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FIRE BARRINGTON & NORTH STREETS

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council,

From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: March 9, 1953

Subject: Fire - Barrington and North Streets, Tuesday, February
24, 1953.

Reproduced below is the report of the Provincial Fire
Marshal on the disastrous fire at the above mentioned
address.

PROVINCE OF NOVA SCOTIA

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

FIRE MARSHAL BRANCH

FIRE NO. 193 - HALIFAX, N. S., SOUTH WEST CORNER OF BARRINGTON & NORTH
STREETS, TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24th, 1953

At this location there are a group of frame buildings, three floors in height at the Barrington Street level. The ground slopes steeply to the west so that the second floor of these buildings is level with grade at that point. The building in which the fire started is partly occupied on the Barrington Street level by a grocery store, and the rest of the building was divided into small living quarters. They were fitted with electric lights and heated with stoves of various types. The rooms were small and therefore, overcrowded. The stairway in the building was of the open type and the interior finish of the building was of light highly flammable material. Some of the partitions were constructed of wood lath and plaster and a good deal of this remained after the fire indicating that it has some value in preventing the rapid spread of fire. The other flammable wall finish simply disappeared in the fire and had a lot to do with the spread of the fire.

Loss of Life - the following persons were killed in this fire Mrs. Robert Harvey and their four infant children ages one, two, three and four. The bodies of these five people were found in their beds and it is evident that they had not moved, in other words they were asphyxiated and died in their sleep. Mr. Harvey who occupied the same room as the rest of his family was very severely burned and for sometime it was doubtful if he would recover. He is still in a very serious condition. The Harveys occupied a small kitchen on the east side of the building at the Barrington Street level, their bedroom was partly underground and located on the west side of the building. Size of this bedroom was about ten feet square. Patrick Furlong and his wife and five year old boy lived immediately above the Harvey rooms. These three people died in the fire and it would appear that Mr. Furlong was outside the building for a while moving his car and was seen to re-enter the burning building. Later his body and that of his wife and son were found. His wife was found in the Harvey bedroom where she had evidently fallen down a light well and through the window opening and died in the southwest corner of the Harvey bedroom. The bodies of Mr. Furlong and his five year old son were found in this same light well, the body of the boy was under that of his father. It looks as if all three had fallen down that light well. Sailor from a British Submarine who was engaged in rescue work and who was almost overcome in this same shaft, felt something brush by him and later found evidence of burned skin on his rain coat.

Discovery of Fire - The names of the persons who first

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discovered this fire are not yet known. There is a rumor that somebody saw this fire as early as 4:30 A.M. but, if this rumor is correct, no action was taken by any person. So far, the earliest witnesses to the fire are two sailors from the British submarine then in port. They were coming along Barrington Street at 4:50 A.M. when they saw Robert Harvey tumble out of the front door of his home. He was partly dressed and his clothing was on fire. Apparently these two sailors then went around to the back of the building and so did Mr. Harvey. These two sailors asked Mr. Harvey if there was anything they could do and if there was anybody in the building and Harvey said, his wife and children were there. The sailor named Dickenson went around to the back with Harvey and tore off a heavy cover from the light well and was practically overcome with the heat of the fire, flames and smoke, his clothing was scorched. It was then that he felt the body coming down the light well brushing by him. This light well served the purpose of giving light to the Harvey bedroom, it was about four feet deep and about 50 inches long and 40 inches wide.

Alarm - There was a long period before the alarm was put in. The sailors saw this fire at 4:50 A.M. but the first notification of fire did not reach Fire Alarm Headquarters until 5:09 A.M., nineteen minutes after it was discovered by the sailors. The described condition of the fire when the sailors discovered it indicates that there was a heavy fire in the Harvey quarters. One of the sailors tried to make his way up a drain pipe and flames reached him and caused him to drop, the name of this man is Wilson.

Fire Department Action - Once the alarm was received they moved out at once, the nearest station was West Street, at the same time men and apparatus moved out of Bedford Row, and Morris Street and arrived in that order at the fire. At this time the building and firemen went to work rapidly and efficiently. The Chief of the Fire Department arrived about the same time. Photographs taken during the progress of the fire indicate that strong streams of water were available, the Fire Department used ten 2½ inch streams in all. There were no Fire Department breakdowns or delays and there was plenty of water.

Investigation - All the Fire Services and Police Force located in the city of Halifax have a standard arrangement that when a serious fire incident occurs the Fire Marshal Branch, the Fire Department Investigation Service and the Police work together, and start their work immediately. The work of investigation is practically completed with the exception of ascertaining whether or not anyone saw this fire before the two sailors found it at 4:50 A. M. From the condition of the fire it is certain that it was burning with considerable volume long before 4:50 A. M.

Cause of Fire - It is not possible to definitely determine what happened to start this fire. It is definite that it started in the Harvey kitchen. There were only two things in this kitchen that could start a fire, one is the electric light installation which appeared to be in good condition. There is the stove which was a kitchen range of good quality and in good condition after the fire. In the southwest corner of the kitchen there was a large wooden box evidently used for the purpose of keeping coal, wood and other kindling. A spark from any source dropping into this box would start a fire. The installation of the stove pipe was defective, while the quality of the pipe and condition of the pipe was good it was in close contact with frame wall board and with the butt ends of wooden laths. All the flammable wall board was destroyed in this area and the wood lath is burned where it was in contact at some time with the stove pipe. It was noted during the investigation that the fire box of the stove contained coal

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and that it appeared that the stove had been banked, the control draft of the stove was open. Who opened it and when it was opened is not known. Mr. Harvey reported that there was no fire in the stove when he went to bed.

