

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY,
DEC. 13, 1951 8 P.M.

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EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
December 13, 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, Lane, Abbott, Adams, Macdonald, Donahoe, 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 Abbott, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

Alderman Vaughan stated that as the above matter was receiving its third reading at Ottawa, every indication is that the seaway will be passed and the Maritimes would benefit in some indirect way. He asked for permission to withdraw his motion. This was agreed to.

8:05 P. M. Alderman Breen arrives.

PUBLIC HEARING LOT CARTARET ST.

The City Clerk read the advertisement inserted in the press advising of this hearing.

Mr. C. C. Keyes appeared in opposition to amending the Zoning By-Law for the modification of the lot on Cartaret St. He also submitted a petition against the application which was

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signed by 20 residents in the area.

Mr. R. A. Kanigsberg, K.C., addressed the Council on behalf of the owner of the lot and said that the owner of the lot before he purchased it went to the Building Inspector and advised what his plans were and acting on the advice he had received purchased the lot. He then received the building permit and proceeded to excavate when a petition was circulated against it. He said the principle ground upon which any object could rest would be that the lot does not meet with the requirements of the Town Planning Act and if the lot had a frontage of 50 feet and the square area it would not make one iota of difference if there were 10,000 petitions against it, it would still go through because it would meet with the requirements. He stated the people should have objected when the lot was first zoned. His client had gone ahead on the strength of the permit being issued and Mr. Bates had re-surveyed the lot and it was his opinion that it had a 50 foot frontage. The lot was a little short in the total area required by about 150 or 200 sq. ft. and that it was up to the Council to decide whether or not the permit would be stopped. He said there were 24 or 25 cases that have gone through where houses have not complied with the Town Planning Act. He took issue with Mr. Keyes when he said the building was a double duplex. He advised that it was a multiple dwelling and as such the provisions of the act called for a 50 foot frontage and not 80. It would meet the needs of housing in the City and would bear taxes for the City.

Alderman Moriarty: "As a representative of Ward One, I would like to say that the people in that area are very proud of their homes and surroundings. I venture to say that when the party who sold the lot to the present owner knew the facts of the type of housing that he was going to build on the site, it would not be discussed here tonight before Council. My learned friend said there were 24 houses built in the City without comment. 24 wrongs don't make a right. If the Building Inspector made a mistake and granted

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a permit to build a house on a lot not large enough to cover the Act, he made a mistake. I think the people are well within their rights to ask the protection of this Council to keep their locality and street in the condition they would like to have it. He also quoted Mr. Bates. That is only his opinion; one man. I think it is the duty of this Council to protect the residential area of the South end."

Alderman Lane to Mr. Kanigsberg: "Your client has not proceeded with the plan other than the excavating and retaining wall. It would still be possible for him to build a single family dwelling without any loss?"

Mr. Kanigsberg: "I don't think so."

Alderman Lane: "I think the average contractor could build a single family dwelling in that area without financial loss."

Mr. F. Sievert, a resident in the area, stated he lived next door to the lot and he had a plan which stated that the lot showed a frontage of $49\frac{1}{2}$ feet. He wondered if Mr. Bates were able to give a certificate to the owner as to the frontage. He said the value of the houses would depreciate if this 5 family building were built. There would be no privacy at all.

Mr. M. White stated that his property ran into the rear of this lot. He said there would be a lot of cars around, garbage cans and clothes lines and that there are no apartments similar to this one proposed to be built.

Mrs. Lowe stated that the Building Inspector was told he made a mistake in granting the permit and if the residents could rely on the Council it should not allow such a mistake to occur.

Alderman Donahoe requested a ruling as to what the frontage was, 50 or 80.

The City Solicitor read Part 5 of the Zoning By-Law for the information of the Council. He said in this area the following buildings may be erected: duplex, double duplex and 3 story

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dwellings but with respect to Section 3 of Part 5 there is no reference to lot requirements for 3 story dwellings. A duplex must have a frontage of 50 ft. and an area of 7000 sq. ft., double duplexes must have a frontage of 80 ft. and an area of 10,000 sq. ft. Using the definitions it is found that a double duplex must have an independent entrance to each house. He also said a double duplex is two attached duplex dwelling houses and that does not seem to be what a 3 story dwelling would be. In his opinion the proposed building was neither a duplex or a double duplex and that there is a vacancy in the lot requirements for the building proposed.

Mr. Day, Building Inspector, said that plans were submitted and he contended that the building was neither a duplex or a double duplex and that it was more in the line of a duplex as it is divided horizontally. He also contended that the lot requirements would be 50 ft. frontage and 7000 sq. ft. area. He also said he believed it was his duty to interpret the By-Law.

City Solicitor: "If there is no lot requirements to cover this type of building, I can't interpret anything. That is my difficulty."

Alderman Donahoe: "Does the Building Inspector say this is a 3 story building?"

Mr. Day: "Yes."

City Solicitor: "That excludes it from being a duplex and a double duplex. There is no lot frontage or area provided for a 3 story dwelling containing not more than 4 apartments exclusive of janitor's quarters."

Alderman Donahoe: "It contains 5 apartments. Would you say it could be built in an R-2 Zone at all?"

City Solicitor: "It says it can." He then read from the By-Law for the information of Council.

Mr. Day: "The contractor informed me that the 5th apartment is for the janitor. I can quite understand the residents concern over this building. To my knowledge nobody has seen the plan of

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the building until today when the Solicitor came in."

Moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Lane that no modification be made to the lot frontage and lot area requirements in the R-2 Zone of the Zoning By-Law.

Mr. G. T. Bates advised Council that he had a plan and the description of the lot regarding the frontage was ambiguous as two interpretations could be put on it. Lot 32 is 33 ft. wide and Lot 30 is 34 ft. wide. The words "more or less" did not appear in the description, but it referred to all of one lot and half of the other. He said he had interpreted the description as a Provincial Land Surveyor and he had certified to Mr. Kanigsberg that in his opinion the lot had a frontage of 50 ft. There was no description as such of the property immediately adjoining the lot in question to the north and that while he could not prove there should be 50 ft. neither could anyone else prove he was wrong when he said there was.

His Worship the Mayor: "Is there a City subdivision plan of that area and what is its value?"

Mr. Bates: "It was made in the 1800's and it should be among the records at City Hall."

Mr. Snook: "I was unable to find that lot in the Draughting Room files, but I found one in the Registry of Deeds and it showed as Mr. Bates has said."

Mr. White: "When the lot was sold it was shown as 49½ feet."

City Solicitor: "This appears to be in the nature of an apartment house. Has a permit been given for this Mr. Day.?"

Mr. Day: "Apartment houses are not allowed there. I pointed out accommodation would be for cars on this lot."

City Solicitor: "This permit was for an apartment house? Actually it is an apartment house."

Mr. Day: "I am defining it as it says here."

City Solicitor: "The Council has nothing to do with the Building Permit. In my judgment it is an apartment house and

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there should be provision made for complying with the section dealing with accommodation for passenger vehicles. I can't find that there is any limit for the lot or the area for a 3 story dwelling containing not more than 4 apartments exclusive of janitor's quarters. It is a third type of building for which no lot frontage has been fixed and no lot area has been established."

Mr. Kanigsberg: "May we have an interpretation of a 3 story building?"

Mr. Day: "The Charter does say that in the space from the floor to the roof will be called a story."

His Worship the Mayor: "Whether it is used or not?"

Mr. Day: "That is right."

Alderman Abbott suggested that a compromise might be arrived at and that the owner might be agreed to put up a duplex. "Perhaps we could find out from the residents and Mr. Kanigsberg. There would only be 2 families and 2 cars. If we cancelled the permit now out and issued a new one for a duplex it could not be added to."

His Worship the Mayor: "Transactions have been entered into in good faith. I am trying to get the Solicitor to give us a lead."

Alderman Donahoe: "This building is not a duplex nor double duplex. It is a dwelling containing apartments which would come within the definition of dwellings to be built in the R-2 Zone, but it would come within the general definition of an apartment. If that is so it could not be put in an R-2 Zone at all. We are definitely told that it is a 3 story dwelling containing 4 apartments and janitor's quarters. The Solicitor says there is no provision in the Zoning By-Law for frontage and lot area. We do not know what area is required for this particular building. It would be reasonable to assume that the area required for a building of this type would be at least equal to a double duplex. I would like to say that in my opinion that if this building is to be

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continued in its present form, I think this Council ought not to allow the exception. I would vote in favor of allowing a set of flats to be erected."

Alderman Breen: "What is the position of the City regarding the permit that has been issued?"

City Solicitor: "That type of permit could be legally issued by the Inspector but it would leave the person who received that permit in a position where it would be of no use to him because the provisions of the Zoning By-Law would have to be enforced as it would prevent the operation of the Building Inspector's permit. The fact that it was issued does not give the holder of that permit the right to exercise it if to exercise it violates the By-Law. I do not understand whether there is any application for garage facilities required for an apartment house. If that is the case the Building permit might be defective. That is a matter for the Building Inspector to take up."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the matter be deferred for one month and that full information be made available on all phases of the application.

Alderman Lane: "Do I understand the Solicitor to say that Council has no control of permits issued?"

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

Alderman Lane: "It does not make any allowance for human error on his part?"

Mr. Day: "There is an appeal before the Committee on Works."

City Solicitor: "There is no appeal to the Committee on Works."

Mr. Day: "There is an appeal on my decision in respect to the appearance or design of a house."

Alderman Fox: "We should take the Solicitor's opinion on this over everybody."

His Worship the Mayor wanted to know if Mr. Kanigsberg's

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client would not go ahead with construction until Council told him what he could do.

City Solicitor: "I don't believe Mr. Kanigsberg's client has any grounds for action."

