$2,500.00
Estimated Assessment - \$1,320.00

It is recommended that when sewer, and I presume water, extension is made that the street be ordered to be graded and accepted as City streets.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

1951 PAVING PROGRAM

March 13th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 12th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

March 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Attached herewith is a list of streets proposed for our 1951 Paving Programme amounting to an estimated cost of \$530,592.65 and an estimated assessment of \$44,820.00.

Some of these streets have had the necessary underground work done in 1950 and some new streets have been added, streets that have been found costly to maintain by stoning and oiling, due to heavy traffic.

It is therefore recommended that these streets be ordered, the money requested through Capital Borrowing, and that tenders be called.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

SUMMARY OF WORK ORDERED AND PETITIONED FOR,
FOR 1951.

	<u>Estimated Cost</u>	<u>Assessment</u>
Sidewalks ordered constructed for 1951 - - - - -	\$ 104,630.00 - - - - -	\$ 45,477.50
Sidewalks petitioned for, for 1951 - - - - -	99,185.00 - - - - -	42,107.00
Curb and Gutter required on streets ordered for Stoning and Oiling for 1951 - - - - -	140,810.00 - - - - -	50,624.00
Total	\$ 344,625.00	\$ 138,208.50

SIDEWALK ESTIMATE - 1951 PROGRAM

SHEET #1

THE FOLLOWING STREETS HAVE BEEN PETITIONED FOR AND ORDERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AUG. 17th, 1950,
FOR THE 1951 SIDEWALK PROGRAM

		ESTIMATED COST	ESTIMATED ASSESSMENT
1. ARMVIEW TERRACE	- Both sides from Armview Avenue southwardly - - Curb and Gutter	\$ 1,840.	-
2. RICHMOND STREET	- South side from Albert Street to Veith Street- Complete	1,440.	630.00
3. ROBIE STREET	- West side from Almon Street to Kempt Road	1,800.	750.00
4. ALMON STREET	- Both sides from Connolly Street to Connaught Avenue	9,500.	4,400.00
5. ASHBURN AVENUE	- Both sides from Mumford Road northerly	7,300.	3,300.00
6. PROCTOR STREET	- Both sides from Upper Water Street to Brunswick Street	6,200.	1,720.00
7. BARRINGTON STREET	- West side from Hurd Street to Cornwallis Street Walk only	5,000.	2,150.00
8. BELLEVUE AVENUE	- West side from Regina Terrace to Inglis Street	4,200.	1,960.00
9. GOTTLINGEN STREET	- East side from Dartmouth Avenue to Kenney Street	2,000.	860.00
10. RECTOR STREET	- Both sides from Albert Street to Acadia Street	5,300.	3,010.00
11. LEAMAN STREET	- East side from Normandy Drive to Leeds Street	4,125.	1,925.00
12. HIGHLAND AVENUE	- East side from Normandy Drive to Leeds Street	4,125.	945.00
13. LEEDS STREET	- South side from Merson Avenue to Highland Avenue	2,025.	945.00
14. NORMANDY DRIVE	- South side from Highland Avenue to Robie Street	6,000.	2,800.00
15. NORMANDY DRIVE	- South side from Highland Avenue to Gottlingen Street	5,300.	1,400.00
16. THIRD STREET	- Both sides from Armcrescent East to Newton Avenue	6,075.	2,835.00
		\$ 72,230.00	\$ 30,580.00

The total cost of the above mentioned streets is estimated at \$72,230.00 and the estimated assessment is \$ 30,580.00

CARRIED FORWARD TOTAL ESTIMATED COST \$72,230.00
 ESTIMATED ASSESSMENT 30,580.00

SHEET #2.

THE FOLLOWING ARE STREETS FOR WHICH PETITIONS HAVE NOT BEEN RECEIVED, BUT HAVE BEEN ORDERED ON AUGUST 17th, 1950 TO BE DONE DUE TO THEIR PROXIMITY TO THE ABOVE MENTIONED STREETS.

		ESTIMATED COST	ESTIMATED ASSESSMENT
17. RECTOR STREET	- Both sides from Acadia Street to Göttingen Street	\$ 6,000.	\$ 2,800.00
18. Highland Avenue	- East side Hillside Avenue to Normandy Drive	2,000.	2,800.00
19. Highland Avenue	- West side from 100' north of Woodbine Avenue to Leeds Street Curb and Gutter only.	1,625.	875.00
20. Mumford Road	- West Side Curb and Gutter only from Chebucto Rd. to Leppert St.	750.	405.00
21. Bellevue Avenue	- Both Sides, from Roxton Road to Inglis Street	9,375.	2,187.50
22. Roxton Road	- Both Sides from Bellevue Avenue to Robie St.	9,500.	4,480.00
23. Göttingen Street	- East Side, from Kenney Street to Duffus Street	<u>3,150.</u>	<u>1,350.00</u>
		\$ 32,400.	\$ 14,897.50

The Total cost of the above mentioned streets is estimated at \$32,400.00 and the estimated assessment at \$14,897.50.

For all the above mentioned streets the total estimated cost is \$104,630.00 and the estimated assessment is \$45,477.50.

NOTE: THE ABOVE MENTIONED STREETS HAVE ALL BEEN PASSED BY CITY COUNCIL ON AUGUST 17th, 1950. THEY WILL BE TAKEN BACK TO COUNCIL FOR THE NECESSARY SIDEWALK CAPITAL.

STREETS PETITIONED FOR -- FOR 1951 SIDEWALK PROGRAM.

STREET	SIDE	FROM	TO	ESTIMATED COST	ASSESSMENT
BERLIN ST.	South	Connaught Ave.	Swaine St.	\$ 900.00	595.00
CHEBUCHO RD.	North	Mumford Rd.	Stimpson's Lane	5500.00	2750.00
CONNAUGHT AVE.	West	Regent Rd.	9601 Northwardly	7200.00	3360.00
COOK AVENUE	Both	Heinisch Ave.	Easterly	2170.00	835.00
DUBLIN STREET	Both	Young St.	Bayers Rd.	3400.00	1400.00
FENNICK ST.	North	Queen St.	Universal Sales	4675.00	1925.00
HEINISCH AVE.	Both	Cook Ave.	Vaughan Ave.	3750.00	1445.00
KAYE ST.	North	Isleville St.	Agricola St.	3400.00	1400.00
MAY ST.	North	Robie St.	Agricola St.	2300.00	875.00
MONASTERY LANE	West	Allan St.	Quinpool Rd.	6300.00	2625.00
MUMFORD RD.	North	St. Agnes School	Dutch Village Road	2500.00	10500.00
MUMFORD RD.	East	Wm. Hunt Ave.	St. Agnes School	1750.00	1015.00
NORTH ST.	North	Robie St.	Clifton St.	2200.00	860.00
QUEEN ST.	West	Fennick St.	Victoria Rd.	4250.00	1750.00
ROMANS AVE.	Both	Bayers Rd.	Southwardly	4860.00	1875.00
VAUGHAN AVE.	Both	Heinisch Ave.	Eastwardly	3960.00	1525.00
WARD AVE.	Both	Romans Ave.	Heinisch Ave.	1320.00	507.00
WM. HUNT AVE.	West	Mumford Rd.	Chebucto Rd.	4850.00	1935.00
YOUNG ST.	Both	Conolly Rd.	Connaught Ave.	9500.00	4400.00
RECTOR ST.	Both	Cottlengen St.	Loaman St.	1400.00	530.00
				<u>\$ 99185.00</u>	<u>\$42107.00</u>

TOTALS

SIDEWALK ESTIMATE - 1951 PROGRAM

THE FOLLOWING ARE STREETS WHICH ARE ON THE SPONING AND OILING PROGRAMS FOR 1951 AND SHOULD HAVE
CURB AND GUTTER CONSTRUCTED ON THEM

	ESTIMATED COST	ESTIMATE ASSESSMENT
AGADIA STREET	\$ 4,790.00	\$ 2,050.00
ALBERT STREET	9,800.00	3,800.00
BARRINGTON STREET	3,850.00	1,595.00
CHESTER AVENUE	4,200.00	1,740.00
GLOVEDALE ROAD	3,850.00	1,595.00
CONNAUGHT AVENUE	9,100.00	-
	(Boulevard	
	(C & G both sides	
EDENWOOD AVENUE	8,950.00	3,779.00
GLEBE STREET	9,800.00	3,060.00
GLOVEDALE ROAD	12,600.00	5,220.00
HUBON STREET	3,850.00	1,595.00
LYNCH STREET	2,800.00	1,160.00
MICMAC STREET	3,500.00	1,450.00
REGENT ROAD	10,200.00	4,800.00
RICHMOND ST.	4,200.00	1,740.00
ROBIE STREET	2,100.00	810.00
	6,300.00	No assessment
ROSLYN ROAD	9,450.00	4,410.00
SAINTE PAUL'S STREET	9,800.00	3,060.00
VESTRY STREET	4,550.00	1,885.00
VEITH STREET	9,100.00	3,770.00
	8,050.00	3,105.00
	<u>\$ 140,810.00</u>	<u>\$ 50,624.00</u>

PROPOSED PERMANENT PAVING 1951

Appendix "A"

STREET	FROM	TO	ESTIMATED COST	ESTIMATED ASSESSMENT	LENGTH
Allan Street	Windsor Street	Oxford Street	\$ 25,585.40	\$ 4,200.00	2100 Feet
Almon Street	Gottingen Street	Agricola Street	27,602.40	1,700.00	"
Annandale Street	Dresden Row	Briar Lane	5,179.20	540.00	"
Artillery Place	Birmingham Street	Dresden Row	4,150.80	320.00	"
Bayers Road	Windsor Street	Oxford Street	45,448.00	2,000.00	"
Chebucto Lane	Allan Street	Chebucto Road	5,000.00	1,100.00	"
Compton Avenue	Robie Street	Windsor Street	4,000.00	1,260.00	"
Doyle Street	Brunswick Street	Queen Street	6,324.00	600.00	"
Ferwick Street	Queen Street	South Park Street	8,626.80	2,060.00	"
George Street	Granville Street	Hollis Street	7,029.60	—	"
Gerrish Street	Barrington Street	Gottingen Street	14,455.20	—	"
Gladstone Street	Charles Street	North Street	8,823.60	400.00	"
Harris Street	Maynard Street	Agricola Street	2,306.69	700.00	"
Kaye Street	Barrington Street	Gottingen Street	26,911.20	2,200.00	"
Kline Street	Quinpool Road	Chebucto Road	21,780.00	3,200.00	"
Livingstone Street	Robie Street	Kempt Road	11,384.40	840.00	"
North Street	Water Street	Gottingen Street	17,000.40	5, —	"
Peppercoll Street	Robie Street	Oxford Street	29,791.60	5,400.00	"
Prince Arthur Street	Quinpool Road	Armview Avenue	8,572.80	1,300.00	"
Prince William Street	Maitland Street	Gottingen Street	1,417.20	400.00	"
Queen Street	Victoria Road	South Street	16,344.00	1,900.00	"
Sackville Street	Barrington Street	R. A. Park Entrance	9,642.60	—	"

STREET	FROM	TO	ESTIMATED COST	ESTIMATED ASSESSMENT	LENGTH
Sullivan Street	Gottingen Street	Robie Street	\$18,068.40	\$ 2,700.00	1350 Feet
University Avenue (N)	Edward Street	Seymour Street	19,658.40	1,000.00	500 "
University Avenue (S)	Robie Street	Seymour Street	6,852.00	1,600.00	800 "
Victoria Road	Inglis Street	Tower Road	21,701.76	4,800.00	2400 "
Windsor Street	Quinpool Road	Almon Street	31,280.00	--	3900 "
Windsor Street	Duffus Street	Kempt Road	98,539.00	2,000.00	2250 "
Young Street	Barrington Street	Gottingen Street	27,117.00	2,600.00	1300 "
	Total		\$ 530,592.65	\$ 44,820.00	

March 15, 1951.

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

Alderman Fox: "Is Hunter Street to be paved?"

Mr. Harris: "No. Stoning and oiling."

Alderman MacMillan: "In connection with Bayers Road widening and the sidewalk program. Bayers and Mumford Roads are becoming speedways in the City. Several of the residents of those streets have called me about the speeding. They are fearful for the safety of the Children going to school. Can there be a permanent sidewalk laid on one side of the road so that the children would have a place to walk on in safety. Stop and slow signs have no effect on the speeding."

Mr. Harris: "We will build up an ash sidewalk this coming summer on Bayers Road."

Alderman Hatfield: "Mumford Road has St. Agnes school. Hemlock Street area has become built up very fast. There are two 20 room schools in the area."

Mr. Harris: "Mumford Road is down for concrete sidewalk to Dutch Village Road."

The motion was then put and passed.

1951 SIDEWALK PROGRAM

March 13, 1951.

Concrete Sidewalk, Curb and Gutter
1951 Programme

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 12th the attached report from the Commissioner of Works was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

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

March 15, 1951.

March 5th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Attached herewith is a list of fifteen streets where concrete sidewalks and/or Curb and Gutter have been requested by petition. The total estimated cost for these streets is approximately \$99,185 and an estimated assessment of approximately \$42,107.

Also attached is a list of nineteen streets where it is suggested that Curb and Gutter be ordered, so that drainage may be better controlled, since it is proposed to surface these streets through our stoning and oiling programme. Estimated cost is \$140,000.00 and estimated assessment \$50,624.00.

It is therefore recommended that these streets be ordered at this time so that an amount may be made to include in our 1951 Capital Borrowings and further, that tenders be called to do this work.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman

Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION OF LAND RAINNIE DRIVE

March 13th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on March 12th 1951, the attached Plan No. PP-5-11369 AA, showing Subdivision of Property of the City of Halifax, Rainnie Drive, 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 and By-Law be approved. Motion passed.

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ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
March 9, 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 for payment an account of C. S. Barkhouse amounting to \$396.20.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

An account was submitted from Gordon M. Graham for the sum of \$412.45 covering legal services rendered in connection with the Prefabricated Houses.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the account be approved for payment.

Alderman Fox: "Last year a committee was appointed consisting of the Mayor and 5 Aldermen to look into the prefab situation. It was agreed again in July that the same committee be appointed to administer, sell and manage prefab houses. We had many Committee meetings. They weren't all the most pleasant to sit and listen in on.

The final meeting was in January. At that time the Committee decided that the administrator, stenographer and the inspector would be laid off and they were likewise to be given one month's notice with pay and that was done. There has not been a meeting of that Committee since but everything seems to be functioning. One man John Walker was placed back on the payroll on January 22, 1951 after he had been given a month's pay plus a month's car allowance. It never came before the Committee. It never came before the Council. I would ask that at the next

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regular meeting of Council that the payroll, pay cheque, vouchers and the authority for placing this man back on the payroll be presented to Council. I asked at the last Council meeting why this Committee was ignored."