Method of Investigation - In this case all relevant information has been obtained by visual observation and by interviewing the persons who had direct knowledge of the events recorded here.

Recommendations - There have been, in the past few years, several regrettable fires in which there has been heavy loss of life. It is a known fact that in the city of Halifax and elsewhere grave conditions of over-crowding exist and this will not be overcome until a great deal of new construction is available. In the meantime it is folly to continue to use highly flammable finishes on interior partitions. These are the factors that have led to the terrible losses of life. The Fire Marshal respectfully observes that further investigation will not give us any more information than we now possess. The Fire Marshal brings to the attention of the city Authorities the courageous action of the two sailors from the British Navy who did all they could to save life. Also to bring to the attention of the City Authorities the continued highly efficient service of the City Fire Department both in the fire fighting force and to the detachment who are responsible for Fire Prevention Inspection work.

(Sgd.) S. S. Wright, Fire Marshal.

To a non-technical person there are two points which stand out in this report. They are the fire-retarding effect of lath and plaster and the condemnation of flammable finishes on interior partitions.

Some cities require the construction of firewalls at certain intervals or between separate living quarters. Such walls are of brick and are very expensive to construct because they must be inserted under adverse building conditions. In some instances requiring such walls has resulted in the demolition of buildings and new construction as being cheaper and more satisfactory in the long run.

The use of wire lath and plaster would act as a fire retardent and is economically sound if a building is worth fixing at all. Such a requirement while putting landlords to expense might strike a proper balance between the necessity for protecting human life and rents for living accommodation which must be high enough to pay for the suggested changes yet not high enough to prevent payment by tenants.

The Council may wish to take some action concerning the two British sailors.

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

Alderman Lane: "I read the report with considerable care. There were a number of things that struck me as being vitally important. I think on the recommendation of the Fire Chief and City Manager we should pass a vote of commendation to the young British Sailors who made an effort to save lives. There was a disastrous stretch of time between the arrival of these boys and the turning in of the alarm. That

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delay could have meant the difference between lives saved and lives lost."

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the two British Sailors be commended for their services in connection with the fire at the corner of North & Barrington Streets and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the local Naval Authorities so it will reach the proper superior officer. Motion passed.

ASBESTOS FIRE RESISTING SUITS

Alderman Kitz requested the City Manager to investigate the matter of obtaining proper asbestos suits to be worn by Firemen while engaged in fire fighting and report to the Safety Committee.

SUSPENSION BUILDING PERMITS NORTH
AND BARRINGTON STREETS AREA

Alderman DeWolf suggested that consideration be given to the matter of holding back building permits temporarily for buildings in the North and Barrington Streets area because the land may be purchased for the eventual widening of the corner. He said the Bridge Commission was meeting next day and the matter would come up. He felt the permits should be stopped.

City Manager: "We have had meetings about that very thing and we are having a meeting tomorrow. We are going to do something about that corner."

His Worship the Mayor: "The Building Inspector should not act with undue haste in the matter of issuing permits."

HOUSING AUTHORITY APPOINTMENTS

His Worship the Mayor advised that he had received a letter of resignation from Mr. J. D. Vair which he read at this time.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the resignation be accepted. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor read a telegram he had sent to Mr. Mansur at Ottawa in this connection.

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He also said the Minister's recommendations for replacements were Mrs. A. M. Hunter, Messrs. H. A. Shea and W. Murphy.

Alderman Vaughan wanted to know if the qualifications of these people were equal to those of Miss Haliburton and Mr. Vair.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that Mrs. A. M. Hunter be appointed a member of the Housing Authority.

Alderman Lane: "I have no objection to Mrs. Hunter. I had in mind a woman who had a background of social work. We should have someone on that board who has a knowledge of that type of work. I am going to vote against this nomination."

His Worship the Mayor: "The Authority has to get into action at the earliest possible moment. It is my opinion that we should finalize it tonight."

Alderman Vaughan: "Did we agree to submit the names and secure the approval of the Minister before we set up the Housing Authority?"

His Worship the Mayor: "It does not appear in the agreement. It says we will set up a Housing Authority after consultation with C. M. & H. C. The slate originally suggested was my own slate in the beginning. The agreement was thoroughly lived up to."

Alderman Vaughan: "Will this authority receive applications and screen them and pick successful applicants for these houses?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Very definitely. That is one of their functions."

The motion was put and passed with Aldermen Vaughan, Allen and Lane wishing to be recorded against.

Alderman O'Malley nominated Mr. Murphy.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Mr. Shea.

His Worship the Mayor: "Labor passed a resolution that it wanted representation on this Board and recommended Mr. Shea."

The two names were then voted on and resulted with Mr. Shea receiving 11 votes and Mr. Murphy 3, as follows:

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FOR MR. SHEA

Alderman Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Fox
Hatfield
Kitz
Lane
Lloyd
Macdonald
MacMillan
Moriarty

FOR MR. MURPHY

Alderman Allen
O'Malley
Vaughan

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His Worship the Mayor outlined his reasons for not nominating Mr. Shea as recommended by the Trades and Labor Council as (1) Mr. Shea occupies an emergency shelter and (2) He has an application in for one of the Bayers Road houses.