The amendment was then put and 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 \$30,990.82; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$2,754.43 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$35,823.96 chargeable to Fire Dept.; \$32,988.28 chargeable to Police Dept.; the Committee on Public Health and Welfare amounting to \$44,565.20 chargeable to Health Dept.; \$18,369.82 chargeable to City Home and \$4,681.24 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$59,184.27; the Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$1,361.72; the Housing Accommodation Committee amounting to \$5,523.64; the Recreation Committee amounting to \$1,724.70 and the Prefab Housing Committee amounting to \$69,052.60 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

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

ACCOUNT SPECIAL ITEM

Hallifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date, approved and recommended for payment an account of Stevenson & Kellogg, Limited amounting to the sum of \$866.30 for professional services rendered during the month of November 1951 re City Manager.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS SPECIAL ITEMS

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held
on the above date, the following accounts were approved and recom-
mended for payment:

Nova Scotian Hotel	\$ 1,336.00
Henry Birks & Sons	637.55
Dupli-Type Specialties	305.13
Halifax Herald Ltd.	570.24
Allen Print Ltd.	429.32
Bookshelf Bindery, Ltd.	386.90
Lowe-Martin Co. Ltd.	225.00
H. H. Marshall, Ltd.	358.74
The Book Room Limited	2,036.82

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

OVERTIME ROYAL VISIT

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held
on the above date, a report was submitted from the Safety Committee
respecting overtime duties performed by the members of the Police
Department during the Royal Visit.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$1,460.55 be
provided under the authority of Section 316 C of the City Charter
to pay for the overtime, and that the appropriation for the Royal
Visit be increased by this amount.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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SUB-APPROPRIATION CITY HOME

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report was submitted from the Public Health and Welfare Committee recommending that a sub-appropriation of \$4,000.00 be provided for the City Home under the authority of Section 316C of the City Charter to take care of expenditures for the maintenance of patients at the Nova Scotia Hospital.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

APPROPRIATION EQUIPMENT NEW POLICE STATION

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report was submitted from the Safety Committee recommending that a sum not exceeding \$1,000.00 be provided from the Capital Borrowing of \$13,000.00 for the purpose of purchasing certain articles for the new Police Station.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

INJURY TO CST. THOMAS McNEIL

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the Safety Committee submitting a cheque of the Ocean Accident and Guarantee Corporation amounting to \$60.71 covering loss of time for Constable Thomas McNeil who was injured while on duty, was considered.

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Your Committee recommends that the cheque be accepted, and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute a release on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

RENTAL AUTHORITY LEASE

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the Rental Authority submitting a lease between Samuel W. Ferguson and The City of Halifax for the rental of premises presently occupied by the Rental Authority in the Pentagon Building was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAX CERTIFICATES

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting Tax Certificates was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved and authority granted to issue certificates to all who request them.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Finance and Executive Committee,
City of Halifax,
CITY HALL.

Gentlemen: TAX CERTIFICATES

I would suggest that the matter of extending the sale of tax certificates under authority of Section 434 B of the City Charter, receive your consideration. For several years past these certificates have been issued to tax payers who applied to the City Treasurer for them.

The sale of tax certificates suggests itself as a method of encouraging the prepayment of civic taxes during the period January 1st to May 1st each year, that is between the commencement of the civic year and the date on which civic taxes for that year become due and payable, and as a means of providing funds during that period.

The suggested schedule of rates is as follows:

A \$100.00 certificate purchased on or before Jan. 7th, at a	price of \$99.00
A \$100.00 certificate purchased on or before Feb. 6th, at a	price of \$99.25
A \$100.00 certificate purchased on or before Mar. 6th, at a	price of \$99.50
A \$100.00 certificate purchased on or before Apr. 2nd, at a	price of \$99.75

The effective interest rate on a certificate purchased on January 7th, is approximately 3% per annum.

I will be pleased to have your authority to issue certificates to those who request them.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

CLOSING COLLECTOR'S OFFICE JANUARY 2, 3 and 4, 1952

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance requesting permission to close the City Collector's Office to the general public on January 2, 3 and 4, 1952 for the purpose of balancing the tax ledgers as at the close of business December 31, 1951.

Your Committee recommends that permission be granted to

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close the Collector's Office on the above dates for the purpose requested.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAX WRITE-OFFS

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the Commissioner of Finance submitting a list of uncollectible tax accounts totalling the sum of \$11,724.31 was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

CAPITAL BORROWINGS

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

The attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting capital borrowing resolutions was submitted to the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to forward same to Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Finance and Executive Committee,
City of Halifax,
CITY HALL.

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Gentlemen:

I attach herewith, for the information of your Committee and City Council, a statement of Active Borrowing Resolutions on Capital Expenditure amounting to \$6,568,209.30. Of this amount \$2,366,814.28 has been spent as at November 30, 1951. This does not include such amounts as the Prefabricated Housing Programme which is a self-reducing debt.

The amounts shown in this list have yet to be borrowed by way of debenture, and will be included in our next loan.

For your further information, these figures are made up as follows:

	<u>AMOUNT AUTHORIZED</u>	<u>AMOUNT EXPENDED</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
WORKS	\$ 1,353,309.30	\$ 797,509.60	\$ 555,799.70
SCHOOLS	3,870,500.00	1,008,454.13	2,862,065.87
OTHER EXPENDITURES	1,344,400.00	560,870.55	783,529.45
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	\$ 6,568,209.30	\$ 2,366,814.28	\$ 4,201,395.02

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. Bellin,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

LATE MR. DONNELLY

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the matter of superannuation of the late W. H. Donnelly former Wiring Inspector was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that a sum equal to three months salary from August 10, 1951 be paid to the widow of the late Mr. Donnelly and that legislation be obtained enabling the City to pay to Mrs. Donnelly the sum of \$850.75 annually for a period of five years.

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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MUNICIPAL BUILDING FUND GRANT

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached letter from the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs submitting a cheque for the sum of \$150,000.00 as a grant to the City out of the Municipal Building Fund was considered.

Your Committee recommends that a sum sufficient to pay the accounts outstanding for the completion of the auditorium of the Queen Elizabeth High School be provided from this amount and the remainder applied to the costs of erecting other schools in the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Vaughan: "The matter of the Capital School grant came as a result of representations made by yourself (Your Worship) to the Department of Municipal Affairs. It is to be applied to construction now under way or schools already completed. I am fearful that if the City applies this grant to the proposed construction we may close the door on behalf of the City for further grants. We are proposing to erect a new senior high school and I think it is a matter of some consideration for the School Board. I think they are going to approach the Government for a grant. I am suggesting that this balance be ear-marked and applied against the construction of Morris Street school now under construction."

His Worship the Mayor: "That \$150,000.00 was very definitely given and as I understand it it was to assist in the capital cost of schools under construction at that time and completed. I am thinking of the Junior High and Schools in the north end of the City. It was a definite grant for that work. Anything for the future would be new grants. I think we should leave the grant alone and apply it for which it is intended."

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Alderman Vaughan: "The letter from Deputy Minister mentions the Queen Elizabeth High School. We can inform him that the City intends to apply this balance to the Morris Street school capital cost."

His Worship the Mayor: "I want to write that into the tax picture of the City. I think it should be deferred and sent back for further conference."

Alderman Vaughan: "It is for capital cost. It can't be applied to current revenue. It should be applied to the capital cost of the construction of high schools in the City."

His Worship the Mayor: "It is a matter of the autonomy of the Council. It should be used for the carrying charges against education in this City. I think it was discussed with the Minister. I endeavoured to get it to write it into the tax rate."

Alderman Hatfield: "How much has been set aside by the Province towards the grants for schools in the last 2 years?"

City Solicitor: "I understand the \$2,000,000.00 was used up last year and I think there was another \$4,000,000.00."

Alderman Hatfield: "Out of \$6,000,000.00 we get \$150,000.00. It is pretty small."

Alderman Vaughan: "It is our own fault. We can't blame it on the people in Cape Breton. We did not go after it."

His Worship the Mayor: "We went after a very much greater amount and we got \$150,000.00. They refused us the right to write it into the tax rate."

Alderman Hatfield: "You (Your Worship) appointed a Committee and I was on that Committee to go down there. What steps are being taken to approach it now?"

City Solicitor: "I made a report to the Finance and Executive Committee. The money was for construction prior to January 1, 1951. From then on we had nothing. I suggested that we should make up our statement and put it in so we will be in there first."

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Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the balance of the Municipal Grant from the Provincial Government, after deductions have been made for the Queen Elizabeth High School Auditorium overdraft, be applied to the capital cost of the St. Francis School.

His Worship the Mayor: "I am asking that it be deferred until we get a report from the Commissioner of Finance to see whether we have to pay the capital cost up to 1951."

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the matter be deferred for the reasons suggested by His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

BANK INTEREST RATE

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that the rate of interest charged by the Banks on the overdrafts has been increased to 3½% as from June 1, 1951.

It was agreed to forward this information to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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ARBITRATION COMMISSION

Halifax, N.S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a letter from the Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs respecting Arbitration Commission was considered.

In view of the fact that a Committee has been appointed by the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities to discuss the matter with representatives of the Provincial Government it was agreed to recommend that no action be taken at present.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

C. N. R. TAX AGREEMENT

Halifax, N.S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

The attached report from the City Solicitor respecting the C.N.R. Tax Agreement was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

VOTING POLL TAX PAYERS

Halifax, N.S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the City Solicitor respecting the matter of voting by poll tax payers was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that item 11 of the legislation which passed Council at the last regular meeting be not submitted to the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

BOXING DAY

Halifax, N.S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the matter of observing Boxing Day

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was considered, and it was agreed to recommend that a Civic Holiday be observed on Wednesday, December 26, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

GRANT Y. M. C. A.

Halifax, N.S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a request from the Y. M. C. A. to have the grant for Traveller's Aid increased for the current year was considered.

Your Committee recommends that a sum of \$500.00 in addition to that included in this years estimates be provided under the authority of section 316 C of the City Charter. Alderman Breen dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed with Aldermen Breen and DeWolf wishing to be recorded against.

NOVA SCOTIA HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Halifax, N.S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the matter of the collection of accounts for maintenance of patients at the Nova Scotia Hospital, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that these accounts be collected through the Hospital Accounts Department of the City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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CANADIAN MARCH OF DIMES

Halifax, N.S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, it was agreed to recommend for approval a request from the Canadian March of Dimes for permission to place cards on parking meters soliciting for dimes for a two week period, from January 14 to 31, 1952.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

APPOINTMENTS ETC. MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Halifax, N.S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the Halifax Memorial Library Committee under date of December 6, 1951 respecting staff appointments, etc., was considered.