His Worship the Mayor: "Has not this Committee passed out of existence?"

Alderman Fox: "They are in until May 1, 1951."

His Worship the Mayor: "Alright."

Alderman Duffy: "Can this bill be left over till then?"

City Assessor: "This is a legal bill."

His Worship the Mayor: "You don't want to hold up that bill. We will get at the facts of it. I understand the Housing Accommodation Committee administer the prefabs."

City Assessor: "No. All we are doing is completing the agreements."

The motion was then put and passed.

REPAIRS PROTESTANT ORPHANAGE WADING POOL

Halifax, N. S.,
March 13, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Recreation Committee held on the above date the matter of effecting certain concrete repairs to the Protestant Orphanage Wading Pool was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the repairs be carried out and that the Canada Gunitite Co., Ltd. be authorized to proceed at a price of \$326.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Duffy, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT FORUM COMMISSION

Copies of the Financial Statement of the Forum Commission for the year ended December 31, 1950 were furnished the members of the Council.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that this matter be deferred till the next regular meeting of the City Council. Motion passed.

GARAGE # 120 ALLEN STREET

Alderman Macdonald: "Regarding #120 Allen Street. I understand at the February meeting of Council there were instructions issued to the Building Inspector to have this building removed. I was just wondering if he has carried out his instructions regarding that order?"

Mr. Day: "I carried out the order of the Council until His Worship the Mayor stopped the proceedings. He asked me to stop."

Alderman Macdonald: "Why were proceedings stopped on this action against that property?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Because I had a delegation from both sides and it was getting into a legal tangle and I deferred it till the Solicitor returned to take the matter on."

Alderman Macdonald: "This order has been issued about 3 times to my knowledge. Everytime there seems to be a nigger in the wood pile and it pops back. I have had a lot of calls from the residents wondering why some action has not been taken."

His Worship the Mayor: "I had the Solicitor from the citizens in and we discussed the matter. The Building Inspector had the idea that he could fix it up into a 3 car garage. The matter of trucks on the street was not considered at all. Nothing is being done until Mr. Bethune gets back and irons out the difficulty with Mr. Amiro."

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Alderman Macdonald: "I don't know what the difficulty can be. I understood at the last meeting that the Building Inspector was instructed to have it removed. Whether it has been removed or reduced in size I don't know. Something should be done about it. I can't see why there should be any further legal entanglements."

His Worship the Mayor: "One party comes in and shows you a petition in 1946 where everything was agreeable to carry on. Then they say the Building Inspector thinks that building might be fixed to the satisfaction of the residents for a 3 car garage."

Alderman Macdonald: "If it is his prerogative to have it changed to a 3 car garage, I would presume he would proceed to do that."

His Worship the Mayor: "I thought we would iron it out rather than take drastic action."

Alderman Macdonald: "The citizens in that neighborhood are losing their patience. That garage is illegally built."

Alderman Abbott: "The Building Inspector said he was going to issue a permit to have this garage changed to a 3 car private garage. Did the people apply for it?"

Mr. Day: "Before they decided to change the zoning I issued a permit for a 3 car garage. When the permit expired I told them it had been cancelled. At that time they applied for a change of zoning. When that was defeated I took proceedings to have this garage demolished. Mr. K. Smith called me and asked if they could get another permit for a 3 car garage. I said 'yes but to my specifications' that they would have to cut down the garage to a 3 car one. At that stage of the game they went to the Mayor."

Alderman Abbott: "What size are the petitions inside?"

Mr. Day: "I allowed them the same width. I cut the length down to 22 feet; the sidewalls to 8 feet. That is ample for a 3 car private garage. I believe that is why they did not like it."

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Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Building Inspector be issued instructions to carry out the necessary action which was ordered by Council in connection with this garage by April 1, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor: "I was pleased with the attitude of their Solicitor when Mr. Amiro discussed it with me and I think it can be ironed out. The matter of the vans on the street is a traffic problem and the Chief of Police will have to deal with it. Every person whether they are right or wrong will have a chance to present their case and that was what I did."

Alderman Macdonald: "I think the matter can be left in the hands of the Building Inspector to carry out the necessary action whether it will be a 3 car private garage or whether it will be demolished. It was not only ordered to be demolished by Council, but by the Supreme Court."

Alderman Abbott: "The Council did order last month to demolish it. I think you must rescind your first motion."

Mr. Rooney stated that he could not give a proper opinion until he saw the first motion of February 15, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor: "I would not in any way obstruct the orders of Council to the Building Inspector."

Alderman Macdonald: "I don't know of any petitions in favor of it but there are petitions against it. The residents are desirous of having it removed."

Alderman Fox: "This garage was built and after the new legislation went through, they made a test case of it and now they have to tear it down?"

Alderman Abbott: "It was built without a permit. That is how it got there. I sat in on the Committee on Works and it came up at least a half dozen times and instructions were given to have it demolished. It went to the courts to have it demolished. If we want the Building Inspector to change it to a 3 car private garage then we will have to rescind our previous motion."

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Alderman DeWolf: "If he cuts it down in size for passenger vehicles I can't see anything against it."

Alderman Macdonald: "I am leaving that matter to the Building Inspector. If it can be cut down to a normal 3 car private garage, I think that will be satisfactory to the residents and also myself. The last minutes said 'to take action against the building.'"

Alderman Vaughan: "Isn't the objective of Alderman Macdonald's that by passing this motion this trucking firm will not operate at that location?"

Alderman Macdonald: "I don't think we can prohibit it from operating there. They are carrying on."

Alderman Duffy: "If we cut it down to a 3 car garage they can still use it for a store room. They could still do their trucking business."

Mr. Rooney: "We want to know what the last motion of Council was. If it was to demolish then you must rescind."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that this matter be deferred for one month for a report.

The amendment was put and lost 4 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Breen
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Hatfield
MacMillan

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
DeWolf
Fox
Hatfield
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Duffy
Vaughan

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HONORARIUMS SCHOOL BOARD COMMISSIONERS

Alderman Fox: "There was legislation which was turned down in this Council which was to increase the honorariums to the School Commissioners. Are they getting that raise on the passage of the Council turning it down? I understand the money was in the estimates. Are they getting that money?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I can't answer that unless the Commissioner of Finance can say how much he can pay out."

Mr. Bellew: "That is a matter for the School Board. The cheques are given out by the School Board."

Alderman Fox: "I will leave it with the Commissioner of Finance to clear it from the School Board."

Mr. Bellew stated he would bring in a report on the matter at the next regular meeting of Council.

SIDEWALK DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD

Alderman Hatfield: "With reference to the Dutch Village Road. If it were contained within the City of Halifax, one side should be sidewalked. I want to bring the item up tonight so it can be handled in due course. Some consideration should be given to sidewalk on that main artery."

The matter was referred to the Commissioner of Works.

STREET LIGHTING DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD

Alderman Hatfield: "The street lighting along there. That has been put in there and the City of Halifax has not been paid for it."

City Electrician: "The County never paid anything for it. The poles are on the County side and erected at the cost to the City."

The City Electrician was requested to consult the County Authorities on this matter and report.

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SMOKE NUISANCE C. N. R.

Alderman DeWolf read a letter from a South End resident respecting the smoke nuisance along the railway cut.

He requested the City Clerk to write a letter to the C. N. R. to ascertain just what is contemplated.

JOINT EXPENDITURES

Alderman Hatfield: "Regarding the Joint Expenditures and the Court House; the City pays 81% and the County 19%. Could we not start now so we might be ready for next year. We should determine whether we are paying our share or too much. A committee might be appointed to study this matter and by this time next year we might be able to do something about it."

His Worship the Mayor: "I agree with what you say. The Committee we have has not functioned very well. I will set up a strong committee next year if it is my prerogative."

SMOKE NUISANCE FORUM

Alderman Duffy: "Is anything being put into the estimates of the Forum to eliminate the smoke nuisance?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I get calls and it is very bad."

Alderman DeWolf: "The Capital Items have not come in for the Forum as yet but one item is the installation of a new boiler. I agree with Alderman Duffy. My hope is that the Commission will decide to put in oil rather than coal. That will overcome it."

Alderman Vaughan: "Could he assure us that perhaps the firing of that furnace might be investigated?"

His Worship the Mayor: "It is the furnace in the Industrial Building where the Cooking School is."

Alderman Duffy: "No. It is the Forum. I think if the men were a little more careful in stoking the furnace it would eliminate a lot of the smoke nuisance."

Alderman DeWolf: "If we change to oil I am sure that will be eliminated."

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Alderman Fox: "They need about 30 or 40 feet put on the chimney."

Alderman MacMillan: "The building on the corner seems to be the worst one of the bunch. I think Alderman Duffy has the right idea that the man who is stoking the furnace doesn't know how to do it."

Alderman Vaughan: "What about immediate relief."

Alderman DeWolf: "One more month and that furnace will be non-existent. I will take up the matter of the firing it with the Commission."

CITY HOME REPORT

Alderman Macdonald: "The report on the City Home was received and it was suggested that a date be set for the Council to meet and consider it. I wonder if you (Your Worship) could set a date for that?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I will give you a special meeting on that."

LETTER HALIFAX NORTH CIVIC IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION
RE: SALE OF LAND

118 Dublin Street,
Halifax, N. S.,
Feb. 22nd -51.

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

Dear Sir:-

I have been requested by the above Association to send you the following resolution duly passed at a regular meeting.

"that the Secretary write the City Clerk and ask that the following resolution shall be brought before City Council for discussion and approval.:

"In future when city owned land or property is being offered for sale that a full description of the area, its location etc. shall be stated in the advertisement, and before the acceptance of any tender has been agreed upon, that a period of ten days will be allowed for the submission of tenders by any potential purchaser, and further, the advertisement of such land or property for sale shall be run in more than one issue of our newspapers."

Yours truly,
D. L. Hanneberry,
Secretary.

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City Assessor: "We don't give full descriptions of the property because that might entail a long advertisement. The orders are called for to be received not later than noon the day before the Finance and Executive Committee meets. They are opened at the Finance & Executive Committee meeting. It is going to cost a lot for these legal descriptions. They can refer to our office and see the plans. Descriptions are not prepared until after the properties have been sold. I don't see the need of it when we give them the location and frontage. The matter of the 10 days would not make any difference because they are seated and then taken to the Finance and Executive Committee where they are opened."

Alderman DeWolfe: "If you put in the legal description it would be far more confusing than the way it is presently advertised. Anyone that is interested can surely come to City Hall to find out about it. It would be money thrown away and more confusing."

It was agreed that the letter be acknowledged.

TAX RATE 1951

February 28, 1951.

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

Dear Sir:

In reply to your letter of February 27th, I have to advise you that in pursuance of Section 409 of the City Charter, I have, in accordance with the undernoted calculations, fixed the rate of taxation on business assessments and on business realty for the civic year 1951 at \$8.10 per one hundred dollars assessments.

Residential realty and household assessments total \$45,666,980.00 which at \$3.50 per hundred (rate fixed by Sub-section 1 of Section 409 of the City Charter) produces -----\$ 1,598,344.30

Business realty and business assessments total \$43,169,915.00 which at \$8.10 per hundred produces \$ 3,496,763.11

\$ 5,095,107.41

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APPROVAL OF BORROWING \$10,000 SLAUGHTER HOUSE

Halifax, March 7, 1951.

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

Dear Sir: Re: Borrowing \$10,000 for Slaughter House

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

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley,
Deputy Minister.

FILED

APPROVAL BORROWING \$103,147.54 RETIRING DEBENTURES

Halifax, March 7, 1951.

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

Dear Sir: Re: Borrowing \$103,147.54 for the purpose of retiring debentures

I enclose for your records 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

APPROVAL REZONING PORTION CITADEL HILL

Halifax, March 5, 1951.

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

Dear Mr. Publicover: Re: Zoning By-Law Re Citadel Hill

I enclose for your records copy of the above by-law on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley,
Deputy Minister.

FILED

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APPROVAL REPLOTING LOTS - GEO. E. ZINCK - BAYERS ROAD

Halifax, March 3, 1951.

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

Dear Sir: Re: Town Planning By-Law -
re subdivision George E. Zinck property
on Bayers Road and Young Street in the
City of Halifax.

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

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley,
Deputy Minister.

FILED

APPROVAL REZONING WEST SIDE BRENTON ST. BETWEEN MORRIS ST.
AND BRENTON PLACE

Halifax, March 3, 1951.

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

Dear Mr. Publicover: Re: Zoning By-Law re Portion of West
side of Brenton Street between
Morris Street and Brenton Place

I enclose for your records copy of the above zoning
by-law on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal
Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley,
Deputy Minister.

FILED

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman
Hatfield that this meeting do now adjourn, until Saturday,

March 17, 1951 at 4:00 P. M. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 9:15 P. M.

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

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

AFTERNOON SESSION
ADJOURNED MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
March 17, 1951,
4:30 P. M.

Council reconvened at 4:30 P. M.

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman;
Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Fox,
Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

CASUAL VACANCY WARD # 2

His Worship the Mayor stated that due to the passing
of Alderman Hosterman Council would have to declare the seat
vacant and set a date for the election to fill same.

Alderman Breen before doing that Your Worship I would
move that a letter of condolence be forwarded to the family of
the late Alderman Hosterman.

The motion was seconded by Alderman Duffy and passed
unanimously.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Fox
that the seat formerly held by Alderman Hosterman be declared
vacant and that Council fix April 25, 1951 as the date for the
election to fill the vacancy. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION

The City Solicitor stated that there were three matters
pertaining to legislation that had arisen and required the action
of the Council. (1) School Board vs Adams (2) Honorariums School
Commissioners and (3) Welfare Relief.

SCHOOL BOARD Vs. ADAMS

Alderman Abbott reviewed the events leading up to the
court case. He stated he could not understand the attitude of
the Board to settle for \$5500.00.

"I am in favor of having a new trial and if the Court
decides to pay then that is O'K. We should not offer to make a

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settlement of \$5500.00. The Court may say pay \$10,000.00 and they may say you are not responsible."

Alderman Moriarty: "I took the attitude that we had a fair trial and the jury decided against us. The court ordered a new trial. The cost of the new trial and sending Mr. Bethune to Ottawa to represent the Board would be costly. It would be to the advantage of the City to settle this case at 55 cents on the dollar. Who are we fighting? We are fighting a poor man whose son lost an eye. It was proven from the evidence that the responsibility was with us. It would save the City grief and money in settling this case out of court."