Alderman Lloyd suggested that Mr. Shea may have the good grace to withdraw his application.

Alderman Lane expressed herself as being dissatisfied with the attitude taken in the matter of the appointment of the Housing Authority.

BOTTLENECK AT FAIRVIEW

Alderman Fox asked what progress had been made with respect to the elimination of the bottleneck at Fairview.

His Worship the Mayor: "After conferring with the Minister of Highways, it was agreed that we seek the services of a qualified traffic engineer with the City and the Province sharing the costs. There is a letter on my desk advising that he had made efforts to secure a qualified traffic engineer from two States and both were unsuccessful efforts. He is considering a man from the Department of Highways in Ontario and the matter can be finalized in a short time."

PARKING ON ROBIE STREET QUEEN ELIZABETH
HIGH SCHOOL

Alderman Macdonald said that he had received several calls with respect to a traffic problem on Robie Street in front of the Queen Elizabeth High School caused by cars being parked in front of the School thereby leaving a narrow roadway for traffic to pass by.

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He requested the Traffic Authority to report on same.

BELLEVUE PROPERTY QUEEN STREET

City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,

His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council.

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Bellevue Property -- Queen Street

When the property on Queen Street was sold to the Provincial Government it was agreed the City could have the buildings thereon or leave them.

One small building by Council authority was sold to the City Field Union for \$1.00. A small house on the corner of the property is of no value to the City and unless Council objects the Province will be advised of that fact and permitted to tear it down.

City Manager.

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

TRAFFIC SITUATION CORNER BEECH ST. AND QUINPOOL ROAD

Alderman Macdonald: "Has the City Manager any report on the traffic situation at the corner of Beech Street and Quinpool Road?"

City Manager: "The Chief of Police has it under advisement."

Alderman Macdonald: "Have you the report as to whether a traffic policeman is necessary or is traffic bad enough to warrant it?"

City Manager: "We were asked to look into the parking on Beech Street and Kline Street."

Alderman Macdonald: "That was part of it. There seems to be some congestion at certain times in the afternoon."

SPEEDING ON AGRICOLA STREET

Alderman O'Malley: "The speed limit in the City is 30 miles. A youngster was hit on Agricola Street. I think the traffic is too fast. I would like to have the matter taken up with the Chief of Police to see the speed limit reduced from the general limit."

His Worship the Mayor: "Chebucto Road was the scene of a bad

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accident where a child was killed. The speed item was said to have been a cause."

Alderman Lloyd: "Has the Safety Committee considered the possibility of some safety school for members of the Department on some stepped up basis?"

City Manager: "I talked with Chief Mitchell a long time ago."

Alderman Lloyd: "I am thinking more of the high school student who becomes a driver. You may have to take one man on the Department and assign him with that duty. Alderman Fox is on the Safety Committee and I pass it along to the Safety Committee as a suggestion."

CHANGES IN LEGISLATION Re: ELECTION PROCEDURE

His Worship the Mayor: "We placed in the legislation that notices be sent out notifying the public where they vote. It provided that the notice be sent out in the years 1955, 1956 and 1957. We recommended the change of Nomination Day to 14 days prior to election day. I don't think there was consideration in relation to the new duties imposed on the Collector. In view of the short time the Collector has to do this we have made certain representations with respect to that piece of legislation. It is still possible for us to have the legislation amended to provide that these notices shall go out starting in 1953 and that official Nomination Day remain at 21 days prior to the date of the election."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Fox that the Mayor's recommendation be endorsed by the City Council. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the City Solicitor be instructed to present the above matters to the Private and Local Bills Committee. Motion passed.

ADVANCE POLL

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that City Council approve of the holding of an advanced poll for civic elections this year subject to the passing of the legislation presently

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being considered by the Legislature.

Motion passed.

RETIREMENT CAPTAIN ARTHUR GIBSON

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

The Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Chief of the Fire Department respecting a request from Captain Arthur W. Gibson to be retired on superannuation.

Your Committee recommends that Captain Arthur W. Gibson be superannuated as from May 1st next under the authority of Section 868 of the City Charter at an annual allowance of \$2,710.65.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

MOTION ALDERMAN BREEN Re: STEVENSON & KELLOGG LTD.

Alderman Breen: "The matter was deferred and the Council requested the members be supplied with complete transactions of the minutes. It is immaterial to me what they want to do with it. I would suggest that the press print a copy of the report."

Alderman Vaughan: "Alderman Breen should be prepared to place this matter before Council. I asked for information to be tabled and I read it. I think Alderman Breen should follow the matter up."

Alderman Breen: "I presented the thing on many occasions. I am not going to go through the matter again."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kitz that a copy of the City Manager's report be forwarded to Stevenson & Kellogg Limited to invite their explanations and comments. Motion passed.

STREET LINES GREENWOOD AVENUE

Moved by Alderman Moriarty that this matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board for further consideration and Messrs. Archibald, Pond and Waugh requested to be present.

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Alderman Moriarty: "The Eastern Trust Company is willing to give a quit claim deed to Mr. Archibald."

City Manager: "There are two lots in the MacDonald estate which are also involved. It is just a matter of these people getting title before the street is closed. The plan is going through and they have to make their arrangements as it is privately owned land."

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the matter be deferred for one month. Motion passes.