Your Committee makes the following recommendations:-

1. That Miss Ethel Dobson be paid a salary of \$2,200.00 per annum as from date of appointment.
2. That provision be made for the appointment of two full time Clerks Grade 1 to the Circulation Department and the job specifications amended accordingly.
3. That the matter of a request from the Junior League for space in the Library Building for its project of Audio Aids be referred back to the Halifax Memorial Library Committee so that a request on behalf of the National Film Board for space in the Library Building may be considered in conjunction with this request from the Junior League.
4. That the Halifax Memorial Library be closed on the same days that the City Hall is closed during the Christmas Season, Namely Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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SALE OF ASSETS WATER DEPARTMENT

The City Solicitor advised that the Solicitors are prepared to accept the resolution as previously passed the Council and that when the deed is prepared it will be presented to City Council.

GRANT V. O. N.

His Worship the Mayor requested information as to the increase in the grant for the Victorian Order of Nurses and was informed by Alderman Vaughan that the Finance and Executive Committee had turned the request down.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

December 3, 1951.

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

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

CITY HOME

J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd.	\$ 1,653.48
J. & M. Murphy, Limited	1,137.48
Nova Scotia Hospital	1,412.99
T. Hogan and Company	229.07
Howard's Limited	843.43
Claytons Limited	276.25

INFECTIOUS DISEASE HOSPITAL

Howard's Limited	406.37
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TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Howard's Limited	1,569.03
Cogswell's Photo Supplies Ltd.	659.22

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N.S.,
December 6, 1951.

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

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

Citadel Motors Limited	\$649.48
Imperial Oil Limited	482.91

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS CAR FIRE ALARM TELEGRAPH DEPT.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 6, 1951.

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

The Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date, considered tenders for the supply of a $\frac{1}{2}$ -ton panel truck to the Fire Alarm Telegraph Department from the following:

<u>FIRM</u>	<u>MODEL</u>	<u>PRICE</u>
Atlantic Chev-Olds. Ltd.	1952 Chev.....	\$ 2,274.90
	Less Trade in	395.00
	NET PRICE	\$ 1,879.90
Universal Sales Ltd.	1951 Ford	\$ 2,066.81
	Less Trade in	800.00
	NET PRICE	\$ 1,266.81
A. E. Fowles Ltd.	1951 Mercury	\$ 2,209.47
	Less Trade in	950.00
	NET PRICE	\$ 1,259.47
Hfx. Motors Ltd.	1952 Dodge	\$ 2,267.45
	Less Trade in	700.45
	NET PRICE	\$ 1,567.00
Purdy Motors Ltd.	1952 Fargo	\$ 2,088.00
	Less Trade in	588.00
	NET PRICE	\$ 1,500.00
Citadel Motors Ltd.	1951 G. M. C.	\$ 2,168.60
	Less Trade in	618.60
	NET PRICE	\$ 1,550.00

Your Committee recommends that the tender of A. E. Fowles Limited, being the lowest, be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

RELEASE DAMAGES TO PUMPER

Halifax, N. S.,
December 6, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Chief of the Fire Department recommending acceptance of an offer of Lewis & Dunlop Limited, to settle a claim for damages caused to a pumper involved in an accident on September 19, 1951, for the sum of \$69.55.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a release on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

PURCHASE OF RADIO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
December 6, 1951.

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

The Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date, agreed to recommend the purchase of a radio for the Fire Prevention car from the Canadian Marconi Company, for the sum of \$620.00, plus an installation charge of \$15.00; funds for this purpose to be provided from the current estimates of the Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

CITY OF HALIFAX Vs. ROBB

Halifax, N. S.,
December 6, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, a report from the City Solicitor recommending that action be taken against one Barry S. Robb to recover damages amounting

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to \$303.60, caused to a car of the Police Department, which was involved in an accident at the corner of Quinpool Road and Vernon Street on January 1, 1951, was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

December 7th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 4th the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:-

Department of Highways	\$ 995.17
Hill Heating and Service Company	655.00
Halifax Forum Commission	3,205.65
The Sheridan Nurseries Ltd.	1,294.00
Royal Bank of Canada Acct. John Tanner	2,887.50
S. P. Zive and Son Ltd.	1,175.86
Standard Clay Products Ltd.	2,252.58

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. Motion passed.

STREET LIGHTING

December 3rd, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 27th the attached report from the Deputy City Electrician recommending that the present street lights on Allen Street be replaced with new fixtures, using the same C. P. lamps with two additional lights, at an installation cost of \$675.16, to be charged to Capital Borrowing of \$65,000.00, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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Street Lighting - Mumford Road

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 4th, a report from the Deputy Commissioner of Works recommending that the present lights on Mumford Road, from Dutch Village Road to Chebucto Road, be replaced with new fixtures using the same C. P. Lamps with four additional lights, at an approximate cost of \$1,423.56, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

December 10th, 1951.

Re Street Lighting - Hanover Street

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today the attached report from the City Electrician recommending that three 250 C. P. Lights be installed on Hanover Street at an approximate cost of \$243.72, was approved and recommended 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 Macdonald
that the reports be approved. Motion passed.

ILLUMINATED SIGNS

December 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today, a report from the Building Inspector recommending that the following Illuminated Signs be allowed to be installed, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption;

84 Spring Garden Road
Royal Bank of Canada

\$13.20

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66 Argyle St. Town & Country Real Estate	\$ 5.00
155 Kempt Road E. L. Ruddy	5.00
6 Chebusto Road, Imperial Oil Ltd.	5.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

CITADEL HILL HISTORIC SITE

December 7, 1951.

Re: Halifax Citadel Historic Site

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on December 4th, considered the attached report from the Commissioner of Works in regard to the Department of Historic Sites at Ottawa taking over the Town Clock and certain lands bordering the Clock, and the possibility of action being taken within the next two or three years to remove the Emergency Shelter buildings along that portion of Sackville Street.

The Committee approved the report and recommended that the houses be removed in three years time.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

PER J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

December 3rd, 1951.

Re: Halifax Citadel Historic Site

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

Gentlemen:-

In addition to taking over the Citadel Hill as a National Historic site, the Department at Ottawa are prepared to take over the Town Clock and certain land bordering the Clock; and also requested that they take over the triangular plot of land bordering Brunswick Street and the southern side of Rainnie Drive, as shown cross-hatched on Plan #QQ-4-11990. This matter was discussed at a previous meeting of the Town Planning Board, and was approved in principal.

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My reason for again bringing the matter up is that I feel it should go through the Committee on Works for their approval, and then to be passed on to Council for final approval.

The Historic Sites Department have also requested that the City consider the possibility of action being taken, within the next two or three years, to widen Sackville Street and to remove the Emergency Shelter Buildings along that portion of Sackville Street. This is a matter for the Committee to decide before any action and reply may be taken.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

DAMAGE CITY HALL FURNACE

December 10th, 1951.

Re: Payment of Claim for Damage - City Hall Furnace

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today, checks totalling \$725.00, covering the appraised value of damage to the Furnace at City Hall on October 8th, 1951, were submitted and recommended to City Council for acceptance and endorsement by the Mayor and City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

APPOINTMENT ASSISTANT TO SUPERINTENDENT FAIRVIEW CEMETERY

December 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held today, concurred in the recommendation of Mr. Stairs and the Commissioner of Works that Mr. Harvey Smith be appointed Assistant to the Superintendent of Fairview Cemetery at a maximum salary of \$2,400.00 per year.

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

December 13, 1951.

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

SEWER EXTENSION KEMPT ROAD

November 30th, 1951.

Re: Sewer Extension - Kempt Road

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 27th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works, recommending that Sewer extension be ordered along the new diversion of Kempt Road for a length of 180 feet, at an approximate cost of \$1,800.00, provided the Public Service Commission are prepared to extend the water main around this diversion of Kempt Road, 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.

November 27th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

An application has been received from Mr. J. H. Jacobson, owner of the building occupied by the Pace Equipment Company, Limited, requesting that the sewer be extended along the new diversion of Kempt Road so that his building may be serviced with sewer facilities.

Plan and Profile No. QQ-4-11977 has been prepared showing the proposed sewer extension. The estimated cost for a length of one hundred and eighty (180') feet is approximately \$1,800.00, and the estimated assessment \$350.00.

It is recommended that this sewer extension be ordered provided the Public Service Commission are prepared to extend the water main around this diversion of Kempt Road.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

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SEWER CONNECTIONS D. V. ROAD -- FAIRVIEW AREA

December 3rd, 1951.

Re: Payment by County for Sewer Connections -
Dutch Village Road - Fairview Area

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 27th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works, stating that the cost to be paid by the County has been calculated to be \$19,803.86, plus one-half the cost of sewer maintenance was considered.

The Committee recommended that the original understanding between the County and the City of Halifax be recommended to City Council for ratification, and that the County pay the amount of \$19,803.86, plus a maintenance charge of one per cent per year of the total Capital cost of \$62,604.44, and that an agreement for a three-year period be prepared to contain such terms as may be necessary to complete this agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabear,
CLERK OF WORKS.

November 27th, 1951.

Re: PAYMENT BY COUNTY FOR SEWER CONNECTIONS -
DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD - FAIRVIEW AREA

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

Gentlemen:

Last February a report and plan were submitted, and also the cost that it was thought proper for the County of Halifax to pay to the City in connection with sewer facilities in the Fairview Area of Dutch Village Road. The cost to be paid by the County has been calculated to be \$19,803.86 plus one-half the cost of sewer maintenance.

I have this morning received a letter from the Municipal Clerk and Treasurer stating that the above amount has been approved by the Municipal Council and that the Warden and Clerk of Halifax County have been authorized to enter into an agreement with the City with respect to this sewer.

It is recommended that an agreement be prepared by the City Solicitor's Department to contain such terms as may be deemed proper for this type of an agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

December 13, 1951.

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

The City Clerk advised that Warden Dowell would like to discuss this matter with the Committee on Works again.

Alderman Vaughan: "Has the County authorities seen the document?"

Commissioner of Works: "No, I don't think so. If this went through the Council it would be given to the County and if they were not satisfied with the terms it would come back to the Committee again."

Alderman Vaughan: "Since this is only one item of a vast sewer program in that area. I believe we should pass this motion as being the City's position. If the County wishes to come back on it that is for them to decide."

The motion was then put and passed.

HALIFAX COUNTY CONNECTION TO CITY SEWER SYSTEM INTERSECTION MUMFORD AND DUTCH VILLAGE ROADS

November 30th, 1951.

Re: Request of Halifax County to Connect to
The City Sewer System at the Intersection
of Mumford Road and Dutch Village Road

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 27th, considered a report from the Commissioner of Works in regard to the Municipality of Halifax County being permitted to connect to the City Sewer system at the intersection of Mumford Road and Dutch Village.