Aldermen Hatfield: "Is a precedent established that we are responsible for such things?"

City Solicitor: "The decision of the jury is wiped out by the full bench. The responsibility of the School Board is the same as a parent over his own child. It must set up proper safeguards. It was shown by the evidence that there was a casual stone thrown by a casual boy. I don't think anything in this case changes the law respecting responsibility. The decision of the Board was set aside."

Moved by Alderman Moriarty that we approve of the request of the School Board to secure legislation to enable the Board, with the approval of the Council, to make a settlement of the action Adams vs Board of School Commissioners in the amount of \$5500.00.

Alderman Fox: "If a settlement were made would that establish a precedent?"

City Solicitor: "No but it does this, that somebody else in the same position might come up with another claim. When you get away from the law you are out of the sea of sympathy."

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

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Adams
Macdonald
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Fox

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HONORARIUMS SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

Alderman Hatfield: "There was no explanation given that there was an increase from two to four hundred dollars when the estimates were passed. There is legislative authority to pay \$200.00 and as elected representatives, it is our say if it can be raised to \$400.00. What is the point in the City Council having anything to do with it if it is with the Board?"

Alderman Vaughan: "Does the School Board have the authority to approach the Legislature to seek legislation?"

City Solicitor: "Yes. Some members of the Board felt it should be conferenced with the City first. The Council provides the funds for the School Board."

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that if the School Board wants to go down to the Legislature, they can, but they will be going against the will of the Council.

Alderman DeWolf: "Assurance was almost given that the full amount would be recognized. That is my feeling about it. The honorarium was a little high in comparison with the honorarium paid to the Council. The School Board is a selected body. They don't have to run elections. At the same time I think there was a moral obligation to agree to the \$400.00 this year. I thought it was more or less automatic."

Moved by Alderman DeWolf that the full amount be paid this year and the necessary legislation obtained.

Alderman Breen: "Can we make it for this year only?"

City Solicitor: "Yes."

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Alderman Fox: "I can't see how this Council can go on record guaranteeing what a Council will do next year."

His Worship the Mayor: "We more or less agreed that it would be in full this year. There is nobody going to the house outside of the Solicitor."

Moved by Alderman Hatfield that nothing be placed in the estimates affecting the City unless approval is given in advance by the City Council.

Alderman Fox: "Can this be brought up again after the Council voted against it?"

City Solicitor: "You have parts of it without authorization."

His Worship the Mayor: "You put it in the estimates with the intention of passing the legislation. The estimates were finalized when the Solicitor was sick. We got the wrong opinion on it."

Alderman Hatfield: "I want to prevent such things happening in the future unless it is in agreement with the Charter."

Alderman Breen: "Does the legislation as it is being prepared establish \$400.00 for all time?"

City Solicitor: "No. I have not prepared any new legislation at all. Ratify what you have done."

Alderman Fox: "Suppose something is in the estimates it is not necessary that you have to spend it. Almost every Alderman here, unless he scrutinizes everything he votes for it. Had the Council known it was in the estimates, it would have been a different story."

Alderman Macdonald: "I do recall the discussion on last year's estimates. I think it might have been suggested that it be given further consideration, but I don't think that it was to be raised this year."

Alderman Fox's motion was then read and it was ruled out of order.

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It was then moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that Council does not concur in the request of the School Board.

The Solicitor stated that Alderman Fox's resolution was premature.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the matter be reconsidered.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
DeWolf
Duffy
Hatfield
Moriarty
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Adams
Breen
Fox
Macdonald
MacMillan

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A two-thirds vote being required.

WELFARE RELIEF

The City Solicitor suggested that the City request the Private and Local Bills Committee to delete the clause this year until a conference is held between the City and the Town of Dartmouth.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the City Solicitor be authorized to carry out his suggestion. Motion passed.

HEARING ON CITY'S BILL

Read letter from the City Solicitor advising that the Private and Local Bills Committee would like to have the Mayor and the members of the Finance and Executive Committee appear at the House, Tuesday, March 20th at 10 A. M.

His Worship the Mayor wanted to know what the Finance and Executive Committee were needed at the House for.

The City Solicitor stated it was in connection with Bill

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Alderman Vaughan: "Has the City Solicitor the right to withdraw a bill?"

City Solicitor: "I doubt if the Solicitor has the legal right to withdraw a bill but there are times when we get further along the road. On Monday I expect to get a letter from the Committee that a public hearing will be held on the City Manager."

His Worship the Mayor: "If they want a committee to go down the request should come to the Clerk. I want a copy of their letter. Let us be courteous one Government to the other."

BANK RESOLUTION re PREFAB ACCOUNT

Read report from the Commissioner of Finance as follows:

March 17, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At the City Council meeting in June 1950, a Borrowing Resolution for one million dollars (\$1,000,000.00) was approved for the purchase of the prefabricated houses. A copy of this resolution was forwarded to the Canadian Bank of Commerce to enable the City to borrow such sums as were required within the authority of the resolution.

However, this was only for an eight month period and I would now recommend that a new resolution be drafted and approved for six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000.00) for a period of one year.

This borrowing has received the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and comes within the authority of Section 318 B of the City Charter.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

Alderman DeWolf: "Why not leave it at \$1,000,000.00. We have legislation before the House dealing with foundations. I assume there will be 5 or 600 foundations."

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen that the amount be left at \$1,000,000.00 and the resolution approved. Motion passed.

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF FEBRUARY

Civic Reserves Year	O/S Bal. Jan. 31/51.	New Accounts and Adjustments.	February Collect-ions.	O/S Balances Feb. 28/51	
1947	\$ 11,714.39	\$ 11,507.97	\$ 203.45	\$ 11,304.52	
1948	58,588.01	62,473.52 Dr.	27.52	4,712.94	57,788.10
1949	70,571.53	157,635.50		12,045.25	145,590.25
1950	70,092.56	365,403.61 Dr.	329.22	31,589.69	334,143.14
	\$597,020.60	\$Dr. 356.74	\$ 48,551.33	\$548,826.01	

Poll Taxes

1943-44	22,547.53		9.00	22,538.53
1944-45	3,217.30		61.92	3,155.38
1950.	615.21 Dr.	47.00	1,469.30 Cr.	807.09

Additional Collections:

	<u>1951</u>	<u>1950</u>
Arrears 1925-26 to 1946	271.20	
Corresponding Period Last Year		267.92
Collection as per statement above	48,551.33	
Corresponding Period Last Year		36,219.85
	<u>\$48,822.53</u>	<u>\$ 36,487.77</u>

Collection Poll Taxes Jan. 1 to Feb. 28/51	7,085.11
Corresponding Period Last Year	<u>7,826.58</u>

Respectfully submitted,

E. R. McDonald,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

March 17, 1951.

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

Meeting adjourned.

5:30 P. M.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
March 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 Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Redmond, Fox, Duffy, Hatfield and MacMillan.

The meeting was called specially to consider the 1951 Capital Budget.

The Commissioner of Finance submitted and read the following letter:

March 28, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:

I enclose herewith the Capital Budget for the year 1951 as it has been submitted to me by the various departments. It is classified as follows:

School Board	\$ 2,585,600.00
City General	2,979,600.00
Public Service Commission	1,200,000.00
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	\$ 6,765,200.00

I also submit herewith, for the information of the City Council, a statement showing a list of the active borrowing resolutions under which the City is now spending capital funds amounting to \$10,458,597.64. Of this amount \$1,650,007.31 has been funded and an amount of \$6,808,722.24 has been spent, the major portion of which will be funded in the near future, leaving a balance of authorization of \$3,649,875.30. This, together with the Capital Budget of 1951 amounts to \$10,415,075.30.

At the time the 1950 Capital Budget was considered last

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year, I recommended that only those capital items that were absolutely necessary should be considered. The same holds good this year but it is further complicated by the Federal Government's policy of discouraging borrowing and this applies to Municipalities as well as individuals, so the problem this year is not only to find new revenue to meet our rising capital costs but the problem of borrowing the funds to put us in ready cash to pay our obligations.

While this budget in itself does not commit the City to an obligation of spending, the obligation does take form when a borrowing resolution is passed by City Council and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs. It is then that the project applied for gets under way and must be paid for. I can only repeat that the City should keep its capital expenditures at an absolute minimum.

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

8:05 P. M. Alderman Vaughan arrives.

Alderman Fox: "What effect will this have on the 1952 tax rate if it goes through?"

Mr. Bellew: "About \$1.00 if everything is spent."

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the Budget be considered item by item. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that Council adjourn and meet as a Committee of the Whole Council. Motion passed.

8:10 P. M. Council adjourned.

10:25 P. M. Council reconvened the following members being present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Redmond, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

CAPITAL BUDGET 1951

Halifax, N. S.,
March 28, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

A committee of the Whole Council at a meeting held on the above date considered the Capital Budget for the year 1951 as submitted by the Commissioner of Finance.

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It was agreed to recommend that the Budget totalling the sum of \$6,197,200.00 be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Duffy that this meeting be now adjourned. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

10:30 P. M.

Gordon S. Kinley
Gordon S. Kinley,
MAYOR AND CHIEFMAN.

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

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY,
APRIL 12, 1951

A G E N D A

Prayer
Minutes

Accounts.

- Report Fin. & Exec. Comm. re Accounts over \$200.00.
Account V. G. Hospital.
Tag Days.
Superannuation Refunds.
Tax Write-offs.
Statement Housing Commission.
Poll Tax Collections.
Taxes #166 Creighton St.
Payments Registrar of Deeds.
Closing Collector's Office Election Day.
Falkland Street Widening.
Capital Borrowings.
Brief Committee for Industrial Expansion.
Exchange of Land Agreement.
Rental Controls.
- Report Public Health & Welfare Comm. re Accounts over \$200.00.
Tenders for Uniforms (City Prison Staff).
Tenders for Groceries (Hospitals).
Purchase of Overbed Tables (T.B. Hospital).
Purchase of Sheetting (Hospitals).
Conventions.
- Report Safety Comm. re Accounts over \$200.00.
Tenders for Car City Electrician's Department.
Fire Department.
Motor Equipment Police Department.
Illuminating Engineers Conference.
- Report Committee on Works re Accounts over \$500.00.
Illuminated Signs.
Street Lighting.
Fire Protection Rate.
Sewer Extension Oxford St.
Removal of Rock Dutch Village Road.
McDonald Street Improvements.
Franklyn Street Extension.
Land Connaught Avenue.
Straightening Chebucto Road.
Purchase of Cars.
City Market.
Tenders for Paving.
Inspection.
Sidewalks Etc.
Working Agreement (Hix. Civic Workers Federal Union).
Local Union #27 Teamsters Etc.
- Report Town Planning Board re Exchange of Land Chandos Street.
Subdivision Cook Property Dalhousie St.
- Report Housing Accommodation Committee re Account over \$200.00.
- Accounts Recreation Committee.
Accounts Prefab Committee.
Questions.
Smoke Nuisance C. N. R.
Approval of Borrowings Etc.
Deferred Items:
(1) Financial Statement Halifax Forum Commission.
(2) Honorariums School Commissioners.
(3) Administration Prefabricated Houses.

EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 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, Macdonald, Redmond, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

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

The following named papers were submitted.

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS

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

RESOLVED that this Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Finance and Executive Committee amounting to \$17,487.57; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$2,485.68 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$32,778.13 chargeable to Fire Department; \$29,358.50 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health & Welfare amounting to \$56,257.53 chargeable to Health Department; \$23,623.07 chargeable to City Home; \$4,284.15 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$38,362.86; the Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$1,768.20 and the Housing Accommo-

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dation Committee amounting to \$7,413.73 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date approved and recommended for payment the following accounts:

The Ross Print Ltd.	\$ 303.21
Office Specialty Mfg. Co. Ltd.	372.00
Barber-Ellis Mtme. Ltd.	297.65
Allen Print Ltd.	266.76
The Book Room Ltd.	1,231.85

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT V. G. HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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 an account for hospitalization of Mrs. Mary Rogers was considered.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Commissioner of Finance.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 9th, 1951.

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

April 12, 1951.

Dear Sirs:

I am enclosing herewith a letter we have received from the Victoria General Hospital in which they have forwarded an application from the Army Benevolent Fund, asking us to accept the amount of \$175.00 as full settlement for the account of Mrs. Mary Rogers, whose total account amounts to \$394.00.

I contacted the Solicitor for the Army Benevolent Fund and understand from him that they made a thorough investigation of this account and feel that this is all they can afford to pay, in this particular case.

I would therefore recommend that we accept this amount as settlement and ask that you recommend to Council that the balance of this account be written off.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

TAG DAYS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that applications for permission to hold Tag Days be approved as follows:

Local Council of Women of Halifax	May 5
Kiwanis Club of Halifax	May 12
United and Free Missions	June 30
Canadian Girl Guide Association	

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SUPERANNUATION REFUNDS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 1951.

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

April 12, 1951.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that the following city employees have requested refunds of their contributions to the Superannuation Plan up to December 31, 1950.

Lawrence Kelly
Gerald Bishop
John Wrin

Your Committee recommends that the requests be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAX WRITE-OFFS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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 Commissioner of Finance recommending that uncollectible Tax Accounts amounting to \$1,479.86 be written off under the authority of Section 283 Subsection 2 of the City Charter.

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.

STATEMENT HALIFAX HOUSING COMMISSION

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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 it was agreed to forward the attached report from the Chairman of the Housing Commission to Council for its information and filing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

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April 7, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:

Attached is a comparative statement of operations of the
Housing Commission between the years 1949-1950.

At December 31st last, there were 10 properties still
under agreement and since that date three have been completed.
The balance of principal outstanding on the remaining is \$1,641.58.
However, interest and penalty interest makes the total payable
to be in the vicinity of \$7000.

During the year the Commission paid over to the City \$7900.
representing principal and interest on completed agreements. In
as much as the Commission has no accounts payable, whatever is
received on completion of agreements is paid to the City.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus,
CHAIRMAN.

FILED

POLL TAX COLLECTIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

A report from the City Collector on Poll Tax collections
for the quarter year ending March 31, 1951, was submitted to the
Finance & Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

POLL TAX COLLECTIONS FOR CIVIC QUARTER YEAR ENDING MARCH 31st, 1951.