STREET LINES MacKINTOSH, BAYNE AND FORRESTER STREETS

W H E R E A S the City Council of the City of Halifax has considered the laying down of official street lines of MacKintosh Street from Lady Hammond Road to Forrester Street, and also Bayne Street and Forrester Street;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of section 547 of the City Charter public notice of the intention has been given by advertisement inserted at least once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper published in the City, the first of such notices having been published at least three clear weeks before the 15th day of January, A. D. 1953;

AND WHEREAS the City Council did meet on the said 15th day of January, A. D. 1953, that being the day appointed by the Council to consider the matter;

AND WHEREAS the said notice stated the intention of the Council to lay the said official street lines, and the date of the meeting of the Council appointed for the consideration of the matter, and that the plan showing such street lines may be inspected at the office of the Commissioner of Works at any time during office hours up to the day so appointed for consideration of the matter;

AND WHEREAS the Council has considered the said matter and has determined to lay the street lines in the manner set out

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on the said plan filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works and known as Section 7E of the Official City Plan;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that, pursuant to the authority in it vested by Section 547 of the City Charter as aforesaid, the Official City Plan of the City be amended by laying down the official street lines of MacKintosh Street from Lady Hammond Road to Forrester Street, and also Bayne and Forrester Street in the manner shown on the said plan and known as Section 7E of the Official City Plan;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the official street lines of MacKintosh Street from Lady Hammond Road to Forrester Street, and also Bayne and Forrester Streets so laid down be so indicated on the Official Plan of the City and on the copy thereof filed in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia;

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Allen wishing to be recorded against.

INFORMATION ITEMS ONLY

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the following information items be accepted and filed. Motion passed.

1. Approvals of Minister of Municipal Affairs
 - (a) Amendment to Ordinance respecting Petty Trades.
 - (b) " " " " Ferries & Public Landings.
2. Active Borrowing Resolutions.
3. Tax Collections Month of February.
4. Administrative Report City Manager.
5. Tax Rate \$9.95 per hundred.
6. Annual Report City Assessor.

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF JANUARY 1953

Year	Reserves	O/S Balance December 31/52	New Accounts & Adjustments	January Collections	O/S Balance January 31/53.
1950	\$67,616.75	\$ 70,498.99 Cr.	\$ 133.80	\$5,086.13	\$ 65,279.06
1951	59,338.18	223,902.70 Cr.	89.67	10,067.61	213,745.42
1952	70,093.75	625,454.23 Cr.	2,745.34	62,734.07	559,974.82
		\$919,855.92 Cr.	\$2,968.81	\$77,887.81	\$838,999.30
<u>POLL TAXES</u>					
		\$22,237.70		\$ 4.40	\$22,233.30
1943 - 44		2,642.55		17.23	2,625.32
1952		20,243.93		2,540.28	17,703.65
<u>ADDITIONAL COLLECTIONS</u>					
Arrears 1925-26 to 1949.				1953	1952
Corresponding Period Last Year.				\$ 329.22	\$ 5,030.84
Collections as Statement Above.				77,887.81	65,326.94
Corresponding Period Last Year.				\$78,217.03	\$70,357.78
Collection Poll Taxes Jan. 1st. to Jan. 31st. 1953				\$5,050.78	\$3,659.07
Corresponding Period Last Year.					

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF FEBRUARY 1953.

<u>CIVIC YEAR</u>	<u>RESERVES</u>	<u>O/S BALANCE JAN. 31/53.</u>	<u>NEW ACCOUNTS & ADJUSTMENTS</u>	<u>FEBRUARY COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>O/S BALANCE FEB. 28/53.</u>
1951	\$59,352.93	\$213,745.42	Cr. 3,237.65	\$ 12,393.32	\$198,114.45
1952	70,135.75	559,974.82	Dr. 107.82	34,458.43	525,624.21
		\$773,720.24	Cr. 3,129.83	\$ 46,851.75	\$723,738.66

POLL TAXES

1943 - 44	\$22,233.30			\$ 13.00	\$22,220.30
1944 - 45	2,625.32			6.81	2,618.51
1952	17,703.65	Dr. \$9.30		2,440.63	15,272.32

ADDITIONAL COLLECTIONS

	<u>1953</u>	<u>1952</u>
Arrears 1925-26 to 1950	\$13,689.52	\$24,107.15
Corresponding Period Last Year		
Collections as Statement Above	46,851.75	40,423.10
Corresponding Period Last Year		
	<u>\$60,541.27</u>	<u>\$64,530.25</u>

Collection Poll Taxes Jan. 1st. to Feb. 28th, 1953. \$9,989.70
 Corresponding Period Last Year \$7,107.45

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald,
 CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council.

From: City Manager, A. A. De Bard, Jr.,

Date: March 14, 1953

Subject: Monthly Administrative Report for February, 1953

1. Snow & Ice Control.

In spite of two fifteen inch snow falls, the first of which fell at a bad time of the day, we were able to keep total costs for the month of February to \$ 20,980.13. Salting was necessary on 17 days, plowing streets on 11 days, four of which accounted for the bulk of the expense. By categories of expense they were as follows:-

1. Filling sand boxes	139.34
2. Repairs to snow fences	154.94
3. Repairs to equipment	2,604.88
4. Salting streets - labor	1,391.98
5. " " materials 4250 bags	4,080.00
6. Plowing streets	2,829.86
7. Clearing city property	574.53
8. Snow Removal (hauling)	4,818.93
9. Intersections & Crosswalks	1,317.56
10. Cutting curb bars	15.01
11. Clearing catchpit inlets	887.18
12. Stores & supplies	2,165.92
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Total for month	\$ 20,980.13

Mr. Copp, his staff and all workers at City Field are to be commended on a job well done at a very reasonable cost.