The Committee recommended that the County be allowed to connect to the Mumford Road sewer, and that \$12.00 per annum be paid for each connection; the County to be responsible for the billing and collecting of said charges, and that the term of agreement be for the period of three years.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

December 13, 1951.

November 27th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen :-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 15th, a report was submitted stating the amount of \$5.00 per year for each building in the County connecting to the City Sewer System, at the intersection of Mumford Road and Dutch Village Road, was considered. The amount per building of \$5.00 was considered too low and it was suggested that it be brought before the Committee for further consideration and that a representative of the Municipality be asked to sit in with the Committee to discuss this matter.

It has been found that the amount spent by the City on sewer maintenance per annum is approximately \$30,000.00, and it is estimated that this is for approximately Fifteen Thousand (15,000) sewer connections. This would make the average maintenance charge of \$2.00 per connection per year. The cost in the City, based on an interest rate of 4%, for an average fifty (50') foot lot for sewer assessment, would amount to \$10.00 per lot per year. This amount added to the \$2.00 maintenance charge would make an amount of \$12.00 per connection per year.

This is the amount suggested that should be paid by the County for each building connection that may be served by the use of the Mumford Road sewer at the Dutch Village Road intersection.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. HARRIS,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

TENDERS FOR COAL

December 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending acceptance of tenders from S. Cunard and Co. Ltd., and Union Coal Co. Ltd., for the supply of coal for the year 1952, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

December 10th, 1951.

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

December 13, 1951.

Gentlemen:-

Tenders were received for the supply of coal for the year 1952, in response to advertisements published in Halifax newspapers.

Bids were received from Archibald Coal Co. Ltd., Union Coal Co. Ltd., and S. Cunard & Co. Ltd., and all prices quoted are subject to change should mines or freight rates be revised.

The following tenders are recommended:-

S. CUNARD & CO. LTD.

Welsh Anthracite	\$ 30.00
American Anthracite	32.00
Bras D'or Run-of-Mine	33.00
Welsh Blower	34.00
Acadia Forge	35.50
Dominion Coke	23.00

UNION COAL CO. LTD.

Dominion Screened	\$ 24.92
Dominion Slack	22.92
Bras D'or Prepared Stoker	} 25.04
Oil Treated	

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. HARRIS,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

TENDERS FOR SALT

December 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works, recommending acceptance of the tender of A. M. Smith and Co. Ltd., for the supply of salt -- In bulk at \$.89 (Eighty-Nine Cents) per 100 lbs

In bags at \$.96 (Ninety-Six Cents) per 100 lbs

was approved and recommended 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 Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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TENDERS SAND AND GRAVEL

December 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works, recommending that the tender of Hubleys Sand and Gravel Company be accepted for the supply of Sand and Gravel for the year 1952, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Piddleton,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabear,
CLERK OF WORKS.

December 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Works Committee.

Gentlemen:-

A tender for the supply of Sand & Gravel to the Works Department for the year 1952 was received from the HUBLEY'S SAND & GRAVEL CO. as follows:-

Concrete Sand -	Delivered at Wharf -	\$2.00 per cu. yd.
" "	" at City Field or on the Street --	2.50 " " "
Coarse Sand -	" at Wharf	3.00 " " "
" "	" at City Field or on the Street	2.60 " Ton 3.50 " cu. yd.
Gravel	" at Wharf	2.30 " " "
"	" at City Field or on the Streets	2.80 " " "

This was the only Tender received and is recommended for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

TENDERS FOR OIL

December 10th, 1951.

Re Tenders for Furnace Oil and
Bunker "C" Oil

December 13, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that the tender of Imperial Oil Ltd. be accepted for the supply of Furnace Oil and Bunker "C" Oil for the year 1952 was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

December 10th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

In response to advertisements published in Halifax newspapers five tenders were received for the supply of Furnace Oil and two for Bunker "C" Oil to supply various public institutions during the year 1952.

Tenders received were as follows:-

	Furnace Oil	Bunker "C"
S. Cunard & Co. Ltd.	17.3 Per Gal.	9.80 Per Gal
Imperial Oil Ltd.	17.3 " "	9.80 " "
Superline Oil Ltd.	17.3 " "	
Irving Oil Ltd.	17.3 " "	
Union Coal Co. Ltd.	17.3 " "	

It is recommended that the Tender of Imperial Oil Ltd. for Furnace Oil and Bunker "C" be accepted for the following reasons:-

In the event of price increase the maximum price to be no more than 1 cent per gallon over price in effect on date contract awarded.

Through a similar arrangement during the current year the City will have saved upwards of \$500.00 by the end of 1951, due to the fact the City is still purchasing oil at the rate of 16.9 cents per gallon as against 17.3 cents a current market price.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. HARRIS,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

December 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today,

December 13, 1951.

the attached report from the Commissioner of Works in regard to tenders for the following supplies was considered:-

Gasoline
Kerosene
Diesel Fuel
Motor Oil S.A.E. 20 to 40
Other Oils and Greases
Special Castings
Crushed Stone
Calcium Chloride
Application of Road Oils etc
Asphalt, Tar, Road Sand and Cold Patch

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

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
City Clerk

per J. E. Sadeau
Clerk of Works.

December 13th, 1951.

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

Gentlemen:-

Advertisements were inserted in the Halifax newspapers asking for Tenders for the supply of various materials required by the Works Department, for their operations for the year 1952. Several bids were received:

GASOLINE

It is recommended that the Tender of McColl-Frontenac Oil Co. Ltd. be accepted for the supply of gasoline at the price of .376¢ per gal., Halifax Posted Tank Wagon price at time of delivery.

This price also includes a fixed discount of 1¢ per gallon as well as the Provincial Gas Tax and Federal Sales Tax. It is also the lowest tender received for Gasoline.

By awarding the Tender for Gasoline to one Company, the Department is departing from the usual practice of former years of awarding the contract for Gasoline to the five major Gasoline distributing Companies in the City on an equal basis. As we purchase approximately 10,000 gallons a month the savings, should the contract be awarded to McColl-Frontenac Oil Co. Ltd., will amount to approximately \$1,200.00.

KEROSENE

It is recommended that the Tender of McColl-Frontenac Oil Co. Ltd., be accepted for the supply of Kerosene at the price of .226¢ per gallon, Halifax Posted Dealer, Tank Wagon, price at time of delivery.

This price includes a fixed discount of 1¢ per gallon and was the lowest Tender received.

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DIESEL FUEL

It is recommended that the Tender for the supply of Diesel Fuel for the year 1952 be granted to the following Companies whose prices are identical:-

Superline Oil Co. Ltd.	18.4¢
Irving Oil	18.4¢
Imperial Oil	18.4¢

MOTOR OIL S.A.E. 10 TO 40.

Of the Tenders for the supply of Motor Oils S.A.E. 10 to 40 that of McGill-Frontenac Oil Co. Ltd. of .945 cents per gallon was the lowest received for premium grade and is recommended for acceptance. This price includes a fixed discount of .155 cents per gallon.

OTHER OILS AND GREASES:

Following Tenders for other oils and greases are for acceptance being the lowest in each case with the exception of Fibre Grease:-

Thubar Oil - McGill-Frontenac Oil Co. Ltd.	12.24	Per	Lb.
Transmission Grease 90-140 - Imperial Oil Co.	10.25	"	"
Hypoid Oil - Canadian Oil Ltd.	12.25	"	"
Heavy Duty Grease - Imperial Oil Ltd.	13.75	"	"
Water Pump Grease - Imperial Oil Co.	13.50	"	"
Chassis Lubricant - McGill-Frontenac Oil Co.	11.7	"	"
Diesel Motor Oil - Superline Oil Ltd.	1.05	"	Gal.
Fibre Grease - Canadian Oil Ltd.	15.75	"	Lb.

SPECIAL CASTINGS:

Two Tenders were received for special Castings from Hillis and Sons Ltd. and Fleming Bros. as follows:-

	<u>HILLIS</u>	<u>FLEMING</u>
Catchpit Cover	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Catchpit Grating	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
Grate Bars	10	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Manhole Covers - Sewer	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9
Manhole Covers - Track	9 $\frac{3}{4}$	9
Manhole Cover - Coal Hole	10 $\frac{1}{4}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Manhole Frames - Sewer	9 $\frac{1}{2}$	9
Manhole Frames - Track	9 $\frac{3}{4}$	9
Manhole Frames - Coal Hole	10 $\frac{3}{4}$	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Manhole Steps	13	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
Street Monument Casting	12 $\frac{1}{2}$	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
Blower Grates	12	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
All other castings	11 $\frac{1}{2}$	11

The Tender of Fleming Bros. being lower in the majority of the items, it is recommended their tender be accepted for the year 1952.

CRUSHED STONE:

Only one Tender was received for crushed stone, that of Municipal Spraying and Contracting, as follows:-

No. 1	Passing	3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	Screen Retained on	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	\$ 1.90
No. 2	"	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	"	"	1.95
No. 3	"	1 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	"	"	2.20
No. 4	"	1"	"	"	2.75
No. 5	"	$\frac{1}{2}$ "	"	"	2.40
No. 6	"	2 $\frac{1}{4}$ "	"	"	2.10

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Special Run of Crusher	\$ 1.95
Rice Stone:	2.40

All Prices are f.o.b. Crusher.

It is recommended that the Tender of Municipal Spraying and Contracting Ltd. be accepted for Crushed Stone.

CALCIUM CHLORIDE

Canadian Industries Ltd. submitted the only Tender for Calcium Chloride, namely:-

Carload Lots	\$49.70 Per Ton
f. o. b. BARRIX.	

It is recommended that the Tender of Canadian Industries Ltd. be accepted for Calcium Chloride.

APPLICATION OF ROAD OILS, ETC.

A Tender for the application of Road Oils, Tars and Liquid Asphalt was received from Municipal Spraying and Contracting Ltd. as follows:-

Application of Road Oils	3 1/2¢ Per Gallon
" " " " " " " "	" " " " " " " "
" " " " " " " "	4 " " " " " " " "

It is recommended the Tender of Municipal Spraying and Contracting Ltd. be accepted for the application of Road Oils, Etc.

ASPHALT, TAR, ROAD OILS and COLD PATCH.