	<u>CURRENT</u>	<u>ARREARS</u>	<u>PENALTY & INT.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
		\$9,972.49	\$1,688.56	\$11,661.05
		<u>Pen. & Int. 1950</u>	<u>1951</u>	<u>Pen. & Int. 1951</u>
Jan.	\$4159.09	\$ 608.37	\$4179.17	\$684.78
Feb.	3667.50	628.11	2907.93	433.64
Mar.	3235.06	644.41	2885.39	570.14
	\$11061.65	\$1880.89	\$9972.49	\$1688.56

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TOTAL COLLECTIONS	1950	\$12,942.54
"	"	1951
		<u>11,661.05</u>
DECREASE		\$ 1,281.49

COLLECTED BY STREET COLLECTORS

Mr. Rockwell	\$ 2,045.00		
Mr. Oxley	2,339.00		
Mr. Frawley	962.00		
Mr. Durrant	442.00		
Mr. Yates	215.00	Part Time	
Mr. Barrett	167.00	"	"
Mr. Foley	25.00	"	"
Mr. McDonald	84.00	"	"
Mr. Phillips	109.00	"	"
Mr. Poirier	102.00	"	"
Mr. Fraser	79.99	"	"
Mr. Tynan	23.00	"	"

	\$ 6,592.00
PAID AT OFFICE	<u>5,069.05</u>
TOTAL	\$11,661.05

FILED

TAXES #166 CREIGHTON STREET

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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 the attached report from the City Assessor respecting a request from the Nova Scotia Association for the Advancement of Colored People for exemption from taxation on a property at #166 Creighton Street was considered.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be obtained to exempt this property from taxation as long as it is being used for the purposes of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 2, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Re: 166 Creighton Street

At your March meeting a letter was read, and referred to me for report, from R. S. Symonds, Trustee of the N. S. Association for the Advancement of Colored People, requesting exemption from

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taxation the above property.

The Association acquired the property in November 1949. At that time there were outstanding taxes, most of which have since been paid. At the present time the amount of taxes owing is \$20.80 exclusive of 1951. The amount of taxes for 1951 is \$8.75. There is also a paving charge on which there is a balance of \$15.00, plus interest. This paving was done in 1949 and even if the property were exempted from taxation would have to be paid by the Association.

Council could, if it saw fit to do so, obtain legislation to exempt the property from taxation. It has been the practice in the past if exemption is recommended to have it apply first for the year in which the legislation is obtained which, in this case, would be 1952.

As this is a matter of policy I am not in a position to make a recommendation.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

PAYMENT REGISTRAR OF DEEDS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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 City Assessor respecting increased payments to the Registrar of Deeds for property transfers given to the Assessor's Department weekly was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$1,000.00 per annum be paid for this service, effective as from April 1, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

CLOSING COLLECTOR'S OFFICE ELECTION DAY

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

A report from the City Collector requesting that the

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Collector's Office be closed for business other than election matters on Wednesday, April 25, 1951, was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

FALKLAND STREET WIDENING

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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 Committee on Works recommending the purchase of land required for the purpose of widening Falkland Street was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 6th, 1951.

Re Falkland Street Widening

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 12th, the attached report from the City Assessor in regard to the purchase of land necessary for the widening of Falkland Street, was considered.

The Committee recommended that the land mentioned in proposition No. 1 be purchased for the sum of \$500.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 12, 1951.

March 12, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:- Re: Falkland Street Widening

As requested by your Board some weeks ago I have contacted the owner of the land required for the above purpose, J. M. Davison, K. C.

Two propositions were placed before the owner, namely:

1. The price he would ask for the necessary width from Brunswick Street to the rear of the Maitland Street property. This would be a length of approximately 220 feet and the price asked for this portion is \$500.00.

2. To extend the south line through to Maitland Street would require the purchase of the house 9 Maitland Street and the building of a wall on the north side of house No. 7 Maitland. The asking price for this property 9 Maitland is \$6,000.00, plus the erection of the wall. Of course the property could be purchased and not demolished, in which case the cost would be \$6,000.00.

Since my instructions were only to find out the cost involved I am placing the foregoing before you for your information and further instructions.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

CAPITAL BORROWINGS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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 it was agreed to recommend that applications be made to the Department of Municipal Affairs for authority to borrow for the following purposes:

WORKS DEPARTMENT

Street Paving	\$ 535,000.00
Concrete Sidewalks	400,000.00
Sidewalk Renewals	50,000.00
Sewer Construction	220,000.00
Fleming Park	5,000.00
Public Gardens	12,000.00
Alterations to Market Bldg.	50,000.00

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Street Signs	\$ 6,000.00
Motor Equipment	80,000.00
Sackville Street Widening	25,000.00
Off-Street Parking	160,000.00
Widening of Cunard & Robie Sts.	25,000.00
Memorial Library	12,000.00
Hydrostone District Streets and Walks	65,000.00
Fowl Killing Plant	2,500.00
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	\$1,647,500.00
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TUBERCULOSIS & INFECTIOUS DISEASES
HOSPITALS

Sprinkler Systems \$ 50,000.00

POINT PLEASANT PARK

New Truck \$ 2,100.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Formal Borrowing Resolutions covering the above items were submitted.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Breen that the resolutions as submitted be approved.

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

BRIEF COMMITTEE FOR INDUSTRIAL EXPANSION

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached letter and brief from the Committee for

April 12, 1951.

Industrial Expansion was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that Council concur in this brief.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

EXCHANGE OF LAND AGREEMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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, the matter of the Exchange of Land Agreement between His Majesty the King and the City of Halifax was discussed.

It was agreed to recommend that the City Solicitor be authorized to negotiate with the Department of National Defence with a view to arriving at a satisfactory interest rate and final settlement.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

RENTAL CONTROLS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 10, 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 letter from His Worship the Mayor respecting Rental Controls was read and discussed.

It was agreed to forward same to Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 12, 1951.

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Halifax that a Rental Authority be set up under an appropriate by-law to be prepared and submitted to the City Council for the purpose of controlling rents and tenancies within the City of Halifax under the authority of The Housing and Rentals Act enacted by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in 1951.

Read report from the City Solicitor as follows:

April 12, 1951.

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

Dear Sirs:

I attach herewith a draft By-law prepared by me under the authority of Chapter 10 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1951, The Housing and Rentals Act.

In my opinion this By-law may be passed by the City Council at one meeting and upon approval thereafter by the Minister of Municipal Affairs the same will become law.

In drafting this By-law I have endeavoured to carry forward the same standards applied under the Rentals Regulations of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, for the reason that up to the present time all rents that have been fixed have been fixed according to these standards and in my opinion it is undesirable to create a new set of standards unless all existing rentals are subject to review in the light of such new standards.

This By-law is intended to do the following:

- (1) continue in effect the rentals which have been fixed by the Rentals Administration of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board.
- (2) in accordance with the provisions of The Housing and Rentals Act, in any case where property is rented but no rental has been fixed by the Rentals Administration of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board, the rent actually in effect on April 30th, 1951, shall be the maximum rental.
- (3) providing for the fixing of maximum rentals on all properties not heretofore rented and which may be hereafter constructed, when the same are rented.

The By-law is intended to extend to rental of rooms as well as larger units. It is my understanding that the definition of "housing accommodation" in Section 13 of the Act includes "rooms." "Housing accommodation" is defined as follows:

"In this Act "housing accommodation" means any place of dwelling and any land upon which a place of dwelling is situated and includes all appurtenances, furniture, furnishings, equipment, fixtures, services and facilities that are or are to be supplied therefor for the rental in effect on the 30th day of April,

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1951, but does not include any room in a hotel or club house."

Attached to the original copy of this By-law you will find the forms necessary for the operation of the By-law. It will be necessary, of course, to have these forms printed if the City decides to pass the By-law.

The By-law also permits an increase in the maximum fixed rental or the rental in effect on April 30th, 1951, if additional services, appurtenances, furniture, etc., are supplied. Likewise the By-law permits an application for a reduction in the fixed maximum rental and the rental in effect on April 30th, 1951, if such services, appurtenances, etc., are lessened.

There is no provision in the By-law controlling rents for "shared accommodation," which means "any room or rooms forming part of the residence of the landlord or of his agent and of which the entrance and any facility are used in common by the landlord or his agent and the occupant or occupants of the room or rooms." Whether this difficult subject matter should be controlled is a matter for the Council to consider, but the best advice which I have been able to secure is to the effect that it is not a matter which particularly requires control at least at the present time. If conditions should change the matter can be dealt with by an amendment at a later date.

This By-law has been prepared under considerable pressure and in a very short space of time and I would suggest that, if the Council approves, a day be fixed for consideration of this By-law and the hearing of any comments thereon. It will also give the members of the Council an opportunity to study the terms at their leisure. If a special meeting were called, say a week from tonight, for the purpose of considering the making of this By-law, at which the public were invited to make suggestions or criticisms, the matter could without doubt be finalized by the Council in ample time to forward the same to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for his approval well before the last day of April this year, in which case the By-law would come into effect on May 1st, 1951, coincident with the withdrawal of the Dominion from the rental control field.

Yours truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

His Worship the Mayor: "This is a serious matter for the citizens of Halifax no matter what side you take. You have to look at it. It is before you in full shape with a resolution to adopt controls. It is suggested that Council receive these and have a hearing a week from tonight and then finalize later."

Alderman DeWolf: "Am I to understand that all rentals as of April 30th shall remain in effect. There have been people who have got notices of increases in rent for May 1st. Those rents will not go into effect?"

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City Solicitor: "That is correct."

Alderman DeWolf: "There will be no cases of reviewing rentals on decontrolled properties I understand. They still remain at the present rental as of April 30th. They cannot be reduced?"

City Solicitor: "That is right."

Alderman DeWolf: "In this By-law respecting a new building, rents will be controlled. Will they be controlled on a basis of decontrolled properties or by controlled properties?"

The City Solicitor referred the Alderman to Page 9, sub-clause 6 of the By-law which stated that any new housing accommodation completed by original construction or structural alteration on and after January 1, 1944, shall be fixed at an amount which in the opinion of the Rental Authority would yield a fair return based on prevailing costs of land, labour and materials.

He stated it was the same provision as now contained in the Rental Control Act.

Alderman DeWolf: "An apartment house which would cost more money than in 1944 would have a relation to income, but the rents may be lower than buildings erected last year. All those landlords whose rents have been controlled for 10 years since September 1939 with certain adjustments, they are still going to be on that basis. Some of those people are suffering. It is unfortunate that they can't be changed. I am speaking for the landlord who has been suffering for 10 years, not forgetting the tenant who has been suffering for the last few years. Rooms have been rented by tenants and they are getting far more out of it than the landlord."

City Solicitor: "It is too bad for the fellow who has been under those regulations. He is going to be discriminated against."

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Moriarty

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that Council adjourn until Thursday, April 19, 1951 at 8 P. M. at which time an expression of opinion be given by both landlords and tenants.

Alderman Breen: "Am I correct in the event of the City taking over controls does it mean that the City will control fixed rents on buildings that have been built recently, where not one hour of labor or one inch of material has been controlled?"

City Solicitor: "There must be a maximum rent fixed for that building".

Alderman Breen: "You are going to control a building that was built without controls of any kind. When it is completed the City is going to make controls with regard to the income of that building yet the Federal Government has seen fit to remove controls on materials."

City Solicitor: "There is an appeal to the County Court".

Alderman Abbott: "Am I correct? Did the Federal Government decontrol the rents on new buildings in 1948? I believe they did. Now we are going to take on something the Federal Government saw fit to decontrol 3 years ago".

City Solicitor: "If a building were decontrolled 3 years ago and became rented the Statute has fixed the rent for that particular building. The Statute has fixed that. That is anchored down. It is the Rental Act of 1951".

Alderman Breen: "There is no provision in the Bill whereby you can roll back the rent on decontrolled property".

City Solicitor: "I would assume that if the City were to defer rent control and put it in some months ahead from now, that these rentals would come in and the tenant would have to sue the landlord for the rent paid in excess of that fixed after such time. I don't think we can ourselves change leases by creating any rights of action by our By-Law. The maximum rental is to be the rental in effect April 30th. There is nothing in the Act to say that that becomes retroactive to May 1st. It may result in a situation like this; if rents are increased by the 1st. of May, then on the coming

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into effect of the By-Law, the rent thereafter would fall back to April 30th. There may have been a thought that we could freeze rents as well as tenure for 3 months to give the Municipalities a chance to bring in a By-Law".

Alderman Breen: "In the event of the City taking over the responsibility of control it can be amended or sections deleted. Then you are hooked with it."

Alderman DeWolf: "With respect to new buildings, the present Act says that new buildings are not subject to control. We are in effect changing that Act. If we are changing it in one case why not change it in another. There is the decontrolled rents. Any house that became vacant a few years ago you could charge whatever rent you liked. Why can't those rents be controlled to some degree?"

City Solicitor: "The Act doesn't say so."

Alderman DeWolf: "Does it say there shall be no increase?"

City Solicitor: "That is Clause "C". There are other rents that are not controlled. This Act comes in and says that those rents that are being paid on April 30th. are maximum rents."

Alderman Breen: "It doesn't say they can be rolled back."

City Solicitor: "No. It prohibits anyone from renting any building until it is fixed by the Rental Authority. Buildings constructed prior to 1944."

Alderman DeWolf: "Depreciation shall not be put into effect for 4 years. I don't know whether that applies to apartment houses. Should it apply that question of depreciation has always been a vital factor. Where no depreciation is allowed for 4 years then it will be a question of whether that depreciation shall be allowed in the rent."

Alderman Fox: "Suppose the City takes over control of rents, will the City of Halifax be considered a landlord?"

City Solicitor: "The City is exempted under Section 2."

Alderman Hatfield: "We should figure out some new plans

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that could be workable. I don't think the present plan is workable at all. I have not had time to study the Solicitor's By-law. I am advocating that controls come off. Controls come off but that the landlord be able to charge a reasonable rent. It would be worked out on a basis of assessment and the investment costs.

We would set up a Secretary who would receive an application from a tenant. He would make it only if his rent were raised unduly high by the landlord. They would set out the details. They would make out another application. It would be a questionnaire to be forwarded to the landlord. He would fill out the facts of the case. They would have to be sworn to. When all these facts are gathered, the Board would hear it. They would decide and be given the authority to put the rent back where it should be. If a tenant wants to come to the Board he should pay \$15.00. If the tenant wins the case the landlord should pay the \$15.00. The landlord gets a decent profit on his investment and at the same time the tenant has a place to complain and if he is not satisfied with the Board he can go to the Court.

Those who have suffered for the last 10 years are going to continue to suffer. A lot of people will lose money on their properties. A lot are decontrolled. They have no competition. I want the Aldermen to consider that plan along with the Solicitor's plan. I think the controls are difficult to handle and we are only making them more difficult. With the system I advocate there will be only about 10% of the tenants to make a complaint. With this system we are going to find out how much he has paid for his materials and labor."