2. City Home Addition.

Progress is being made on laying of linoleum in the upper wards and dining room floors, plastering in kitchen, kitchen tile, floor and walls. The elevator steel door frames have been installed.

Excavation	100%
Masonry	100%
Roofing	100%
Carpentry	98%
Lath & plaster	95%
Glazing	95%
Metal doors and frames	90%
Electrical	90%
Heating	90%
Sprinkler System	90%
Plumbing	85%
Hardware	75%
Linoleum	60%
Ventilation	50%
Terrazzo & Tile	45%
Acoustic tile	30%
Painting	20%
Refrigeration	5%

3. City Field

Other than snow and salt activity 15 miles of street were swept by hand and 52 miles by mechanical sweeper. Mild weather permitted us to clean 150 catchpits. 14 tons of cold patch was used to repair holes on paved streets and 9 tons on stone and oiled streets.

4. Street Lights & Wiring Inspections.

During January and February 1953, 111 new street lights were installed in the prefab district which is now complete. 791 wiring inspections were made with permit fees of \$1,303.59.

A. A. DeBard
City Manager.

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

Meeting adjourned.

10:00 P. M.

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R. A. Donahoe
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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 13, 1953,
4:07 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 Deputy City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Macdonald, Adams, Kitz, Fox, Allen and MacMillan.

The meeting was called specially to approve of formal resolution necessary to authorize holding of Advance Poll.

HOLDING OF ADVANCE POLL

His Worship the Mayor: "You will recall that we provided Legislation for the holding of an Advance Poll. The Legislation says there may be an Advance Poll provided the Council passes a motion providing for it at least fourteen days before the polling day. We previously passed a resolution authorizing an Advance Poll when the Legislation was passed or on the passing of the Legislation by the Legislature. But the Solicitor says it may be open to question and he thought it necessary to call this Special Meeting of Council to pass a formal resolution."

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Fox that under the authority of subsection (1) of Section 63A that it be and is hereby declared that the ratepayers defined in said subsection (1) of Section 63A may vote in advance of the polling day for the regular civic elections to be held on the 29th day of April 1953, and at ensuing civic elections, until otherwise determined by this

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Council, at an Advance Poll or Polls provided under the authority of said Section 63A. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Allen that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

4:15 P. M.

LIST OF HEADLINES

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R. A. Donahoe
R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY
APRIL 16, 1953

A G E N D A

Prayer
 Minutes

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3. " " " " " " London Street.
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18. Permission I.O.D.E. to sell Coronation Buttons.
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20. Tenders Duplicating Equipment.
21. Use of King Fisher on Boy Scouts Insignia.
22. Exemption Housing Authority from Rental Control.
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24. Tourist Promotion. Appropriation \$100.00 Mayor's Contingent Account.
25. Renewal Loan Forum Commission \$15,000.00.
26. Damage to Tree - Connaught Avenue.
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28. Closing City Collectors Office Election Day, April 29, 1953.
29. Account Halifax County Vocational High School.
30. Settlement of Accounts Children's and Victoria General Hospitals.
31. Appropriation Coronation Day Committee \$350.00.
32. Brief Town of Mulgrave.
33. Tenders Cars, Motorcycles and Truck - Police Department.
34. Tenders Uniforms etc. - Police & Fire Departments & Prison Guards.
35. Arm Patrol Appointment.
36. Damage Fire Department Pumper.
37. Insurance Releases.
38. Approval Names of Streets:-

<u>Present Name</u>	<u>New Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
Devonshire Avenue	South Devonshire Ave.	Barrington to Hanover.
Devonshire Avenue	North Devonshire Ave.	Ross to Duffus
Duffus Street	Duff Street	Windsor St. to Kempt Rd.
Colchester Road	Balmoral Road	

39. Butler Bros. vs. City of Halifax
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46. Overhanging Signs.
47. Richmond Street Widening.
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49. Purchase Arc Welder.
50. Approval Street Lights:- Cornwall Street - Mott Street - York Street.
Pryor Street - Prince Arthur Street.
51. Application Rezoning 30 Vernon Street.
52. " " 80 Inglis Street.
53. Resubdivision of Land - S. Butler (Scotvale)
54. " " - Bellevue Street.
55. " " Lots 22 - 28 Edgewood.
56. Public Works Organization.
57. Armdale Ferry Lease.
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59. Appointment Recreation & Playgrounds Commission.
60. Application Lynch Shows Use of Commons June 15 to July 4, 1953.
61. " Scotia Branch Can. Legion Use Commons July 27 to Aug 8/53.
62. Lease Facilities C. M. & H. C. at Manning Pool.
63. Questions.
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(1) Greenwood Avenue Street Line

INFORMATION ITEMS

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EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 16, 1953,
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, Macdonald, Adams, Fox, Allen, 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 Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Allen that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING REZONING E/S DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD

His Worship the Mayor advised that Mr. J. E. Rutledge, M.L.A. wished to address the Council on this matter and would be present later in the evening and for that reason suggested that the Item be deferred temporarily which was agreed to by Council.

PUBLIC HEARING MODIFICATION LOT AREA BEAUFORT SUBDIVISION

A Public Hearing into the matter of the modification of the lot area of a lot of land on Beaufort Avenue being lot #35 of the Beaufort Subdivision was held on the above date.