Only Tender for the supply of Asphalt, Tar, Road Oils, Cold Patch, was that received from Imperial Oil Ltd. as follows:-

Asphalt (R.C. - 1-2-3-4-5) Tank Car Lots	17.10 ¢ Per Gal.
Road Oil, Same	14.00 ¢ " " "
Asphalt (Cold Patch) Mc2 Drums Car Load Lots	21.10 ¢ " " "
" " " " " " " " Less Than Car Load Lots	23.54 ¢ Per Gal.

It is recommended that the Tender of Imperial Oil Ltd. be accepted for the supply of Asphalt, Tar, Road Oils and Cold Patch.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. HARRIS,
COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

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

FAIRVIEW CITY ENTRANCE

November 30th, 1951.

RE FAIRVIEW ENTRANCE TO CITY

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town planning Board held on November 27th, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer and Plans No. QQ-3-11879 and QQ-4-11995 were considered.

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The Committee approved the plans and recommended same to City Council; and also recommended that street lines be laid down and the necessary property purchased to acquire the right-of-way of the City's portion of the highway from the Dutch Village Road at Fairview to Bayers Road.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

J. S. B. Sabean,
CITY ENGINEER.

November 27, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Town Planning Commission.

Gentlemen:

As requested at the last meeting of the City Council I again submit my proposal for the Fairview Highway showing an overhead bridge at the underpass and a bridge leading from the underpass through to the Amable intersection.

Respectfully submitted,

W. S. B. Sabean,
Town Planning Engineer.

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

Alderman Vaughan: "It is the overall plan that we are voting on tonight? Is that right? We are adopting the two highways?"

His Worship the Mayor: "There is one point in my meeting in Montreal and Washington. I find that as far as Civil Defense is concerned, we are in line with anything across the continent. We have the same problem before us as all these different cities in the matter of the approaches and proper highways for evacuation and bringing in supplies. I took the plans agreed upon in Committee supplied to me by the Town Planning Engineer showing Kempt Road and the whole thing. I asked that we be granted an appointment with the Board of Transport Commissioners in January to present our claim that under the Railway Act where we can show the elimination of a hazard on the railway, we can ask for 50% of the cost of construction. This is the first start. By the time we get the lines laid down on the western approach with the projection from

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Bayers Road, to Armdale, we will work on that during the coming year and we will make a submission to the authorities at Ottawa and then we will go to the Highways Dept. in the Province. When that is through, we will be comparable to the other cities. Down here we are laboring too much on the details when we should get on with the job and when we get that done, the civil defence will compare with anything on the Continent."

Alderman Vaughan: "I do feel I should understand that the left prong of this highway is going to be proceeded with. Are we dealing with the overall plan or the purchase of the land?"

His Worship the Mayor: "We are dealing with the western approach to the City of Halifax whatever it is."

Mr. Snook: "We have in mind the section from Fairview to Bayers Road. By doing this we commit ourselves to going through with the whole scheme."

Alderman Donahoe: "We discussed the question as to the improvement of Kempt Rd. If we are proceeding with one and not improving Kempt Road, we are entitled to know that."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think we are approving the whole thing. The plans are there and that includes Kempt Road."

Alderman Fox: "In the past in many cases after land has been acquired, it has laid dormant for many years and nothing done. We have the bottleneck at the Arm Bridge and it has been lying there for 5 years and we are not assured when it will be gone ahead with."

Alderman Vaughan: "I am not trying to block the western approach, but it should tie in with the overall scheme."

His Worship the Mayor: "We have dealt with this in Committee and you have given me authority to place the plans before Ottawa in January."

Alderman Vaughan: "Do I understand that the eastern approach is contingent upon the approval being received from the Board of Transport Commissioners?"

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His Worship the Mayor: "From the Railway."

Alderman Vaughan: "The traffic hazard was eliminated in 1911 by the construction of the overhead bridge. I think they are going to argue that they have eliminated the hazard at that point. I am afraid we will not get very far at Ottawa."

His Worship the Mayor: "We are going to have it approved by the Dept. of Highways. All matters have been agreed upon. If you want to take on 1½ million dollars to correct the approaches I would say yes, but I am willing to see if we can get one half of it. The whole plan is a matter of defense."

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

GRANT NATIONAL HARBOUR BOARD

His Worship the Mayor stated that while he was in Ottawa he waited on the National Harbour Board Chairman and that he was hopeful of funds before the end of the month. He said he was not sure of the amount, but it would be a definite help on the tax rate next year.

SUBDIVISION PREFABRICATED LOTS

November 30th, 1951.

Re: Altering Prefab Lots #95 to #139

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on November 27th, the attached Plan No. 00-4-11956, was presented for a public hearing.

As no objections were received the Board recommended that the resubdivision be approved and the necessary By-Law 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 DeWolf, seconded by Alderman MacMillan

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that the report be approved. Motion passed.

FEDERAL GRANT

Halifax, N. S.,
December 3, 1951.

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

The attached report from the City Assessor respecting
Federal Grant was read at a meeting of the Taxation & Assessment
Committee held on the above date.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 27, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of Taxation and Assessment Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen: Re: Federal Grant

I wish to advise that the Municipal Branch of the Depart-
ment of Finance, Ottawa, has paid to the City the sum of \$252,392.
as a grant in lieu of taxation. This represents an increase of
\$55,028. over 1950.

In addition the Department has decided to consider the
Fire Protection Rates as a Real Estate tax and in this connection
has paid the sum of \$8,348. for the year 1950, and \$11,225. for
the year 1951. Formerly these Fire Protection rates were paid
under agreements with the Department of National Defence and the
Department of Public Works. The former agreement expired in 1949
and the latter in March of 1950 and since that time no money has
been paid on this account. In the future these amounts will be
considered as Real Estate Taxes and be paid as was done this year.
The total amount, therefore, received by the City from this source
for the year 1951 is \$271,965. representing an increase of \$74,601.
over 1950.

The Department has also paid to the City the full claim for
Local Improvement charges amounting to \$9,310.12. Central Housing
and Mortgage has paid the sum of \$907.02 for taxes for this current
year.

A reduction of 42.6% on the assessment of the Dockyard pro-
perty was again adopted. Further, we had included in our appli-
cation for a grant the assessment on the property of the National
Research Council on Oxford Street, but as this property is a Crown
Company it was necessary for us to deduct it from our grant and
make an application to the Company. This action has been taken.

This letter is for your information and should be sent on
to Council, so that it will form part of the records of the City.

Yours very truly,
J. F. McManus, CITY ASSESSOR.

December 13, 1951.

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

ASSESSMENT MOIRS LIMITED

Halifax, N. S.,
November 19, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Taxation and Assessment Committee held on the above date, the attached report from the City Assessor respecting the assessment of Moirs Limited was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Public, Jr.,
CITY CLERK.

October 11, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of Taxation and
Assessment Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

Following the joint meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee and this Committee at which I was instructed to "effect an arrangement with Moirs Ltd. whereby the assessment may be set at a figure which will produce a tax of \$40,000. annually for a period of five years" I have discussed the same with the Company's representatives.

Attached is a proposed draft of legislation which gives effect to the resolution approved. At the present rate of taxation the assessment would be actually \$493,800. but the nearest round figure would be \$500,000. and hence this amount was agreed upon. In this amount is included the normal assessment on the bakery division of \$100,000. and \$50,000. business assessment leaving the balance of \$350,000. on the candy plant on which the ordinary assessment would be \$779,000. real estate.

A departure is made in the proposed legislation whereby new buildings or additions erected will be added to the assessment making allowance for any of the other part which has been sold or demolished. Under the present legislation the Company could erect new buildings and no change was made in the fixed assessment. Should, however, the Company sell any of its vacant land there will be no reduction in the assessment so fixed.

The term of the new fixation is for a period of five years commencing on January 1st, 1952 and ending December 31st 1956.

Other sections of the proposed legislation are to the effect that no business tax shall be payable by the Company except on the bakery division or in the event of establishing a retail shop. The Company will pay for any local improvements and fire protection in the ordinary manner.

Yours very truly,
J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

December 13, 1951.

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

Alderman Breen asked what would the amount of taxes be to the City in the ensuing five years and was advised by the Assessor that it would be approximately \$40,000.00 per year.

The City Assessor for the information of the Council outlined the stages through which this matter had gone.

Alderman Breen: "Is there any danger for comparison purposes at some future date when we go to the Federal Government when they go into our assessments?"

City Assessor: "No, I don't think so. The valuations on the buildings today would be comparable with the Federal Government per cubic foot."

Alderman Breen: "It is around a \$300,000.00 reduction?"

City Assessor: "Yes."

Alderman Breen: "Did we not suffer a loss with respect to the Dockyards and Shipyards?"

City Assessor: "The Dockyard Assessment was reduced by 42.6% by the Federal Government Grant Division because the Shipyards enjoyed an exemption of approximately 42.6%."

Alderman Breen: "I think there was a loss to the City in revenue of something around $\frac{1}{4}$ of a million dollars over a period of 25 years plus water. There is a change of assessment at a time other than at the ordinary time of appeal session. I would assume that anyone could come in and get a review of their assessment which is denied the average tax payer. Is that correct?"

His Worship the Mayor: "No. Any citizen has the right to come before the Taxation Committee on any point and if they can show a good solid reason they will get the same treatment as Moirs."

Alderman Breen: "Will the same privilege be granted to anyone today or tomorrow to present their case?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The Taxation Committee meets once a month and anyone can present a case and if it is as solid as

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Moirs, they will get a hearing."

Alderman Breen: "I am satisfied that the average tax payer will not get the opportunity."

His Worship the Mayor: "He can go before the appeal Board."

Alderman Breen: "Why was this not started there? It did not even come from the Appeal Board to the Assessment Committee. It by-passed the Appeal Board. I hope that every member of Council realizes that over the last 25 years we have subsidized this Company to the sum of \$800,000.00 plus water for a greater portion of that period. You are now exempting them for another half million dollars which is around 1 1/4 million dollars. I will watch with interest in April, members of this Council who will advocate the merging of the two tax rates. Furthermore, I think 5 years is too long under any circumstances. If you must grant this exemption it should be for a shorter period of time."

Moved an amendment by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the exemption be granted for a period of one year and the necessary legislation obtained.