Alderman Breen to Alderman Hatfield: "Was it the intention that there would be no control? A Board would be set up with powers to deal with overcharged rentals? If that is a motion I will second it."

Alderman DeWolf: "It is contrary to the power given to us by the Legislature."

Alderman Hatfield: "I don't think so. It is within the Act."

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City Solicitor: "If anyone wants an increase it must come before the Rental Authority."

Alderman Hatfield: "I am saying all rents are free."

City Solicitor: "You have to start off with a fixed maximum rental under the Act. A person could come in and ask for 10% of the value of a property."

Alderman Hatfield: "By one simple order he could say those rentals are no longer in effect."

City Solicitor: "I don't think he can repeal the Statute by an order. See Clause "C". The Act does give the Rental Authority power to increase the fixed rental."

Alderman DeWolf: "A man building a house for \$4,000.00 a few years ago and at today's prices it would be sold for \$12,000.00; then the 10% would not be a proper return."

City Solicitor: "The assessment is not the answer to that. A person builds a house in 1948, the house will probably cost more than the Assessor would assess him."

The motion was then put and passed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

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

Gentlemen:-

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

<u>Tuberculosis Hospital</u>	
Parke, Davis & Company, Ltd.	\$ 720.94
Nivea Pharmaceuticals Limited	217.50
Merck & Co. Limited	696.00
J. A. Leaman & Co. Limited	1,825.45
Lederle Laboratories Division	292.98
Cogswell's	397.70
Howard's Limited	1,193.69

<u>Infectious Diseases Hospital</u>	
Parke, Davis & Company, Ltd.	\$ 1,062.27
Lederle Laboratories Division	254.81

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The Wood Brothers Co. Limited	\$ 259.20
Dalhousie Clinic	5,000.00

City Home

J. & M. Murphy, Limited	\$ 1,104.17
J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd.	2,866.75
R. B. Seeton & Co. Ltd.	712.10
Robin Hood Flour Mills Limited	262.50

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR UNIFORMS CITY PRISON STAFF

Halifax, N. S.,
April 2, 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, a tender was submitted from Claytons Limited offering to supply three piece Uniforms for members of the staff of the City Prison at \$44.50 each.

Your Committee recommends that the tender be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR GROCERIES FOR HOSPITALS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 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 Fish and Groceries to the Tuberculosis and Infectious Diseases Hospitals were considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the tender of Boutilier's Limited for the supply of Fish and Howards Limited for the supply of Groceries be approved for a period of six months from April

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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PURCHASE OF OVERBED TABLES T. B. HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 2, 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, it was agreed to recommend that 12 Overbed Tables be purchased for use at the Tuberculosis Hospital from J. F. Hartz & Company, at a total cost of \$567.00 and that funds required for same be provided from Capital Account.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PURCHASE OF SHEETING FOR HOSPITALS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 2, 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, it was agreed to recommend that Sheeting be ordered from T. Eaton Co. Maritime Limited for use at the Tuberculosis and Infectious Diseases Hospitals as follows:

500 yards	@ \$ 1.45 per yd.	\$ 725.00
184 "	1.59 " "	292.56
200 "	1.55 " "	<u>310.00</u>
		\$1,327.56
		<u>53.10</u>
Less 4% Sales Tax		\$1,274.46
Net Amount		

This is in place of sheeting ordered previously, which was found to be unsatisfactory.

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

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

CONVENTIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 2, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend.

(1) That Dr. Beckwith be authorized to attend a Convention of the Canadian Tuberculosis Association, which is being held in Montreal, during the week beginning May 14 and granted expenses not exceeding the sum of \$150.00.

(2) That Dr. Fogo be authorized to attend a Convention of the Canadian Public Health Association which is being held in Montreal on the week beginning May 28 and granted expenses not exceeding the sum of \$200.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Vaughan: "In view of the financial position of the City the Officials could forego that trip."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that all convention trips this year be cancelled.

Alderman Fox: "I think conventions are a help to the tax payers of the City. The officials pick up and get to know how business is done in other cities. They hear the different views of the other officials in other municipalities. I agree that when it comes to more than one a year we can do without that."

His Worship the Mayor: "This is the post graduate work of the men working at City Hall. I think it is a bad policy to say they can't go. If this policy had been followed when we had our conference of Mayors here we would have had nobody here at all."

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Alderman Vaughan: "While there is a great deal of technical knowledge to be gathered at these conferences, I just question the purpose of attending these conferences annually. I know of one official who attends every second year. The long trips he passes up. Perhaps that could be done by the other officials. I don't remember receiving reports from officials who attend conferences. Surely they could give it to us in a written report. I don't think anyone would suffer a great hardship if they remained at home this year."

His Worship the Mayor: "In other words you are not going to send any good-will messengers to other parts of the country. It is beneficial to the City of Halifax. I think it is a step in the wrong direction."

Alderman DeWolf: "There are many large Companies throughout Canada and the United States that have their annual or semi-annual conferences from which their employees get a lot of information. In some cases it costs hundreds of thousands of dollars to have these conferences. One conference a year would be a great advantage."

Alderman Abbott: "Your Worship does Alderman Vaughan's amendment mean officials that have already been authorized to go at previous meetings would be stopped from going?"

Alderman Vaughan: "Yes. I think so."

Alderman Fox: "Conferences are not meant for officials to make reports. It is a personal touch. The official on the other end will make every effort to help the man he knows much more than if he did not have the opportunity of meeting the other official. The man who lives in a small area is most likely narrow-minded. Alderman DeWolf has already said that many thousands of dollars are spent by firms and corporations to send their officials away. I think any official that goes away, the money is well spent with the knowledge he gets."

The amendment was put and lost 4 voting for the same and

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8 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
Vaughan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Duffy
Fox
Hatfield
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty
Redmond

- 8 -

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Macdonald
Redmond
Fox
Duffy
Hatfield
MacMillan

- 8 -

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Abbott
Adams
Vaughan

- 4 -

FIRE SAFETY DEVICES HOSPITALS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 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 attached report from the Commissioner of Health respecting the matter of equipping the Infectious Diseases and Tuberculosis Hospitals with Fire Safety Devices, was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved and the funds required for this purpose provided from the Maintenance Accounts of the current year's estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that
the report be approved.

Alderman Breen: "Have we got a Purchasing Department
or Agent?"

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His Worship the Mayor: "In the Works Dept."

Mr. Harris: "He is Purchasing Agent for the Works Dept. only."

Alderman Breen: "I presume that this purchasing has been dealt with by the Health Committee. Were tenders called for. Was that the procedure?"

His Worship the Mayor: "That is what I understand."

Alderman Abbott: "The lowest tender was recommended."

Alderman Breen: "Were tenders called for?"

Alderman Fox: "That came from the Fire Chief."

Alderman DeWolf: "One tender was submitted and that was not opened."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox that this matter be referred to the Purchasing Agent.

There was no seconder for this amendment.

Alderman Breen: "There is no general Purchasing Agent. My question was who made the purchase and were tenders called for. Who will make the purchase the Committee on Works or the Health Committee. If it is the Committee on Works let it come through the Committee on Works. Who called for the tender?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I imagine it was called by the Health Dept."

Alderman Breen: "It should have been called by the Works Dept. It is their estimate."

His Worship the Mayor: "It should not be here. It was held in Committee and there was only one tender."

His Worship the Mayor then stated that the item was withdrawn.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
April 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above

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date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment.

Major Bros. Limited	\$ 410.00
Imperial Oil Limited	428.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR CAR CITY ELECTRICIAN'S DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 5, 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 from the City Electrician recommending for acceptance a tender from Citadel Motors Ltd. at \$1,605.00 for a Sedan Delivery Car was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS FOR HOSE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 5, 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 from the Chief of the Fire Department submitting tenders for best grade hose from 6 firms and recommending for acceptance a tender from Safety Supply Company at \$2,350.00 plus Sales Tax was considered and concurred in.

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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TENDERS MOTOR EQUIPMENT POLICE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 5, 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 tenders for motor equipment for the Police Department were
considered.

Your Committee recommends the following tenders for
acceptance:

Purdy Motors Ltd.	3 cars	\$ 3,776.00
Geo. Colquhoun	4 motorcycles	4,642.00

These prices include trade in allowances.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 12, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

The following firms have advised that due to the increased
sales tax recently passed, the tenders they submitted will be
increased by the following amounts.

Clayton & Sons Ltd:
Suits and Frock Coats at 86 cents per garment
making a total of \$156.08

Purdy Motors Ltd:
Cars \$180.00 per car making a total of \$540.00
for the three machines. There is a possibility that the cars
being turned in might rate an additional \$30.00 or \$40.00 depend-
ing on the market.

George Colquhoun:

Motorcycles on four machines an additional \$464.72.

I respectfully request that these additional amounts be
authorized.

Yours very truly,

V. W. Mitchell,
CHIEF OF POLICE.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Adams
that the report be approved at the increased prices as indicated
in the report of the Chief of Police. Motion passed.

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ILLUMINATING ENGINEERS CONFERENCE

Halifax, N. S.,
April 5, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date had for consideration a request from the City Electrician to attend the Illuminating Engineering Society Regional Conference to be held in Quebec, May 9 to 12, 1951 under the usual conditions.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
DeWolf
Duffy
Fox
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty
Redmond

- 9 -

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Hatfield
Vaughan

- 3 -

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

April 6th 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April
3rd, the following accounts were approved and recommended for
payment:-

Construction Equipment Co. Ltd.	\$ 573.21
Imperial Oil Ltd.	1206.60
Pyke Bros.	600.00
G. F. Sterne and Son Ltd.	636.19

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

ILLUMINATED SIGNS

April 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April
9th, the attached report from the Building Inspector recommend-
ing that the following signs be allowed to be installed, was
approved and recommended to City Council:

#729 Robie St.	A. E. Fowles Ltd.	\$ 5.00
408 Gottingen St.	T. H. LaPoint	5.00
111 Creighton St.	A. G. Holland	5.00
199 Agricola St.	Tuckett Tobacco	5.00
107 Spring Garden	Road - Ralph Sadofsky	5.00
54 Argyle St.	Bowes Signs	5.00
151 Granville St.	Halifax Seed Co.	5.00
19 Isleville St.	Globe Laundry	5.00
109 Gottingen St.	Malloys Furriers Ltd.	5.00
South Street	Universal Sales	5.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

STREET LIGHTING

March 21st 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March
20th, the attached reports from the City Electrician and
Deputy City Electrician, recommending that One-250 C. P. light
be installed on Harvey Street at an approximate cost of \$71.65,
and One - 250 C. P. light on Norwood Street, to replace the
present light, at an approximate cost of \$60.70, were approved
and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 12, 1951.

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

STREET LIGHTING

April 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 9th, the attached reports from the City Electrician recommending improved street lighting on Kaye Street, at an approximate cost of \$353.25; and that one 250 C. P. light be installed on Harbour-view Drive, at an approximated cost of \$70.65, were considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

FIRE PROTECTION RATE

April 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 9th the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that the Fire Protection Rate for the year 1951 be twenty-one cents (\$.21) per \$100.00 of valuation was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

Alderman Breen: "What about the Fire Protection Rate
being included in the general rate?"

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This is as shown on plan #00-2-11334, a copy of which accompanies this report.

Yours very truly,

E. J. Feetham,
Divisional Engineer.

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

REMOVAL OF ROCK DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD

April 6th, 1951.

Re: Dutch Village Road - Lots Nos. 4, 5, & 6.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 3rd, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that a payment of \$1850.00 be permitted to Butler Bros. for the removal of rock, 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.

April 3rd, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

1. In order to build on lots #4, 5 and 6 on the east side of the Dutch Village Road, it is necessary that the rock cliff be removed.
2. Some of this cliff is along the route of a proposed sidewalk and within the official street line.
3. An estimated cost of the removal of the City's portion of this rock by the City Forces is \$2,200.00.
4. The Contractor has submitted a tender to do the City's share of the rock excavation while he is doing the excavation on his lots for \$1,850.00, a saving of \$350.00.
5. I recommend that a payment of \$1,850.00 be permitted to Butler Bros. for the removal of rock from the City street under the direction of the Commissioner of Works.

Respectfully submitted,
A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

April 12, 1951.

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

MacDONALD STREET IMPROVEMENTS

March 20th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen: Re: MacDonald Street - Raising Houses

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March
20th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works in
regard to houses No. 58 and 60 MacDonald Street 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.

March 19, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:

1. Two houses on the west side of MacDonald Street are yet to
be adjusted in order to complete the work started some time ago.

2. Number 58 MacDonald Street is to be raised and the owner,
Mr. Scallion, requests that he be allowed to employ his own
contractor and the City pay a specified amount of \$2,003.00 to
the owner when the house is raised.

3. The owner of number 60 MacDonald Street, Mr. Tobin, does not
wish his house raised but desires a concrete retaining wall and
steps in lieu of raising the house.

4. As the amount specified by Mr. Scallion is less than the
original estimated cost of raising the house and the cost of the
retaining wall and steps requested by Mr. Tobin is less than the
estimated cost of raising his house, I recommend that:-

(a) The City of Halifax pay to Mr. Scallion the sum of Two
Thousand and Three (2,003.00) dollars when his house at number
58 MacDonald Street has been raised, and, -

(b) That a concrete retaining wall and steps be constructed
in lieu of raising number 60 MacDonald Street.

5. This work all comes under "MacDonald Street Improvement" and
the money is available from Capital Borrowing.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

April 12, 1951.

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

Alderman Fox: "I would like some information on this. This last year there was a lot of money spent on raising houses and walls on MacDonald Street and I understand on a ruling by the City Solicitor that the City is under no obligation to do that work. I believe \$25,000.00 was spent in the last 15 months and a lot spent without coming to this Council at all."

His Worship the Mayor: "All the money spent on MacDonald St. went through the Committee on Works."

Alderman Fox: "It has not come to Council."

His Worship the Mayor: "It came to Council. There was a moral obligation from the City."

Alderman Fox: "I see where the man is going to accept the wall to get the value. I would like this clarified as to whether there was money spent in large sums that never came to this Council. It came from the general street fund."

Mr. Harris: "Any money spent by our Department goes through in the regular way."

Alderman Breen: "The wall was an arrangement between the Committee on Works and the owner. I think the wall would make the improvement at considerably less cost to the City."

Alderman Vaughan: "There are only two houses remaining to be completed. Surely it is not the intention of any Alderman to withdraw from those citizens that right. This man has been put to considerable inconvenience. I do hope that this work will be proceeded with so this man's house can be raised and the work done."