The hearing was duly advertised as required by the City Charter and written objections were received from the following:

1. Mr. Robert L. Stailing
2. Dr. Wallace M. Roy
3. Dr. Claude Keays
4. T. H. Coffin, Q. C. on behalf of Mr. K. Tambon

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5. Mr. C. M. Cameron
6. Mr. H. E. Dickson

Mr. Day advised there was no sewer or water servicing the lot and the City would have to extend the sewer at a cost of approximately \$1,000.00 of which \$225.00 would return by way of assessment.

8:05 P. M. Aldermen Lloyd and O'Malley arrive.

His Worship the Mayor asked if any persons were appearing against.

Mr. T. H. Coffin, Q. C. appeared on behalf of Mr. K. Tambon who was opposed to the granting of the permit as the building would be too close to the street line and would have a serious affect on the value and appearance of the other properties.

His Worship the Mayor asked if any person were appearing in favor to which there was no reply.

Alderman Lane asked if the owner was aware of the restriction when he bought the lot and did he propose to occupy the building he proposes to erect.

Mr. Day could not answer the first question, but advised the owner did not intend to occupy the building himself as it was not he who applied for the permit.

8:10 P. M. Alderman Kitz arrives.

Alderman DeWolf said that the Town Planning Board was at fault somewhere along the line, in allowing this lot to be approved in a subdivision.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Lane that the modification of the lot area be not granted.

His Worship the Mayor: "Were our Zoning regulations in force when this subdivision was approved?"

Mr. Day: "No."

The motion was then put and passed.

PUBLIC HEARING MODIFICATION LOT AREA LOT ON LONDON STREET

A Public Hearing into the matter of the modification of the lot area of a lot of land on London Street was held on the above date.

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same having been advertised as required by the City Charter.

His Worship the Mayor asked if anyone were opposed to the application.

The City Clerk read a resolution from the Halifax North Civic Improvement Association requesting City Council to confirm its decision within the meaning of the approved Master Plan and refuse the application.

Mr. Kenneth Smith appeared on behalf of the applicant Mr. Clyde Menchions and addressed the Council as follows:
"Mr. Menchions wants a 3 unit occupancy. He is just one-sixth short of land area and the lot cannot be extended. Directly across the street there is a disused shed which I believe was an old mattress factory. On one side of this lot there is a green house of the Windsor Gardens and across the street is the Forum. No adjacent owner has opposed this at all. We ask for your favorable consideration, so he can get on with the job of providing 3 more housing units in the City."

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Allen that the application be granted.

Alderman O'Malley: "Do these regulations apply to all districts? In commercial areas, do the same regulations apply? A residential property can be constructed in a Commercial area? There was a house moved from Agricola Street to North Street."

Mr. Day: "That is a business zone. In a commercial zone a person wishing to erect a single family dwelling must have a lot with a 40 ft. frontage and 4000 sq. ft. in area. In a business zone the same rules apply as in 1st and 2nd density residential areas. In a 3rd density area there are no requirements for lot area as long as you do not build on more than 50% of the lot and keep the side yard regulations. That is the case of North Street."

Alderman DeWolf: "How many feet above grade does the basement apartment have to be? Can the people get a proper amount of light?"

Mr. Day: "The finished floor shall not be more than 4 feet

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below grade."

Alderman DeWolf: "Years ago the Building Inspector frowned on these basement apartments. The people living in these basement apartments should be provided with plenty of daylight."

Mr. Day: "We also require a height of 7 ft. 6 inches. Ten percent of the floor area must be in window area."

Alderman Lloyd: "Would Mr. Day, if he were an Alderman, think it reasonable to support this request?"

Mr. Day: "I personally have no objection to this application. If I were an Alderman I would probably vote for it. The man on the other side of the street said he was not objecting to it."

Alderman Lane: "I think a number of citizens are very often creating basement apartments in their buildings without the knowledge of the Building Inspector. I think it is going on in a number of areas in this City. People are living in them and very often a permit is not even granted. Is that correct Mr. Day?"

Alderman Breen arrives 8:30 P. M.

Mr. Day: "We have found that there are several cases where no permits have been issued. We are clamping down on them."

Alderman Vaughan: "Are these regulations on basement apartments part of our Building Code or not?"

Mr. Day: "The greater proportion are. The Building Code requires 8 feet headroom. We have been allowing 7 feet 6 inches, which is done in Canada and U. S. A. The light area is covered in the Charter."

The motion was then put and passed.

TAG DAYS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 Tag Days were recommended for approval:

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1. Kiwanis Club - Saturday, May 23, 1953.
2. " " " Sept. 26, 1953 (1954)
3. Salvation Army " June 6, 1953.
4. Padagean Club " June 13, 1953.
5. Scouts Apple Day " Oct. 3, 1953.
6. Poppy Day " Nov. 7, 1953.
7. Edward Cornwallis Chapter I.O.D.E. " July 4, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

EMPLOYMENT ARCHITECTS BOARD SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 a request from the Board of School Commissioners to employ an architect or architects in connection with a proposal to erect two fourteen room schools was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and an amount not exceeding \$10,000.00 be provided for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved; the funds required for same to be provided under the authority of Section 326 "C" of the City Charter. Motion passed unanimously.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

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

From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: April 13, 1953

Subject: Accounts over \$500.00

In accordance with Section 119F of the City Charter, the

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following accounts are submitted for Council's approval.
These accounts have been certified and audited.