Alderman Vaughan: "In extending this exemption we are striking a new tax structure in the City on income. Moirs came to us with a financial statement and asked for assistance. What happened through the war years? I remember some months ago we were approached by the officials from Moirs Ltd. and they showed us a sheet containing the figures paid to Ottawa over the war years and the amounts were astronomical. The City should have had its share. We go to the Federal Government and ask for grants yet we don't take full advantage of our present taxing powers. The mere fact that Moirs will earn X dollars as compared with last year is not sufficient a reason for us to grant an exemption. It seems in the City of Halifax we are going to subsidize their operation. I wonder what would happen if they were taxed at the \$8.10 rate. They presented figures but only on the basis of this year. These are really projected figures. We should have had the projection over a period of years

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and then we would have had a better compromise."

Alderman Hatfield: "If a war broke out, could it be stated that this exemption no longer exists. Instead of the Federal Government getting the money, we would get it."

Alderman Donahoe: "The asset of Moirs Ltd. could easily be lost to this City through certain conditions. They are competing with the Upper Canadian market. They employ a lot of labor. We should not limit it to one year. Five years may be too long, but a year is too short. I propose to vote against the amendment."

Alderman Breen: "We budget for 12 months and our tax rate is on 12 months."

Alderman Moriarty stated his views more or less coincided with Alderman Donahoe and he proposed to vote for the motion.

The amendment was put and lost 4 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Abbott
Breen
Lane
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Adams
DeWolf
Donahoe
Duffy
Fox
Hatfield
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty

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- 9 -

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the exemption be granted for a period of 3 years and the necessary legislation obtained.

The amendment was put and passed 12 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Lane
Abbott
Adams
Macdonald
Donahoe
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen

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The original motion was declared lost.

Alderman Breen wanted to know if the Company could come under the Bonus Act at the end of 3 years and that the legislation read in that manner.

The City Solicitor then explained the provisions of the Bonus Act for the information of Council.

Alderman Breen suggested that all members of Council should have a copy of the Bonus Act.

Moved by Alderman Breen that the City Solicitor prepare legislation in accordance with the Bonus Act.

There was no second to this motion.

TAX EXEMPTION JOHN HOWARD SOCIETY

Halifax, N. S.,
November 19, 1951.

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

The Taxation and Assessment Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered the attached report from the City Assessor respecting a request from the John Howard Society of Nova Scotia for exemption from taxation on the property used by it at 111 Gottingen Street.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

October 24, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members Taxation and Assessment Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.

Gentlemen:

Re: 111 Gottingen Street

I attach letter from H. L. Roper, President of the John Howard Society of Nova Scotia requesting exemption from the occupancy tax at 111 Gottingen Street.

This assessment is based on the fact that this Society is occupying premises at the above address and in as much as it is a club or organization which is not operating for the purpose of gain, under the Provisions of Section 350, sub-section 3, the assessment is based on 25% of the value of the premises occupied. The special assessment which was placed against them this year was \$650. at the business tax rate of \$8.10, made the tax payable \$52.65.

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Should your Committee decide to approve the request it will be necessary to forward the same to City Council and obtain the necessary legislation.

Yours very truly,

J. F. MCMANUS,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

TAX EXEMPTION SALVATION ARMY AND SISTERS OF SERVICE

Halifax, N. S.,
December 3, 1951.

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

The attached reports from the City Assessor respecting requests from the Salvation Army for exemption from taxation on their properties #218-220 Argyle Street and #227 Grafton Street and the Sisters of Service of Canada for exemption from taxation on their property at 2 Tobin Street, were considered by the Taxation and Assessment Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the requests be granted and the necessary legislation obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

October 22, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members Taxation & Assessment Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:

Re: 218-220 Argyle Street
227 Grafton Street.

I attach letter from Major Arthur H. Hill, asking exemption from taxation on the above properties.

The assessment on the property 218-220 Argyle Street was before the Court of Tax Appeals in 1944-45 when the assessment was confirmed and the appeal dismissed.

In 1947 legislation was obtained whereby any occupancy tax would not be assessed against the Salvation Army while they continued to occupy the above premises. This legislation is still in force.

The assessment and taxes are as follows:

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Property	Assessment	Tax
218-20 Argyle St.	\$12,600.	\$441.00
227 Grafton St.	1,100	38.50
Total	<u>\$13,700</u>	<u>\$479.50</u>

This is purely a matter for you to decide and recommend to Council for any legislation should you approve of the request.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. MCMANUS,
CITY ASSESSOR.

November 30, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members Taxation and
Assessment Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax.

Gentlemen:

I have received an application through R. A. Donahoe, Esq., K.C., on behalf of the Sisters of Service of Canada. At the present time the Sisters of Service are the owners of the property 2 Tobin Street and are exempt from Taxation on a portion of the property which they occupy. The total valuation of the property is \$11,500. and the assessment is \$5,000. giving an exemption of \$6,500. In addition to the business assessment these Sisters are also assessed for a business tax and household tax. Particulars of the assessments on which the sisters pay are as follows:

Residential Realty \$5,000.	⊙ \$3.50 C.	tax payable	\$175.00
Business Assessment 1,200.	⊙ 8.10 C.	" "	97.20
Household " 380.	⊙ 3.50 C.	" "	13.30
Total tax payable			<u>\$285.50</u>

You will recall that at your last meeting you had before you an application from the Salvation Army asking exemption on their Hostel on Argyle Street. The application at present under consideration is in a similar position as they are carrying on a similar work and it also was before the Court of Tax Appeals some years ago in 1944, as was the Salvation Army.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

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

LIMITED DIVIDEND CORPORATIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
December 3, 1951.

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

The Taxation and Assessment Committee at a meeting held

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on the above date considered the matter of granting some concession to Limited Dividend Corporations formed to erect and operate houses under the National Housing Act.

It was agreed to recommend that any such Corporation which erects and operates houses under the said Act and the cost of which shall not exceed \$10,000.00 per unit shall be assessed at such amount as to produce \$98.00 per annum in taxes.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
December 4, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Prefabricated Housing Committee held on the above date an account amounting to \$1,240.00 payable to H. R. Doane & Co. covering audit fees in connection with the accounting system of the Prefabricated Housing Department was approved and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S.,
December 7, 1951.

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

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 the sum of \$802.50.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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CITY HOME SURVEY

Halifax, N. S.,
November 28, 1951.

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

At a meeting of a Committee of the Whole Council held on the above date, consideration was given to the City Home Report with Recommendations as prepared by Dr. Clyde Marshall, Alderman B. O. Macdonald and Mr. E. J. Cragg under date of January 20, 1951.

Your Committee makes the following recommendations to City Council:

1. That immediate steps be taken by the Commissioner of Health to bring about the erection of a mental hospital for the City of Halifax.
2. That the City Home as presently constituted be rehabilitated to provide for a home for the chronically sick and aged poor.
3. That the Commissioner of Health be empowered immediately to bring in a report to provide a decent standard of care and treatment for the patients now presently lodged in this institution and that such renovations and improvements be of such character as if possible to be incorporated in the future rehabilitation of the building.
4. That the Commissioner of Health approach the Provincial Government to see if some institution could be set up for the T.B. and Typhoid patients or added to another hospital.
5. That the Commissioner of Health be instructed to bring in an immediate report to the Committee of the Whole Council for the improvement of the feeding and the menu of the inmates at the City Home and also improvements in the methods in which the food is served.
6. That Mr. J. Philip Dumaresq assist the Commissioner of Health in preparing the recommendations for immediate action, with respect to #5.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Read report from the Commissioner of Health as follows:

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His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:

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Pursuant to the action of Council sitting as a Committee of the whole on Wednesday, November 28th/51, I have the following recommendations to make:

1. The purchase of electrically heated food conveyors for each of the six dining rooms on the basement floor and for the two infirmary wards. These will replace present method of conveying food, be sanitary and assure maintenance of heat from kitchen to serving. Estimated cost - \$5000.00.
2. Purchase of new plastic type of dishes for the serving of meals. Some are already in use and are proving very satisfactory. Estimated cost - \$2500.00.
3. Purchase of additional cutlery. Estimated cost - \$1500.00.
4. Installation of 4 double compartment sinks in the two infirmary wards and 2 in the dining rooms in basement. Estimated cost - \$3000.00.
5. Appointment of well qualified chef to be in charge of kitchen and meal planning. Estimated salary - \$2000.00 - \$2500.00.
6. Purchase of Boltobilt trays for all patients receiving meals in bed or at their bedside. Estimated cost - \$500.00.
7. Supplying of hot plates for each serving area so that beverage may be kept hot. New hot plate containers with spout on top. Estimated cost - \$800.00.
8. Estimated cost of wiring in kitchen and serving areas for conveyors and hot plates. Estimated cost - \$2000.00.
9. Purchase of some smaller kitchen ware such as pots, pans, and general utility articles of a miscellaneous nature. Estimated cost - \$1000.00.

TOTAL COST - \$16,800.00

All the above equipment will form part of the major plan and be incorporated into that plan for remodelling of the present kitchen and food service. The above items can be put into operation within two months depending on delivery date of the equipment.

These items should improve immediate the food preparation and serving but in a temporary way only, and must be followed by the changes to be reported upon by Mr. Dumaresq.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

Alderman Donahoe: "These recommendations are in line with the suggestion made by Alderman Breen at the Committee of the Whole Council that something immediate should be done. I would like to assure Council in my opinion these will go a long way towards

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HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

FURTHER TO THE RECENT MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL AND FURTHER TO DR. MORTON'S PROPOSAL FOR IMMEDIATE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVING METHODS AT THE CITY HOME, I PRESENT HERewith A REPORT COVERING IMPROVEMENTS OF A PERMANENT NATURE IN THE FOOD PREPARATION AND SERVING FACILITIES AT THE ABOVE MENTIONED INSTITUTION.

THESE IMPROVEMENTS FALL INTO THREE PHASES:

- (A) PROVISION OF IMPROVED KITCHEN FACILITIES,
- (B) PROVISION OF AN ELEVATOR TO CARRY THE FOOD CONVEYORS TO THE INFIRMARY WARDS,
- (C) RENOVATION OF EXISTING DINING ROOMS.

I HAVE PREPARED A PLAN WHICH ILLUSTRATES OUR PROPOSED SOLUTIONS TO THE VARIOUS PROBLEMS AND A STUDY OF THIS PLAN WILL ASSIST THE MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL TO FOLLOW THESE SUGGESTED SOLUTIONS.

(A) KITCHEN FACILITIES

AFTER A PRELIMINARY INSPECTION BY DR. MORTON, MR. FITTINGER, THE SUPERINTENDENT, AND MYSELF, IT WAS OBVIOUS THAT THE MAIN BASIC REQUIREMENT FOR IMPROVED EATING FACILITIES WAS A COMPLETE NEW KITCHEN.