Alderman Fox: "The information I have is that this work was authorized by Mr. Woods."

His Worship the Mayor: "I do not think there was a cent spent there without going through this Council. Your information is misleading."

Alderman DeWolf: "I am sure that the work has been going

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on with full knowledge and consent of Council. That was decided on about 4 or 5 years ago and it has been done except for 2 remaining houses."

His Worship the Mayor: "I take exception to the remark and I am going to demand that the Engineer and the Finance Commissioner dig out the information. I don't like these assertions. The work has been going on for several years."

Alderman Fox: "Does that legalize it? The City Solicitor ruled that the City of Halifax was under no legal obligation."

His Worship the Mayor: "We can always get legislation for that."

Alderman Breen: "I think the condition of MacDonald Street was caused by the City Works Department themselves. I don't think the people living below the street levels are there by choice. It has been in the Commission on Works for the last 7 or 8 years. There is nothing new about it."

His Worship the Mayor: "No money was spent that did not go through Committee or Council."

Alderman Fox requested that a report be submitted to the next Council meeting for all the walls.

Alderman Macdonald: "It was caused by the street levels. When the street was paved it was up higher than the levels of the houses on the West Side. All the money that was spent there and to be spent was approved by the City Council. I believe the Commissioner of Works had negotiated with the two property owners on MacDonald St. One man prefers to have a wall put up."

Alderman Fox: "I have a newspaper clipping here. I think policy should be made by Council. I am going to question whether it is legal \$10,500.00."

His Worship the Mayor: "You raise a question as to legality here. I am going to ask the officials to produce that information. I still say what this Council did and what the officials did will bear the light of day."

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Alderman Vaughan: "This is a capital borrowing? It was approved by the Department of Municipal Affairs?"

Mr. Harris: "Yes."

Alderman Fox: "Is the City of Halifax under any obligation?"

City Solicitor: "My understanding is that the buildings are there. The City raised the level of the street. Under the Charter the City is not liable for any damages caused by the raising or the lowering of the street. I will be very pleased to give you a written opinion on it."

Alderman DeWolf: "Whether it is legal or not this work has been going on for some years. It is about 8 or 9 years. It is quite possible that legislation has been sought. As Alderman Vaughan says the borrowing has gone through the Department of Municipal Affairs."

His Worship the Mayor: "The item is withdrawn from the agenda. There has to be a written opinion from the Solicitor. It is my prerogative to withdraw it from the agenda."

Alderman Macdonald: "We have a moral obligation to fulfill to those people."

His Worship the Mayor: "The question was asked 'is it legal'? It is off the agenda until I get a written opinion from the City Solicitor: "

Alderman Vaughan: "Can the Mayor withdraw an item from the agenda?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes. I am using my prerogative until I get the written opinion."

The motion was not put.

FRANCKLYN STREET EXTENSION

April 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 9th, the attached reports from the Commissioner of Works and

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City Assessor re widening a portion of Francklyn Street to 60 feet were considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 2nd, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Francklyn Street is sixty (60') feet wide to a point just south of Point Pleasant Drive, where it decreases to fifty-two (52') feet. The width gradually decreases from this point until it is forty (40') feet wide, four hundred (400') feet beyond the 52' width. It continues at forty (40') feet until it reaches Inglewood Drive which is sixty (60') feet in width. Francklyn Street extension south of Inglewood will be sixty (60') feet in width. See Plan Number PP-7-11479.

In order to provide an entrance to Inglewood Subdivision and the proposed Francklyn Park Subdivision, it is necessary to improve Francklyn Street approximately five hundred (500') feet.

I would recommend the following:-

- (1) That a sixty (60') foot street be established by altering the western street line.
- (2) That the land outlined in red be acquired and the City Assessor be requested to negotiate with the owners.
- (3) That the extension of Francklyn Street be ordered to approximately two hundred (200') feet south of the intersection of Inglewood Drive.
- (4) The estimated cost of this grading is about \$10,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

April 9, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:

At your Meeting last week a recommendation from the

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Commissioner of Works to the effect that the street line on this street be changed and the matter was referred to me to enquire as to what the cost would be to acquire the necessary land to carry out this recommendation.

I have contacted the four owners of the properties involved and from rough calculation it would appear that it would cost about \$420.00 to acquire this land, plus the cost of a right-of-way into the property of Mrs. Mary Eileen Donahoe. This cost is broken down as follows:

H. P. McKeen	\$ 70.00
H. M. McInnes	100.00
F. B. McGurdy	250.00
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	\$ 420.00
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I understand that the Commissioner of Works and Mr. Donahoe have agreed on the question of a driveway and advise that it would not prove very expensive.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

April 12, 1951.

Re Tentative Subdivision - Inglewood B.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on April 9th, the matter of Francklyn Street leading to this subdivision was discussed.

It was pointed out that the present entrance from Tower Road Extension would be closed off, thus depriving the residents on Inglewood Drive of an entrance to their properties.

The Board therefore agreed that that portion of Francklyn Street, south of Point Pleasant Drive (formerly Miller Street) be widened to a full width of 60 feet by altering the Western street line of Francklyn Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

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LAND CONNAUGHT AVENUE

April 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 9th the attached report from the City Assessor recommending that Mr. W. A. Andrews pay the sum of \$40.00 for a 5 ft strip of land on the west side of Connaught Avenue, was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 9, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:

At your Meeting on March 12th 1951, an offer from W. A. Andrews for a strip of land on the west side of Connaught Avenue, having a width of 5 feet and a depth of 125 feet, was considered. It was agreed that the strip should be sold to Mr. Andrews and the price was to be fixed by me. I would recommend that the sum of \$40.00 be paid for this piece of land.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

STRAIGHTENING CHEBUCTO ROAD

April 6th 1951.

Re Landscaping Chebucto Road - Westmount

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 3rd, the attached letter from the Deputy Minister, Department of Municipal Affairs re using money from "Sale of Land" account to pay the cost of landscaping part of the Westmount Subdivision, was considered.

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The Committee recommended that the money be used to straighten out the Chebucto Road area, and that landscaping be left with the Engineering Department until material can be provided.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

Alderman Hatfield: "The request came from a large number of residents of the Westmount for consideration to improving certain lands which at the present time is a dump. What the Committee on Works came up with is to widen the street. You are planning to widen the part of the street where the cars can go as fast as they like. The narrow points are at Kline Street going west and at Mumford Road. I would suggest that matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for further consideration."

Alderman Macdonald: "I contacted some of the residents of Ward 4 and there was no objection to the course that was suggested by the Committee on Works that it should not be carried out."

Alderman Hatfield: "I am suggesting that there is a place along Chebucto Road where improvements are needed far greater."

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

Alderman Fox: "The Traffic Authority is forgotten about altogether."

PURCHASE OF CARS

April 6th 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

April 12, 1951.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 3rd, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending the purchase of -

One Fordor 1951 Ford Car for the Wire Inspection Department
at \$ 2265.53

One Plymouth 4 - Door Sedan for the Commissioner of Works
at \$ 2328.34

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.

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

CITY MARKET

April 10th 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held yesterday, the attached letter from Messrs. J. Phillip Dumaresq and Associates re the installation of a fire alarm system within the City Market Building, and the substitution of fire-proof materials on the upper walls and ceiling of the gymnasium instead of the insul-board which was originally specified for these walls and ceilings, at a total cost of \$4,680.00, quoted by the Fundy Construction Company Ltd. was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 12, 1951.

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

TENDERS FOR PAVING

April 10th 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held yesterday,
the attached report from the Commissioner of Works was considered.

The Committee recommended that the lowest tender
received from the Standard Paving Maritime Limited be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 9th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Re: Tenders for Paving

Tenders for Asphalt Paving were received from the
Municipal Spraying and Contracting Ltd. and the Standard
Paving Maritime Ltd. and a comparison of the tenders shows
the Standard Paving Maritime Ltd. to be the lowest on 29 of
the 32 items called for in the form of tender. A considerable
saving would be made, by accepting the tender of the Standard
Paving Maritime Ltd. and it is therefore recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Macdonald
that the report be approved subject to approval of the Capital
borrowing by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Alderman Vaughan: "Did we get a report from a north
end organization on the feasibility of the City operating its
own plant. Has that report come in? I notice that Moosejaw
has purchased a paving plant at a price of \$38,000.00. They
see fit to operate their own plant. Perhaps the City of Hali-
fax might explore that. I understand that there is a plant
in St. John."

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Alderman Fox: "I agree with what Alderman Vaughan says."

His Worship the Mayor: "I got a report on the St. John plant. All those matters were more or less considered. Nothing is to be gained by this filibuster on the last night of Council. The request was at the Committee on Works and it was filed. Let us get down to City business and get this filibuster over."

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

TENDERS FOR INSPECTION

April 10th, 1951.

Tenders for Inspection

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held yesterday, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works was considered:

For the Inspection of Concrete Sidewalks, Curb and Gutter etc.

The Committee recommended that the lowest tender of the Commonwealth Associated Engineers Ltd., \$ 4,784.00, be accepted.

For the Inspection of Asphalt Pavement

The Committee recommended that the tender of Milton Hersey Co. Ltd., be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 9th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Tenders for the inspection of Concrete Sidewalks, Curb and Gutter, Etc., were received from the following firms:

Commonwealth Associated Engineers	- \$ 4,784.
H. C. Loring Associates Ltd.	- 4,879.
Milton Hersey Co. Ltd.	- 6,307.

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The above amounts shown are based on estimated quantities and it is therefore recommended that the lowest tender, that of the Commonwealth Associated Engineers be accepted.

Tenders were also received for the Inspection of Asphalt Pavement from H. C. Loring Associates Ltd. and Milton Hersey Co. Ltd. The difference between the two tenders submitted is only one (\$.01) cent per ton, H. C. Loring Associates Ltd., being the lowest.

During the last few years the firm of Milton Hersey Co. Ltd. have in my opinion found to be very satisfactory and since there is only a small difference in the two tenders, I would therefore recommend the tender of Milton Hersey Co. Ltd. be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved subject to approval of the Capital borrowing by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Alderman Fox: "Is it the highest tender accepted?"

Mr. Harris: "I felt the Milton Hersey Company were well qualified for one cent difference."

Alderman Fox: "Has this firm any connection with the Standard Paving Maritime Ltd?"

Mr. Harris: "I would not know."

The motion was then put and passed.

TENDERS FOR SIDEWALKS ETC.

April 10th 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held yesterday, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works was considered.

The Committee recommended that the lowest tender of Walker and Hall Ltd., be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 12, 1951.

April 9th 1951.

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

Gentlemen:- Re: Tenders Concrete Sidewalks, Curb & Gutters, Etc.

Tenders were received from Walker & Hall Ltd. and Bianco Bros. for the laying of Concrete Sidewalks, Curbs and Gutters, Sodding, Etc., and were compared by using estimated quantities.

On about \$300,000 worth of work, the tender of Walker and Hall Ltd., is the lowest by nearly \$1,000 and is therefore recommended.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved, subject to the approval of the Capital borrowing by the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Alderman Fox: "I understand there is not much difference in the tenders."

His Worship the Mayor: "Where did you get the information."

Alderman Fox: "That is my business to get information before I come to Council."

His Worship the Mayor: "I have to depend on my engineers for certain recommendations."

Alderman Fox: "They are not always right. I think that after not accepting the lowest tender for the inspection, this should be split between the two."

His Worship the Mayor: "I thought you were going to talk about policy."

Read letter from Bianco Bros. as follows:

April 11, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

We beg to refer to the tender for the City's 1951

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sidewalk contract, which was considered by the Board of Works on the 9th inst. The Commissioner of Works recommended that the tender of Walker & Hall Ltd. for sidewalks, curbs, gutters and sodding be accepted. The matter now comes before the Council for approval.

We understand that there is very little difference in the prices shown in the tender of Bianco Bros., and the tender of Walker & Hall Ltd. The differences are such that having regard to the very large sum appropriated by the City for sidewalks, etc. there would be no appreciable increase in the cost of the work if the tender of Bianco Bros. had been recommended.

We are and have been for some years large taxpayers of the City of Halifax and have in the past had the privilege of doing sidewalks for the City.

Before City Council approves of the Action of the Board of Works, we hereby make application for consideration by Council of having the sidewalk contract for 1951 divided between Walker & Hall Ltd. and Bianco Bros. We are willing to do the work at the same rates as those of Walker & Hall Ltd.

This request is not one in which we seek a preference or unfair advantage over our competitor, for on one occasion a few years ago, Bianco Bros. submitted the lowest tender and the Commissioner of Works recommended that the sidewalk work be equally divided between Bianco Bros. and Walker & Hall Ltd., whose tender at that time was higher than that of our own. This recommendation of the Commissioner of Works that the two firms mentioned be awarded the sidewalk contract for that year was passed by the Board of Works and subsequently approved of by the City Council. On the occasion in question, Walker & Hall Ltd. enjoyed the privilege of one-half of the contract at the price of our tender which was accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Emile Bianco
Ernest Bianco

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the contract be split between Walker & Hall and Bianco Bros.

Alderman Hatfield: "One party could receive a dirty section and the other would get another location and make a sizable profit."

His Worship the Mayor: "You have a report from the Committee on Works recommending the lowest tender."

Alderman Fox: "You had one recommending the highest tender of Milton Hersey Co."

Alderman Duffy: "If it were legal to split the tender before it could be done this time."

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His Worship the Mayor: "That is a bad precedent."

Alderman Abbott: "I think Council should support the recommendation of the Engineer."

Alderman Hatfield: "I would like to hear from the Commissioner of Works on what happened the year they split it."

Alderman Breen: "In that year there was a heavy program of sidewalk and gutter work. The thought was to divide it up so it would be done quicker for the Bicentenary Celebration."

Alderman Fox: "Is it light this year?"

Mr. Harris: "It is very heavy."

Alderman Breen: "I am satisfied to accept the recommendation even though it is higher. The lowest tender is not always in the best interests."

Alderman Fox: "Was it split in 1948?"

Alderman Hatfield: "What was the net result of that year's operation?"

Mr. Harris: "In 1948 it was a big program. It was thought at that time it was best to divide it up. One contractor was working in the north end and the other in the southend. One contractor thought he had been given streets with rocks while the other got earth streets. I recall there was quite a bit of dissention. The total difference this year is about \$1,000.00. This year the difference is 10¢ per sq. yd. on 4 inch walk. For that reason we recommended the lower tender of Walker & Hall."

Alderman Vaughan: "Walker and Hall did the work last year. Who did the inspection? Is there any other inspector the City has over the contractor?"