DEPARTMENT	VENDOR	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
Memorial Library	Nathaniel Dame & Co.	Books	\$ 599.19
Emergency Shelters	C. S. Barnhouse	Carpenter Repairs	550.50
Finance & Accounting(Stores)	Canadian Industries Limited	Forcits & Caps	970.27
Finance & Accounting	Wood Motors(N.S.)Ltd.	Fuel Pump, Tubes, Brake Drums, Pressure Plate, Wheel Nuts & Bolts.	1,076.90

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

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

ACQUISITION PROPERTY FOR SCHOOLYARD ALEXANDRA SCHOOL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 City Manager respecting the acquisition of several properties for school ground purposes at Alexandra School was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the properties listed be acquired by negotiation with the owners and that when the total amount is known that the funds be provided from the Land Sale Account subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council.

From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: March 19, 1953.

Subject: Alexandra School - Acquisition of Property for Schoolyard.

The Board of School Commissioners have requested that the City acquire for school ground purposes the following properties. Their present occupancy and assessed values are shown below.

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Property	Occupants		Land	Assessed Value	
	Adults	Children		Improvements	Total
40 Cornwallis St.	5	5	300.00	2400.00	2700.00
2 Alexandra Place	3	2	200.00	1400.00	1600.00
4 " "	2	6	200.00	1000.00	1200.00
6 " "	4	-	200.00	1400.00	1600.00
8 " "	2	2	200.00	1300.00	1500.00
10 " "	11	3	300.00	2000.00	2300.00
31 Maitland St.	-	-	100.00	-	100.00
35-37 " "	6	6	100.00	700.00	800.00
43 " "	1	-	100.00	400.00	500.00
45 " "	1	2	100.00	400.00	500.00
	<u>35</u>	<u>26</u>	<u>1800.00</u>	<u>11,000.00</u>	<u>12,800.00</u>

Will Council indicate if these properties are to be acquired and demolished.

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the City Assessor be named to negotiate for the properties. Motion passed.

ST. PATRICK'S GIRLS' SCHOOLYARD

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 City Manager respecting the demolition of buildings #72 and #74 Brunswick Street, owned by the City, to make available space for the schoolyard at St. Patrick's Girls' School was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the tenants occupying these properties be notified to vacate same on August 1, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

April 16, 1953.

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q.C.,
and Members of City Council,
From: City Manager A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: March 19, 1953
Subject: St. Patrick's Girls' Schoolyard.

The Board of School Commissioners have requested that the City demolish two buildings owned by the City to make the space available for the schoolyard at St. Patrick's Girls' School. The properties are #72 and #74 Brunswick Street. Two families occupy these premises, four adults of whom three are roomers at 72 Brunswick Street and 2 adults and 8 children at 74 Brunswick Street, a total of fourteen people who will be displaced.

These should be demolished by acceptance of tenders, which must be preceded by eviction proceedings. Will Council direct me to proceed with eviction?

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman O'Malley
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ATTENDANCE AT CONVENTIONS

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: March 18, 1953.
Subject: Attendance at Conventions

After a meeting of Department Heads it was decided to allocate the \$2,000.00 for conventions to the following personnel. Permission is requested from Council for all to be approved at the one time rather than to have them considered piecemeal.

Submission of these names does not indicate there are no other conventions at which the City of Halifax should have representation but that we can suggest no others with the limited funds at our disposal. Messrs. Publicover and McManus and the writer have decided to forego conventions this year. At the time the budget was passed I informed the Council that \$700.00 in the Police Budget for travelling and instruction did not include money for conventions. Chief Mitchell points out that convention expenses were included in this amount - my error. He intends to attend a convention at Vancouver, and the Maritime convention at St. John, combined cost \$550.00

<u>Name</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
M. L. Bellew	Miami, Florida	\$ 350.00
C. P. Bethune	Washington, D. C.	300.00
A. P. Flynn	New York	200.00
F. C. MacGillivray	Toronto	200.00
A. R. Morton	Toronto	200.00
W. A. G. Snook	Detroit	300.00
Dr. C. J. W. Beckwith	New York	200.00
		<u>\$1,750.00</u>

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After some of these conventions have been attended we may have one or two suggestions if there are any funds left.

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield that the report be approved.

As there was no seconder to this motion the next item of business was then considered.

PURCHASE VOTING BOOTHS

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q.C.,
and Members of City Council,

From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: March 20, 1953

Subject: Voting Booth Quotations

The Finance & Executive Committee authorized the Manager to proceed with construction of 60 voting booths as per sample demonstrated to the Council on March 12, 1953. Since the Brookfield Bros. Ltd. quotation is much lower than any other, including that of City Field, the order was placed with them with delivery by April 15.

<u>Name of Bidder</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Total Price</u>
Brookfield Bros. Ltd.	11.50	690.00
City of Halifax	18.00	1,080.00
Dartmouth Lumber Co.	12.50	750.00
Halliday Craftsmen	17.00	1,020.00
MacCulloch Bldg. Products	19.50	1,170.00
West End Supplies	16.00	960.00
" " " Mortise & tenon	19.50	1,170.00

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

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

LEASE CLARK-RUSE HANGAR DARTMOUTH AIRPORT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 considered from the City Solicitor

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requesting approval of City Council to a renewal of the lease of the Clark-Ruse Hangar at the Dartmouth Airport between the City of Halifax and the Department of Transport and also to grant a sub-lease to Pulsifer Brothers Limited on a year to year basis.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

LETTER CITY OF QUEBEC Re: PLANNING FOR PROVINCIAL CAPITALS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 was read from the City Clerk of Quebec respecting a project designed to facilitate the development and improvement of the Provincial Capital Cities of Canada.