THE NECESSITY OF OPERATING THE EXISTING KITCHEN FACILITIES WHILE THE NEW KITCHEN WAS BEING CONSTRUCTED WAS CONSIDERED, AND IT SEEMED BEST TO BUILD THE NEW KITCHEN IN THE PRESENT BAKE SHOP SO THAT THE EXISTING KITCHEN FACILITIES WOULD BE DISTURBED AS LITTLE AS POSSIBLE DURING THE RENOVATION PERIOD.

AFTER A DISCUSSION WITH MISS ESSEN, DIETITIAN FOR THE T.B. HOSPITAL KITCHEN, AND A STUDY OF OTHER SATISFACTORY KITCHEN LAYOUTS, I HAVE EVOLVED A PLAN FOR THE NEW KITCHEN OF THE CITY HOME WHICH I FEEL WILL SERVE THE PURPOSE ADMIRABLY. THIS LAYOUT IS BASED ON THE FLOW DIAGRAM I HAVE INDICATED ON THE PLAN, AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY OF THE AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE, DIVISION OF HOSPITAL FACILITIES.

THIS LAYOUT REQUIRES AN ADDITION TO THE BUILDING IN ORDER TO PROVIDE THE NECESSARY STORAGE, REFRIGERATION AND PREPARATION ROOMS FOR THE NEW KITCHEN. I HAVE INDICATED THE NECESSARY ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION ON THE PLAN.

THE PLAN PROVIDES FOR DELIVERY OF GOODS IN BULK TO THE REAR OF THE EXISTING BUILDING AND IN THE VICINITY OF THE KITCHEN AREA, INSTEAD OF TO THE FRONT OF THE BUILDING WHERE IS IS PRESENTLY DELIVERED.

THE PLAN ALSO PROVIDES ADEQUATE SEPARATE REFRIGERATED STORAGE FOR MEATS, VEGETABLES AND DAIRY PRODUCTS, WHICH UNDER THE PRESENT SET UP, ARE KEPT IN THE SAME REFRIGERATOR.

THE LAYOUT MAKES USE OF THE ELECTRICALLY HEATED FOOD TRUCKS WHICH ARE RECOMMENDED IN DR. MORTON'S IMMEDIATE PLAN FOR IMPROVED FEEDING FACILITIES.

OTHER FEATURES OF THIS LAYOUT ARE ADEQUATE VENTILATION, PROPER MOISTURE-PROOF FLOOR AND WALL FINISHES, SUITABLE DRAINAGE, MODERN DISHWASHING, (INCLUDING DISINFECTING), AND A SMALL DINING ROOM FOR THE KITCHEN HELP.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS LAID DOWN BY THE COMMITTEE, THE ABOVE DESCRIBED KITCHEN LAYOUT WILL FIT AS AN INTEGRAL PART, INTO ANY NEW PLANS FOR MODERNIZATION OF THE EXISTING BUILDING AND IN THIS RESPECT CAN REALLY BE CONSIDERED AS A PART OF THAT OVER-ALL RENOVATION PLAN.

(B) PROVISION OF ELEVATOR

I UNDERSTAND FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT THAT THIS INSTITUTION HAS BEEN IN NEED OF AN ELEVATOR FOR SOMETIME FOR THE TRANSPORTING OF PATIENTS TO VARIOUS FLOORS.

THE ELEVATOR PROPOSED WOULD BE OF A SATISFACTORY SIZE SO THAT IT CAN BE USED NOT ONLY FOR TRANSPORTING FOOD CONVEYORS, MENTIONED ABOVE, TO THE UPPER FLOORS, BUT ALSO FOR TRANSPORTING INFIRM PATIENTS.

A VERY SUITABLE LOCATION NOW EXISTS IN THE BUILDING FOR THIS ELEVATOR, NAMELY, THE LARGE VERTICAL STAIRWAY SHAFT LEADING UPWARD FROM THE FOYER AT THE MAIN ENTRANCE TO THE BUILDING.

THE PROVIDING OF THIS ELEVATOR WILL ALSO SERVE TO CLOSE IN THE OPEN VERTICAL STAIRWELL WHICH WAS MENTIONED IN THE FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT AS A FIRE HAZARD.

(C) DINING ROOMS

THE IMPROVING OF THE EXISTING DINING ROOMS BY IMPROVED FLOOR, WALL AND CEILING COVERINGS WAS ALSO INVESTIGATED, AND IT APPEARS THAT CONSIDERABLE BRIGHTENING UP OF THESE ROOMS IS POSSIBLE.

WE RECOMMEND STRAPPING AND PLASTERING ALL WALLS AND CEILINGS AND PAINTING SAME IN LIGHT COLORS. NEW FLOOR COVERINGS OF ASPHALT TILE SHOULD BE LAID, ALSO IN BRIGHT COLORS.

THIS BRIGHTENING UP OF THE DINING ROOMS WOULD DO MUCH TO IMPROVE THE GENERAL ATMOSPHERE IN WHICH THE FOOD IS CONSUMED BY THE PATIENTS.

IN THE TIME AVAILABLE IT HAS BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO OBTAIN AN ACCURATE COST ESTIMATE OF THE WORK INVOLVED IN THE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM NOTED ABOVE.

HOWEVER, BY GENERAL ESTIMATING METHODS, I HAVE ROUGHLY ESTIMATED THE COST OF THIS IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AS FOLLOWS:

(A)	IMPROVED KITCHEN FACILITIES	\$135,000.
(B)	NEW ELEVATOR	22,000.
(C)	RENOVATING DINING ROOMS	20,000.
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	TOTAL	\$177,000.
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NO PLANS OR ESTIMATES HAVE AS YET BEEN PREPARED FOR THE SUGGESTED RENOVATION OF THE REMAINDER OF THE EXISTING BUILDING. IT IS FELT BY DR. MORTON AND MYSELF THAT PLANS FOR THIS RENOVATION PROGRAM WILL BE DIFFICULT TO PREPARE UNTIL THE CITY HAS PROVIDED ACCOMMODATION FOR ITS MENTAL PATIENTS ELSEWHERE SO THAT THE PROBLEM OF DEALING WITH THE REMAINING PATIENTS COULD BE DEFINED A LITTLE MORE ACCURATELY.

IN THIS CONNECTION, WE SUGGEST THAT THE CITY PROCEED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF SOME FORM OF INSTITUTION TO CARE FOR THE MENTAL PATIENTS NOW BEING HOUSED IN THE CITY HOME, AS RECOMMENDED IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT.

I AM ATTACHING A PRELIMINARY PERSPECTIVE FOR SUCH A BUILDING. THE COST OF THIS BUILDING WOULD VARY ACCORDING TO THE NUMBER OF PATIENTS PROVIDED FOR. THE PERSPECTIVE SHOWS A BUILDING WHICH WOULD HOUSE 200 TO 250 PATIENTS AND WOULD COST IN THE VICINITY OF ONE AND A QUARTER MILLION DOLLARS.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

J. PHILIP DUMARESQ,
ARCHITECT

NOTE: THIS REPORT WAS WRITTEN WITH THE KIND ASSISTANCE OF A. R. MORTON, M.D., M.P.H. COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH AND WELFARE CITY OF HALIFAX

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improving conditions at the present time until the long range plan could be carried out, as suggested in Mr. Dumaresq's report."

Alderman Macdonald: "With regard to the elevator, I wonder if there is any possibility of getting an early start on that. It will expedite the serving?"

His Worship the Mayor: "That matter will be considered speedily."

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

BORROWING RESOLUTION \$14,000.00

A resolution to borrow the sum of \$14,000.00 covering the items in the report of the Commissioner of Health was submitted.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Breen that the resolution as amended be approved.

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

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that Council resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole to consider a report from Mr. J. Philip Dumaresq in connection with the rehabilitation of the City Home. Motion passed

10.45 P. M. Council adjourned.

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

Read report from the Committee of the Whole Council as follows:

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

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The attached report from J. Philip Dumaresq, Esq., on proposed long term improvements to feeding facilities at the City Home, was considered by a Committee of the Whole Council at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Vaughan: "Before we select an architect we should ask a group to submit designs to the Committee when we have an open field and we can reduce costs."

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't think it would be quite fair to have another architect work on Mr. Dumaresq's projection."

Alderman Donahoe: "Mr. Dumaresq was engaged for the work we are considering here tonight."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think we are committed by our act at the last meeting."

Alderman Donahoe: "I disagree with you. I expressed myself that we should employ Mr. Dumaresq for the immediate changes. There was to be no misunderstanding."

Alderman Vaughan: "His Commission is on part #5 of the report."

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that tenders for the rehabilitation of the City Home be called for by the architect on these specifications. Motion passed.

INDUSTRIAL SITES.

Halifax, N. S.,
December 13, 1951.

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

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At a meeting of the Industrial and Taxation and Assessment Committees held on the above date the matter of providing sites in the North end of the City to be used for industrial purposes was considered.

In order to encourage industry to locate in Halifax the attached resolution is recommended for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The following resolution is recommended to the City Council by the Committee on Taxation and Assessment:

1. That the parcel of land bounded on the south by the north street line of Forrester Street; on the east by the C. N. R. Cotton Factory Siding and lands owned by the Halifax Relief Commission; on the north by C. N. R. property (abandoned H. & S. W. Railway); and on the west by the east boundary of the MacKintosh subdivision; (The above area does not include a parcel of land bounded by Prince Street and the C. N. R. property (abandoned H. & S. W. Railway) of approximately 51,000 square feet,) containing in all approximately 273,000 square feet more or less be set aside for a period of six months as an industrial area for the purpose of providing sites for the establishment of such new industry or industries in the City of Halifax as may be recommended and induced to locate in this City by the Department of Trade and Industry of the Province of Nova Scotia, subject to the terms of legislation to be submitted, as hereinafter provided, and that such sites be sold to such industries either directly or through the Minister of Trade and Industry of the Province of Nova Scotia for a nominal sum.

2. That legislation be sought at the next Session of the Legislature of Nova Scotia to enable the City to exempt from civic taxation for a period of two years from the date of commencement of business such industry or industries and thereafter to tax such industry or industries for the third year of operation upon an assessment equal to the value of the land together with twenty-five

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percent of the actual value of the improvements thereon or of the approximate cost of the proposed improvements as determined by the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities, which is hereby authorized to make such determinations. The decision of the said Board shall be final and conclusive.