Mr. Harris: "The Commonwealth people did it last year. They take tests of the strength of the concrete. They have inspectors on the street. That is all done by this inspection firm."

Alderman Vaughan: "Where a driveway or ramp is constructed what thickness is called for?"

Mr. Harris: "6 inches."

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Alderman Vaughan: "4 inches was put in at my place and I paid for 6."

City Solicitor: "Any motion to split the work will require the consent from both tenderers. You called for tenders for all of the work."

The amendment was then ruled out of order.

The motion was then put and passed 8 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Hatfield
Macdonald
Moriarty
Redmond

AGAINST IT

Alderman Duffy
Fox
MacMillan
Vaughan

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WORKING AGREEMENT CIVIC WORKERS UNION #108

April 10, 1951.

Re: Working Agreement - Halifax Civic Workers Federal Union

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 9th, the attached letter and copy of agreement effective May 1st to December 31st 1951, were considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 7th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman,
Committee on Works,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:

In reference to the offer made by your Sub-Committee,

April 12, 1951.

at the meeting held Tuesday April 3rd. At a meeting of the Local called in special session on Thursday April 5th, I was instructed to inform you of the action taken by the Union.

As you know our original request was an increase of 20% across the Board with the forty hour week, this was not granted. Subsequently your Committee made us two offers viz. A grant of five cents across the board, and to retain the Cost of Living Bonus. Or a fifteen cent raise across the board, and to relinquish the Cost of Living Bonus.

I was instructed to write your Committee to say that the Union excepts, the latter. Although far from been adequate enough to combat the ever raising cost of living, the Union feels at this time that your Committee has done its best.

Respectfully submitted,

James M. Cody,
Secretary & Business Agent.

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

WORKING AGREEMENT TEAMSTERS' UNION #927

April 10th 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 9th, the attached copy of Agreement between the City and Local Union #927, Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers, effective May 1st to December 31st 1951, was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

EXCHANGE OF LAND CHANDOS STREET

April 6th 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on April

April 12, 1951.

3rd, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer re exchange of land with General Trust and Executor Corporation was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

March 29th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Attached find a plan showing lands in question. This matter is brought up to try to correct the situation.

A solution to the matter would be for the City to give a correct deed to the land in yellow area which the General Trust and Executor Corp. thought they bought; the General Trust and Executor Corp. deed back the green area which they got in error; and the Committee again consider the original request to trade the green area for the red and blue areas.

This would correct the entire situation and open the land for subdivision, open Leeds Street and provide an opportunity to commence the Memorial Drive.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. G. SNOOK
Town Planning Engineer.

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

SUBDIVISION COOK PROPERTY DALHOUSIE ST.

April 10th 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held yesterday, the attached Plan No. 00-3-11697, showing resubdivision of the property of C. L. Cook - Dalhousie 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. Sabeau, CLERK OF WORKS.

April 12, 1951.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report and By-law as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
April 6, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

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

C. S. Barkhouse.....\$ 533.40.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS RECREATION COMMITTEE

A list of accounts amounting to \$697.16 was submitted.

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

ACCOUNTS PREFAB COMMITTEE

A list of accounts amounting to \$985.07 was submitted.

Alderman Duffy: "These accounts are from the Committee. We did not have a meeting."

Alderman Fox: "Who is the Administrator at the present time?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The Assessor."

Alderman Fox: "There has not been a meeting since January 4, 1951."

City Assessor: "I have been carrying on since January 4, 1951."

Alderman Fox: "Who appointed Mr. McManus Administrator?"

City Assessor: "The Committee appointed me to carry on."

Alderman Fox: "There were 13 houses left to be sold and they were sold within a week. Who signs the vouchers and what as?"

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City Assessor: "I have been signing them right along as head of the Department. Most of these accounts are in connection with the Connolly Street property."

Alderman Fox: "A committee is appointed for a certain duty and it is out of existence May 1st. There are no meetings called."

Alderman DeWolf: "At our last meeting it was my understanding that Mr. McManus would do any work that was necessary. Our work was pretty well completed. To have regular meetings are not necessary. There will have to be a meeting within the next week or so to go over any matters that may be before the Committee at that time. There is an application in from one group who want to buy the office. The matter of routine work, Mr. McManus has been overseeing that. It has been left in very capable hands which I understood would look after it."

Alderman Duffy: "Has the staff been increased any since January 4th?"

His Worship the Mayor: "All that has transpired has been in the interests of the City. There were a few houses left over."

Alderman DeWolf: "It was handed over to Mr. McManus. The staff consists of two and the services of one other man. It is no longer there. Mr. Fraser and Mr. Burbridge are the only two. Mr. Walker was taken on to look after the serving of notices to all tenants to see about sales that we believed had been carried on without the knowledge of the Committee. Any sales of these properties where they have been purchased on terms could not be resold unless cash was paid for the property. From the work of delivering those notices and having them signed, we have discovered there are possibly 50 persons who feel they have purchased the properties but they will not get the deeds under the arrangements we made under the original sale of the houses."

His Worship the Mayor: "The work of that Committee was completed; the office was closed and the staff dismissed."

Alderman Fox: "I am sure it is the function of this Council

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to see that business is carried on properly. John Walker was on the payroll twice in one month."

Alderman DeWolf: "He was not doubly paid. He was taken on January 22nd. He delivered these notices. It has borne results. I make no apology for making that suggestion in the first place."

Alderman Fox: "Would you call it good business where it is costing the City \$650.00 to deliver and have signed for some 787 letters?"

Alderman DeWolf: "There were 812. I don't know what it cost. In delivering 812 notices you don't just knock at the door. You may have to go back 2 or 3 times."

Alderman Fox: "How did John Walker get on the payroll the second time? If there is a letter I would like to have it read."

The City Clerk then read a letter from the Commissioner of Finance as follows:

April 11th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council,
City of Halifax,
CITY HALL.

Dear Sirs:

At the last meeting of the City Council, Alderman George Fox asked for the authority which had placed Mr. John Walker on the payroll of the Halifax Prefab Housing Committee.

At a meeting of this Committee held on January 4th, 1951, it was decided to close the office of the Committee on January 15th, 1951, and Mr. Walker and other members of the staff were to receive one month's pay and at the same meeting the Committee decided to have a letter delivered to each occupant and have the letter signed for. Subsequently on February 1st, 1951 I received a letter from Mr. J. F. McManus advising me that Mr. Walker had been re-engaged for this work, at the same rate of pay, commencing January 22nd, 1951.

Our records show that Mr. Walker was paid up to February 15th, 1951 on the first job and from January 22nd to April 7th, 1951, on which date the second job was completed.

He received one car allowance of \$25.00 per month for January, February and March.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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Alderman Fox: "I would like to have the letter read from Mr. McManus to Mr. Bellew."

The City Clerk then read the letter as follows:

February 1, 1951.

M. L. Bellew,
Commissioner of Finance,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that John Walker has been engaged to deliver circular letters to purchasers of Prefabricated Houses. He commenced this work on January 22nd 1951 and he is to be paid on the same basis as when he was formerly employed by the Prefabricated Housing Administration. He will also be entitled to the same car allowance.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus,
ADMINISTRATOR.

Alderman Fox: "Did John Walker get another car allowance from January 22nd on? Did he repay anything?"

Mr. Bellew: "He received a car allowance for 3 months January, February and March. He was not paid any car allowance for April."

Alderman DeWolf: "As Chairman of the Committee I am willing to accept responsibility and I feel that certain responsibilities should be given to the Chairman. I corroborated the appointment of Mr. Walker. He received a bonus as did all the other employees when they were let out. When he left on April 7th. he was paid on April 7th."

Alderman Fox: "Was not John Walker on salary from the 15th. of January to February 15th? He was given a bonus plus a month's car allowance."

Alderman DeWolf: "He was given a bonus the same as other employees when they were let out."

Alderman Fox: "This particular individual was given a month's notice in lieu of quitting and also car allowance. He was hired on January 22nd. and his pay started again."

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Alderman DeWolf: "The reason for delivering those notices is this; if you sent them out by mail you would never hear from them again. We discovered that there are about 50 people living in the houses who are not the original purchasers who thought they could take over the houses on terms which is against the rule laid down by the Committee."

Alderman Fox: "Was not that letter set out in the agreement? It was just a duplication of the work."

Alderman DeWolf: "It was a duplication so it would go to the people who did not know and bought innocently so they would know the original terms of the agreement."

Alderman Duffy: "There are 50 houses to be sold?"

Alderman DeWolf: "There are 50 people in them who have no right to be there as they are not the original purchasers. We have to take it up with them to give them the opportunity to pay cash."

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't think there is very much wrong with the prefab sale. The question of John Walker; I feel kind of bad about it. He was badly in need. I pull no punches on that."

Alderman Fox: "I am not trying to make anything out of it. If this matter had come before the Committee I would have voted for it."

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

CHICKEN KILLING PLANT

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Re Chicken Killing Shed - Bedford Basin

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today the

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following tenders for the erection of a Chicken Killing Shed were opened and considered.

W. G. Foley & Son, Ltd.	\$ 2375.00
Thomas Withers	2075.00
Foundation Maritime, Ltd.	3750.00
R. L. Kaizer, Ltd.	1572.00

The Committee recommended that the lowest tender be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved subject to the approval of the capital borrowing by the Department of Municipal Affairs. Motion passed.

LOAN TO PREFAB PURCHASERS

Alderman Hatfield: "What was done about the loan of \$1,000.00 to the prefab purchasers?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't know why you are bringing that in now. Council has made policy."

Alderman Hatfield: "They are phoning me."

His Worship the Mayor: "We will definitely deal with it in May. This is only Ward politics. You better get over it."

Alderman Hatfield: "I would like to have it answered tonight."

His Worship the Mayor: "It can't be answered tonight."

Alderman DeWolf: "That is another reason why there should be a meeting of the prefab committee to consider this. People will want to know as early as they can about making arrangements to put in their foundations. We will have to make new agreements. It will require quite a bit of detail. Each owner will have to come in with 15% in cash and sign a new agreement. The meeting should be called before the end of the month to deal with it."

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SMOKE NUISANCE EXHIBITION BUILDING

Alderman MacMillan: "The Exhibition Building is creating a nuisance to the citizens in that community and vicinity. There are times when the streets are enveloped in smoke. Alderman DeWolf told me that the Forum Commission is going to put in an oil furnace as soon as it is opportune. That does not clear up the 3 other buildings. I am going to urge that one of the Departments, the Building Inspector deal with it and if he will not deal with it then I want the Solicitor to write to the occupants to change the fuel or make some provision for a smoke arrester. Five people called me within 20 minutes asking that something be done. Something must be done. It is terrific. We must deal with 3 different parties. If that is settled I have another matter."

SIDEWALK S/S ALMON BY ARDMORE SCHOOL

Alderman MacMillan: "Almon Street is in the process of improvement. Traffic on that street has increased tremendously. We have installed traffic lights at the corner of Windsor and Almon Sts. which substantiates that. The sidewalk is to be laid all the way through to the Westmount subdivision except for the block in front of the school. I have a letter and petition signed by 20 abutters. They were not aware that they had to put in a petition to have that work completed. I feel, in the interests of practical economy, that while the rest is being done, the job should be completed."

It was agreed that the Commissioner of Works place this on the order paper.

PUBLIC USE OF SCHOOL GYMNASIUMS

Alderman Hatfield submitted and read a brief on the use of school gymnasiums by the public and suggested that the matter be given consideration.

Alderman Hatfield: "We have gone a bit overboard on the

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construction of gymnasiums in localities close together. I think we have to consider whether we are going along with the School Board if they are going to be used to capacity."

His Worship the Mayor: "We commend Alderman Hatfield for his presentation of the case. The Alderman can take that to the Board of School Commissioners and sell them the idea. I think the Council would agree to you (Alderman Hatfield) selling that to the Board."

The suggestion of His Worship the Mayor was then approved.

PURCHASE OF PROPERTIES BRUNSWICK STREET

Alderman Fox: "I would like to know something on the legality of spending \$10,500.00 from the Post War Fund to buy properties 169-171-173-175 Brunswick St. I have all the matters here dealing with these properties. I cannot find one word in any meeting where any person or Alderman made any suggestion as to why they were bought. Before this Council on a two-third vote, the diagonal street was turned down. I would like to ask Mr. Bethune if it is a legal transaction to pay \$10,500.00 out of the Post War Fund without some specific policy being laid down first by Council. In this case the cart is ahead of the horse."

His Worship the Mayor: "You were not in Council before when Council set up a Housing Authority to explore the matter of slum clearance at which time the diagonal street was the prime thing we were working on. They went to Montreal and Toronto and studied the situation. We went to the Provincial Government and we had the go signal from the Dominion Government."

Alderman Fox then read an extract from the Council minutes dealing with this matter.

Alderman Fox: "It certainly should be stated what the properties were bought for. I would like to have a ruling from Mr. Bethune if it is a legal transaction."

City Solicitor: "I have to assume that this place was within the boundaries or would be injuriously affected by the installation of a diagonal street."

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City Solicitor: "I have to assume that this place was within the boundaries or would be injuriously affected by the installation of a diagonal street."

City Assessor: "Yes it was."

City Solicitor: "The Council sometime ago adopted an Official Town Plan on which this diagonal street was shown." He then read a section from the Town Planning Act for the information of the Alderman and continued. "If that land purchased was in the way of the diagonal street, the Town Planning Act gives the Council the authority to purchase that land. The expenditure of Post War Funds on that land would come under section 5 of section 24 page 46 of the Acts of 1944."

He then read the section.

"This matter came before the Council in April 1950, page 245 of the Minutes. It was decided to purchase. It was before Council May 11th on page 354. The purchase was authorized at that time. Neither of those minutes gives the purpose of the acquisition of the buildings. I believe it was proposed to pay for these buildings under the Municipal Affairs Act. No authorization had been obtained from the Minister of Municipal Affairs at that time and therefore the Council was without funds to carry out the policy. On November 16 it was decided to purchase these lands and pay for them out of the Post War Fund. If the land was required for the purpose of putting through that part of the Official Plan which had been approved by Council, then I think the Council was regarding that as a public work and for that reason it could expend Post War monies as a capital expenditure. The point is that there is nothing stated in the minutes for which these lands are being acquired. That could be an oversight or an omission. The lands lie within the boundaries of the diagonal streets which the Council

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had adopted. I am assuming that that was the purpose for which these lands were acquired."

Alderman Fox: "It is all guess-work for anyone who reads the minutes. There is absolutely nothing in the minutes at all."