3. That the said legislation provide that the remaining seventy-five percent of such actual value be added to the assessment in approximately equal instalments in the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth year after the date of commencement, to the end that during the twelfth year after such commencement and thereafter such industry or industries shall be assessed in accordance with the provisions of the Halifax City Charter respecting assessment for taxation.

4. That the City will cause to be provided such sewers in the streets as may be required for proper servicing of the said property.

5. That if necessary the City will exercise its good offices to the end that water-mains will be made available to the said property.

6. In the event that any of the said real property is conveyed to the Province of Nova Scotia for use by any such industry or industries and the same is not used for such purpose within six months from this date, the Province will re-convey such unused real property to the City.

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

Alderman Vaughan stated he understood there was an American Company coming to Halifax to set up a public utility and would be seeking a tax exemption. He said that the City of Ottawa had decided that industries going to that City would have to stand on their own feet. He further stated that if some group of industrialists came to Halifax and employed a group of men then he would be in favour of it, but if this land were turned over to the Provincial Government who would then pass it over to some industrial

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11.30. he was opposed to it.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the idea was to attract new industries to the City. Nothing would go to the Government until they brought an industry into the City.

Alderman Vaughan said he was in favour of holding the land until such time as persons seeking industrial sites come to the City.

Alderman Breen said that any portion of land not used would be made available for any other industries.

The motion was put and passed 10 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Duffy
Fox
Lane
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty

AGAINST THE MOTION

Alderman Donahoe
Hartfield
Vaughan

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ANSWERS ALDERMAN FOX, RE BRUNSWICK STREET PROPERTIES

Alderman Fox requested that this matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of Council which was agreed to.

ASSESSMENT WARDS 1, 2 AND 3

Alderman Duffy asked if Wards 1, 2 and 3 had been assessed this year to which the Assessor replied the notices were in the mail.

LETTER PRIVATE SECRETARY TO PRINCESS
ELIZABETH RE ROYAL VISIT

Clarence House,

St. James's

20th November, 1951.

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I am desired by Their Royal Highnesses The Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh to tell you how much they enjoyed the two days they spent in Halifax, and how moved they were by the warmth of the reception given to them, a warmth which was quite undimmed by the bad weather. Their Royal Highnesses were only sorry that so many people must have got wet.

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In particular Their Royal Highnesses have asked me to tell you how much pleasure it gave them to come to the City Hall and to meet Members of your Council, and to tell you how delighted they were with the lunch given to them at the Lord Nelson Hotel. Their Royal Highnesses have asked me to thank you in particular for the gifts given to them by the City of Halifax, which they will always treasure. They are particularly happy that these have on them the Crest of your City.

Yours sincerely,

Martin Chartens,
Private Secretary to
The Princess Elizabeth.

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
City Hall,
Halifax,
Nova Scotia.

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PAWN BROKER REGULATIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
December 11, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, an application for a Pawn Brokers License was considered.

As no regulations are presently in effect governing this matter, it was agreed to recommend that the City Solicitor be authorized to draft an Ordinance for consideration of this Committee at its next meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1951.

Reserves	O/S Balances October 30/51	New Accounts & Adjustments	November 1951 Collections	o/s Balance November 31/51
\$70,354.67	\$ 79,165.82	Dr. \$ 63.24	\$ 4,586.18	\$ 74,642.88
68,592.55	187,366.03	Dr. 26.00	6,716.74	180,675.29
70,068.20	721,676.51	Dr. 8,429.49	93,732.36	636,373.64
	\$988,208.36	Dr. 8,518.73	\$105,035.28	\$ 891,691.81

TAXES:-

	22,401.65		11.00	22,390.65
	2,893.63		19.60	2,874.03
	3,780.52	Dr. 28.50	2,925.21	883.81

Additional Collections

	<u>1951</u>	<u>1950</u>
Years 1925-26 to 1948	2,555.63	
Corresponding Period Last Year		10,620.13
Collections as per statement above	105,035.28	81,417.24
Corresponding period last year		
	<u>\$107,590.91</u>	<u>\$92,037.37</u>
Collection Poll Taxes Jan. 1st to Nov. 30/51	105,028.91	
Corresponding period last year		103,464.74

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

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APPROPRIATIONS AS OF NOVEMBER 30, 1951.

THE CITY COUNCIL:

The following is the state of Civic Appropriations
as of the above date after deducting unpaid orders:

APPROPRIATIONS	LEDGER BALANCE	UNPAID ORDERS	BALANCE LESS UNPAID ORDERS.
City Home	\$ 17,441.72	\$ 1,143.59	\$ 16,298.13
City Pleasant Park	1,601.62		1,601.62
City Library	8,019.60	253.65	7,765.95
City B. Hospital	11,863.79	1,370.27	10,493.52
City Disease Hospital	7,007.98	228.99	6,778.99
City Public Health	32,597.62		32,597.62
City Welfare Department	1,995.07 Dr.		1,995.07 Dr.
City Police Department	40,606.59	3,105.46	37,501.13
City Prison	6,931.09		6,931.09
City As. Salaries & Bonus	51,793.87		51,793.87
City Streets	3,949.67	715.08	3,234.59
City Office Supplies	3,497.33	47.24	3,450.09
City Town Planning	343.46	47.81	295.65
City Internal Health	11,901.22 Dr.	34,368.31	46,269.53 Dr.
City Sewer Maintenance	3,829.46		3,829.46
City Snow Removal	24,616.05	1,739.22	22,876.83
City St. Lighting	26,936.12	735.39	26,200.73
City Traffic Lights	2,669.94	271.01	2,398.93
City Building Inspection	37.60 Dr.		37.60 Dr.
City Building Inspection	3,207.11		3,207.11
City Parks & Grounds	2,779.48	663.21	2,116.27
City City Property	21,970.72	2,510.01	19,460.71
City Fuel	5,036.54	440.69	4,595.85
City Insurance	2,803.77 Dr.		2,803.77 Dr.
City City Hall Light	670.23		670.23
City Telephones	545.92		545.92
City Fairview Cemetery	1,236.46 Dr.	196.93	1,433.39 Dr.
City Recreation Committee	5,890.67	2.83	5,887.84
City Fire Department	37,760.34		37,760.34
City Fire Alarm	6,525.23		6,525.23
City Printing & Stationery	122.20 Dr.	262.18	384.38 Dr.

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. MCDONALD,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

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APPOINTMENTS SCHOOL BOARD

As the terms of Alderman Vaughan and Mr. A. M. Butler as School Commissioners expire December 31, 1951, His Worship the Mayor called for nominations to the Board for a three year term beginning January 1, 1952.

Alderman Abbott nominated Alderman Vaughan and Mr. Butler.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Mr. Harrison Livingstone.

Alderman Donahoe nominated Alderman DeWolf.

Alderman Vaughan nominated Alderman Duffy.

Alderman Hatfield withdrew his nomination as it had been drawn to his attention that Mr. Livingstone was not qualified to act.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Abbott that nominations cease. Motion passed.

It was agreed that the members of Council vote for 2 nominees.

The vote was then taken and resulted as follows:

<u>Ald. Vaughan</u>	<u>Mr. Butler</u>	<u>Ald. DeWolf</u>	<u>Ald. Duffy</u>
Ald. DeWolf	Ald. Moriarty	Ald. Breen	
Moriarty	Abbott	Lane	
Breen	Adams	Donahoe	
Lane	Macdonald	Vaughan	
Abbott	Fox	Hatfield	
Adams	MacMillan		
Macdonald	Duffy		
Donahoe			
Fox			
Duffy			
Hatfield			
MacMillan			
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His Worship the Mayor then declared Alderman Vaughan duly appointed to the Board of School Commissioners for a term of 3 years expiring Dec. 31, 1954.

Alderman DeWolf then declined the nomination and His Worship the Mayor declared Mr. A. M. Butler duly appointed to the Board of School Commissioners for a term of 3 years expiring Dec. 31, 1954.

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QUALIFICATIONS A. M. SMITH

Alderman Vaughan brought up the question of the qualifications of the above named and asked if he were eligible to sit as a member of the Board of School Commissioners and if he had the qualifications of an Alderman to which the City Assessor advised that he could not qualify as an Alderman.

Alderman Vaughan then stated that the City Council had to declare Mr. Smith as ineligible.

Read letter from Mr. A. M. Smith as follows:

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

Dear Sir:-

Will you please read this letter to the City Council in the event that my eligibility to sit on the School Board is questioned.

I wish to advise the City Council that immediately after I was appointed a school commissioner, I consulted with Alderman J. G. DeWolf (who nominated me after inviting me to allow my name to be proposed) and City Assessor J. F. McManus concerning the fact that I did not hold the required tax qualifications because my home is in the name of my wife.

At that time, I was willing to take steps to obtain proper qualification, but was advised that it was unnecessary to act as the matter probably would never be challenged.

The City Council should keep in mind the fact that at that time it was the policy to interest citizens to make a contribution to the public service by serving on the School Board, and it was my wish to make such a contribution that prompted me to accept the appointment. At all times I have participated in the discussions of the Board and have voted on questions in a way that I believed to be in the best interests of progressive education and its related costs.

Yours very truly,

A. M. Smith,
(Albert M. Smith)

City Solicitor: "There is a matter of legal rights involved in this. It is to be decided in a court. Any citizen could challenge the right of any member to sit on the Board. The Council has no authority to withdraw or recall any appointee made by it to the School Board. That authority would have to be given in the Statute. As far as this meeting is concerned, Council has

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no power to recall a member of the School Board. There is nothing that can be done about it."

Alderman Vaughan then read Section 899 of the City Charter dealing with the qualifications of a School Commissioner.

City Solicitor: "The Council cannot act as Judge whether he is disqualified. Who is to determine that he is not qualified?"

Alderman Vaughan: "Here is the law and the Assessor says he is not qualified."

City Solicitor: "Till that seat is vacated he is still on there by appointment from the Council. There is now power given to anyone but the Court to compel compliance with the Statute."

Alderman Vaughan: "The citizen representation should be at least one-half on the Board since the school spending is nearly \$2,000,000.00. If a person is not taxed, he should not have any say in how much we are going to spend on education."

No further action was taken on this matter.

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

Meeting adjourned. 11:30 P. M.

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