His Worship the Mayor: "Council passed a 5 and 10 year plan of development. That item was picked out of the plan and developed and we tried to sell the idea to the Provincial Government, but they did not do anything about it. The intention of buying for slum clearance was very definite."

Alderman Fox: "The Council should have given the go signal first. The property was bought first and the proposition came after."

SMOKE NUISANCE C. N. R.

Read letter from the C. N. R. as follows:

Halifax, N. S.,
March 28th. 1951.

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

Dear Sir:-

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter dated March 27th., relative to black smoke nuisance, and further to mine of December 4th., 1950 in this connection.

The yard engines working at Halifax with the exception of diesel engines, have been equipped with smoke consumers, but as you are aware smoke consumers are not installed on our road engines and there is the possibility that at times some of our employees on the different passenger trains are disregarding the instructions and are allowing engines to exhaust black smoke; however, a constant check is being kept and when we locate offenders of this rule we assess discipline in each case. Of course these are man failures and you can rest assured that everything is being done to remedy these conditions.

Yours truly,

H. A. Pickering,
Superintendent.

Alderman DeWolf: "Mr. Pickering called me and he suggested that any resident who found that he was troubled by smoke nuisance, if he would make a note of the time and get in touch with Mr. Pickering or his Department that they could find out who was the

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cause of the trouble because there is no need for smoke nuisance within the City boundaries."

APPROVAL BY-LAW REPLOTTING LOT #4 CITY OF HALIFAX
SUBDIVISION AT RAINNIE DRIVE AND BRUNSWICK STREET

Halifax, March 22, 1951.

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

Dear Sir:- Re: By-Law re replotting Lot #4 City of Halifax
subdivision at Rainnie Drive and Brunswick Street

I enclose herewith copy of the above by-law on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated. Also enclosed is a copy of the plan respecting the above by-law.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley,
Deputy Minister.

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APPROVAL BORROWING \$80,000.00 DEBENTURES

Halifax, March 16, 1951.

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

Dear Sir:- Re: Borrowing \$80,000 for the purpose of retiring
debentures maturing January 2, 1951.

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

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley,
Deputy Minister.

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APPROVAL REZONING EAST SIDE CREIGHTON STREET
BETWEEN BLACK AND NORTH STREETS

Halifax, March 16, 1951.

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

Dear Sir: Re: Zoning By-Law - East side of Creighton
Street between Black and North Streets-Halifax

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I enclose for your records copy of the above by-law on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley,
Deputy Minister.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT HALIFAX FORUM COMMISSION

Alderman Vaughan: "Can the Chairman tell us if the operating surplus was \$2,000.00?"

Alderman DeWolf: "The operating profit was around \$25,000.00 but we had to use \$22,500.00 for the interest and debt service retirement charges leaving \$2,500.00 profit."

Alderman Vaughan: "The accounts payable are \$45,000.00."

Alderman DeWolf: "That might be capital accounts. There was no lack of funds to pay the accounts. They were rendered in January for the month preceding."

Alderman Vaughan: "In other years the Forum showed a profit of \$14,000.00. Did that take into account the capital borrowing?"

Alderman DeWolf: "They were not as large at that time. It was about \$2,000.00 or \$3,000.00 at that time. They were very small. In the early years there would be nothing showing for debt service charges."

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

HONORARIUM SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

No report was submitted.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 P. M. to reconvene on Thursday, April 19, 1951 at 8 P. M.

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

Gordon S. Kihley
Gordon S. Kihley,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

EVENING SESSION
ADJOURNED MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 19, 1951,
8:00 P. M.

Council reconvened the following members being present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

RENTAL CONTROLS

His Worship the Mayor stated that as it was Council's desire to give everyone a chance to speak, he urged that the time limit for each speaker be 5 minutes and not more than 10 minutes. He said he was going to hand over the procedure to the City Solicitor who had drafted the By-Law and Resolution. He felt that the members of Council would be able to arrive at a decision from what they heard tonight.

The City Solicitor then outlined the events which led up to the present time and explained the principle of the By-Law. He suggested that those in favor of Rent Control speak first and then those who wished to have no controls.

Mr. Fred Ibsen representing the Halifax District Trades & Labor Council was first to speak in favor of continuing Rent Control. He stated the organization represented 35,000 people who were rent payers. He suggested that the City continue some form of control of rents. He stated there should be some control to equalize the distribution between rents of \$110.00 and \$65.00 per month.

The City Solicitor asked Mr. Ibsen if he felt that April 30th. rents could be a starting off point and asked him the following question.

Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (1) and (2) of Section 9, the Rental Authority may, upon the application of a landlord or tenant, vary the maximum rental to be charged

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for any housing accommodation and may fix the same at such an amount, which, in the opinion of the Rental Authority, will yield a fair return to the landlord based upon the cost of land, labour and materials and the rate of municipal taxes imposed in respect of the said housing accommodation at the date of such application.

Mr. Ibsen: "Provided the landlord was getting a fair return."

The Solicitor asked Mr. Ibsen if he felt that rents should be rolled back if the landlord were getting a far greater return to which Mr. Ibsen replied in the affirmative and further stated that every rent in existence should be subject to review by the Rental Authority.

Mr. F. D. Nichol representing the Canadian Congress of Labor stated he was representing 8000 people and they were concerned about the Rental Controls. He said the workers could not pay anymore rent and therefore they would be evicted. He advocated that the City definitely enter the rental control field. He said the Federal Government's administrators were available. He pointed out that Bill 118 provided that the City could enter the low cost multiple housing field whereby the Federal Government would assist financially on a basis of 75% to 25%. He urged (1) Rental Control at today's rents and (2) The City put up low cost multiple housing units.

The City Solicitor asked Mr. Nichol the same question that was put to Mr. Ibsen.

Mr. Nichol stated that it was an unfair question and that his organization felt rents were high enough.

Mr. David McLellan was the next speaker who said he represented himself. He said that rents could be no more controlled than sin, sex, murder etc. If rents were to come down more houses would have to be built. He said that he was not in favor of the By-Law because it would not be effective.

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Mr. K. Green representing the Halifax District Trades & Labor Council stated he was in favor of rental control. He said if rents went any higher people would have to cut down on food and clothing. He said that there was absolutely no difference between a bank lending him \$10,000.00 and a landlord building a rental unit. He felt that the landlord should not be able to charge any more than the interest on the loan.

City Solicitor: "After paying his expenses you mean."

Mr. Green: "Yes."

The City Solicitor then read a redraft of subsection 3 of section 9 of the By-Law and asked what he thought of it.

Mr. Green said he would not want to answer until he had studied it.

City Solicitor: "The second best would be to freeze rents as of April 30, 1951. If the Council decided to put in rent control they could put in the freeze."

Mr. Green: "Yes. We have asked that if a Committee is set up that labor be represented on it."

Ex-Mayor Lloyd stated that he was opposed to the City of Halifax isolating itself from the rest of Canada and also opposed to the City freezing anything at any particular point. He said the City should set up a By-Law which would enable it to set up a Board that would take into consideration today's costs and deal with increased costs of operating rented properties without freezing it at any point for any property. He mentioned that some rented properties were taxed at \$8.10 rate and others were taxed at \$3.50. He said there should be some Board to prevent high and abusive rents and did not want to see the City put in freezing controls when there is no freezing on anything else. He finalized by saying that Council should set up a Board with sufficient power to exercise reasonable judgment in determining rentals and not fix it at any particular rate.

After the City Solicitor read a redraft of subsection 3

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of section 9 he asked Mr. Lloyd how he felt about it.

Mr. Lloyd replied that he liked the principle.

Mr. E. Rafuse stated that he was against rent control. He said that the most essential things in life were food, clothing and shelter and that prices on everything had gone up. He suggested controlling food clothing etc. if rents were to be controlled and asked why rents should be discriminated against. He felt that it was not fair to penalize one class of people. He finalized by stating that rent control should definitely be out.

Mr. J. K. Bell of the Canadian Congress of Labor urged that rent control be continued as there was unemployment in this City and a lot of part time workers.

He suggested that the City take advantage of the legislation to erect low cost multiple housing units with the Federal Government putting up 75% of the capital cost.

Mr. Bell was satisfied if the rent remained as at present and if no rent control were put in that low cost housing units be built.

Mr. Grimshaw stated that rental control should be put into effect and that the rents now in effect be given an inspection by a Board to be set up.

Mr. F. W. Bissett stated he represented a group who did not want rent control. He submitted and read a brief in support of same.

He stated that a freeze of rents would be something most unjust and unfair.

Mr. W. F. Healy stated he was against rent controls. He said if the City built houses rents would go down and if rents were controlled everything should be

Mr. E. F. Cragg stated he represented landlords who were against the By-Law as drafted. He said that both the Federal and Provincial Governments had dropped rent control and that Dartmouth and the County of Halifax had decided to stay out of

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the rental field and if the City of Halifax adopted rent controls it would be a partial control. He finalized by saying that his clients were against any form of rent control.

The City Solicitor asked Mr. Cragg what he thought of the redraft of subsection 3 of section 9 of the By-Law.

Mr. Cragg stated that not many people would build or buy houses for rent if a Board or some Authority sets what it calls a fair return. He stated that 15% was needed to make a go of it.

Mr. W. A. Gates stated he was definitely against rent control and said that both the County of Halifax and the Town of Dartmouth dropped the matter of rent control. He felt that if rents were controlled everything should be controlled at the Federal Government level.

He cited a rental case of his own to show the inequity of the Dominion Rental Laws and stated that he as a landlord had suffered under controls since January 2, 1940 and that he paid his taxes at the \$8.10 rate.

The City Solicitor put the question to Mr. Gates as he did with previous speakers but Mr. Gates did not give a decided answer.

Mr. Dunlop addressed Council as a landlord and stated the Rental Act was unworkable as eviction control was not in the Bill and eviction control was required more than rent control. He said if the City embarked on rent control he did not know if it would be able to get out of it later on. He suggested a freeze for 3 months and that a survey of the City be undertaken but no Board be set up.

Mr. H. S. Lamb addressed Council and stated he was one of the largest individual property owners in the City and that he paid very extensive taxes. He stated that taxes and assessments had gone up and as a result the tenants were paying the extra burden but if the City reduced the tax rate his rents would go down.

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He said he was interested in new construction and was not opposed to control on same.

The City Solicitor read the redraft of subsection 3 of section 9. He referred to a statement made earlier in the meeting that a landlord's net return should be the same as interest on money borrowed from the bank and asked Mr. Lamb if he agreed with that.

Mr. Lamb replied in the negative and mentioned a figure as previously stated by Alderman Hatfield that he would have to make 10 or 15% but that he would be satisfied with 10%. He said there should be some control to bring the rents back. He finalized by saying that he should be at least able to take advantage of the rent increases previously allowed by the Dominion Rental Law but which he had not as yet done so. If he were permitted to do that he would have no complaint.

Mr. A. A. Robertson stated that he did not think it was the function of the City to take on rent control. He stated that materials have doubled since 1939 and that the Union of N. S. Municipalities should hand the matter back to the Provincial Government. He felt that if rent controls were continued there would be a lot of discontent. He finalized by stating that a property owner paid the value of his property to the City in taxes 12 years and that should be considered.

Mr. W. A. Russell stated that he was against rent control and submitted a brief in support of same. He said that if rent control came off he would be glad to change his attitude toward public housing as landlords had lost all interest in private housing for rents.

The City Solicitor questioned Mr. Russell on the paragraph referring to a fair return to landlords and asked him his opinion.

Mr. Russell stated that he was against any Board or Controls. He said he resented being told who may and who may not come in his front door and that a landlord should be able

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to take a matter to a higher court than the County Court Judge.

City Solicitor: "To get it to a Court it would have to go through a Rental Authority."

Mr. Russell: "Then I am against it. Let us have a free market. In 3 months time you will not hear anything about high rent. It is all wrong. It won't work. We have to pay the expenses for administering this creature you are going to build up."

Mr. Raymond Ferguson stated that he had built new buildings and the rents for same were not excessive and that if controls were put on it would stop all new conversions. He said if new property were controlled it would stifle it completely as the landlords can't keep absorbing tax increases. He also stated that room rents should be set in proportion to the whole property as some people are making a small business out of it.

Mrs. S. Goodman stated he was against rent control as taxes and assessments had increased on many properties he looked after.

The City Solicitor asked Mr. Goodman if he thought there should be two classes of property one under control and the other not to which Mr. Goodman replied in the negative and said there should be no form of control.

Mr. Campbell who was a tenant stated that he was looking for a place to rent and that he knew of a place on Starr Street for \$65.00. He said that if rent control came off there would be a lot of tents on the commons.

Mr. Andrew Mathews stated that many houses today were occupied by servicemen and for that reason the Dominion Government should put up housing for such the same as was done in British Columbia. He suggested representation be made to the Federal Government to get action on same. He urged that nothing be done to discourage private enterprise in the further development of houses.

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The City Clerk then read the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Halifax that a Rental Authority be set up under an appropriate by-law to be prepared and submitted to the City Council for the purpose of controlling rents and tenancies within the City of Halifax under the authority of The Housing and Rentals Act enacted by the Legislature of Nova Scotia in 1951.

Moved by Alderman Moriarty that Council defer this matter for one week.

His Worship the Mayor stated that a motion had been made at the previous Council meeting.

Alderman Vaughan: "There was no formal motion made by any member of Council."

His Worship the Mayor: "I disagree with you."

Alderman Fox: "There was no motion in Council."

Alderman Abbott: "It was my understanding that the meeting was adjourned to hold a public hearing but there was no motion before Council."

Alderman DeWolf: "The hearing was to get the opinion of the public as a whole. I don't know yet whether we should have rent control."

His Worship the Mayor: "What are we going to do?"

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that this meeting adjourn.

His Worship the Mayor: "Adjourn the meeting for what."

Alderman Adams: "For another meeting to be called by the Mayor."

Alderman Hatfield: "The matter is at stake. If you can decide to put in rent control you will only have one or two days to put it in."

Alderman Fox: "I would like to hear from the Mayor if he is in favor of rent control."

His Worship the Mayor: "That is not for me. I want the

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Council to decide that. I tell you this motion was moved and seconded last week. Alderman Breen asked me if we could vote on it. The minutes are not correct.

Alderman Vaughan: "If you have knowledge of the resolution would you be good enough to tell us the mover and seconder."

His Worship the Mayor: "I want the Clerk to tell me that."

Alderman Vaughan: "I have the greatest confidence in the ability of the Clerk to record the minutes correctly."

His Worship the Mayor then said the meeting was adjourned and started to leave the Council Chamber.

It was then moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the motion be now put.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald

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Meeting adjourned.

AGAINST IT

Alderman Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

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