The letter suggested that the other Provincial Capital Cities should join with Quebec City in petitioning the Canadian Government for a special annual grant, at the rate of \$1.00 for each citizen of their respective Provinces, for a period of 10 years.

Your Committee recommends that His Worship the Mayor be requested to communicate with the Officials in Quebec City and offer his co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Kitz wishing to be recorded against.

MEDICAL ACCOUNTS POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 medical accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

Mr. Palmer Inglis	\$ 1.90
" " "	3.75
V. G. Hospital (Blundell)	4.00
V. G. Hospital (Thorpe)	4.00
Province of Nova Scotia Dept. of Health (Cst. Donald McDonald)	2.00

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Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

EXTENSION AND APPROPRIATION RENTAL CONTROL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 extension of Rental Control
and the Appropriation therefor to December 31, 1953 was considered.

Your Committee recommends that Rent Control be continued
until December 31, 1953 and that the sum of \$6700.00 be provided
under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter to defray
the expenses in connection therewith.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

The City Manager advised that there is only one clerk in
the Rental Office, as she has taken on additional duties he suggested
that she be paid at the rate of \$1,800.00 per annum, which is pro-
vided for in the budget.

This was agreed to and the motion was put and passed.

CHANGE ORDERS BAYERS ROAD HOUSING PROJECT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 City Manager
requesting approval to 15 change orders concerning the Bayers Road
Housing Project amounting to \$48,854.80.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved with
the exception of Item #13 "Cementing Asphalt Shingles."

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

April 16, 1953.

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council,
From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: April 13, 1953,
Subject: Bayers Road Housing Project - Change Orders

Since the inception of the Bayers Road Housing Project certain change orders have become necessary. A description and the amount involved appears below.

Eastern Excavators Ltd.

Change Order No. 1. Dispose of approx. 110,000
yards of material left
after grubbing \$ 1,500.00

Standard Construction Co.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
1.	Concrete, extra chimneys, basement windows and electrical outlets	\$ 3,915.60	
2.	Gutters and downspouts	28,857.64	
3.	Weeping tile	520.00	
4.	Slate roofing starting strips	597.31	
5.	Rock excavation and additional strips	963.50	
6.	Relocation of basement windows and coal bins	370.00	
7.	Substitution of hinges, basement windows		45.00
8.	Cancel No. 7	45.00	
9.	Substitution of hinges, basement window		48.00
10.	Additional cut and fill	3,921.25	
11.	Supply and installation of brass-plated letter slots	644.00	
12.	Floor in storage space under eaves of Type 40 and F. P. 13 houses	150.00	
13.	Cementing down asphalt shingles	2,708.00	
14.	Site cost for Buildings 47 to 51	4,755.50	
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		47,447.80	93.00
		93.00	
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		47,354.80	
	Credits		
	Total net changes		

Council approval is requested for these items. An amount of \$74,973.49 was provided for such contingencies, therefore no new authorization is necessary.

A. A. DeBard, Jr., City Manager.

April 16, 1953.

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

City Manager: "There were 14 change orders. Item #13 was for shingles at \$2,708.00. There was a feeling that that matter would not be necessary if the shingles were put on during the hot weather. I communicated with C. M. & H. C. I have a letter here in which they strongly recommend that these shingles be cemented down as it is a #210 shingle."

Alderman Hatfield: "Are we being asked to pay for something extra other than under the contract? There may be some of those 14 items included in the contract now."

City Manager: "They have the same copy of the contract as we have."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that all items be approved subject to the inspection of the contract by the City Solicitor. Amendment passed.

The motion was not put.

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY PENSION GRANTS YEAR 1953

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 City Manager advising that legislation has been obtained to pay the following Pension Grants.

1. Mrs. Edna May Feener	\$ 810.00
2. Mrs. Helen Gallagher	1,082.25
3. Mr. A. J. Smeltzer	1,020.00
4. Mrs. Mary Berrigan	492.00

Your Committee recommends that the Pension Grants be paid and the funds provided under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

AUTHORIZATION TO PAY GRANTS YEAR 1953

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 City Manager respecting the payment of City grants for which legislation has been obtained was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the grants be approved for payment in the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Lloyd: "The paper said something about a deficit. I believe Mr. DeBard was quoted."

City Manager: "This \$67,000.00 has no income estimated for that purpose. That is a standard phrasing Mr. Bellew always uses when these authorizations are added after the budget unless we have surplus funds."

Alderman Lloyd: "You were not opposed to the payments of these grants?"

City Manager: "No not at all."

His Worship the Mayor: "Next year these amounts will be included in the budget. The legislation is provided for and these grants will have been rated for and will be paid after legislative approval."

PERMISSION WOMEN'S AUXILIARY CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL TO SELL
CORONATION BUTTONS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held

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To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council,
From: City Manager, A. A. De Bard, Jr.,
Date: April 9, 1953
Subject: Authorization of Grants for 1953.

At the 1953 session of the Provincial Legislature, permissive legislation has been secured to pay the following grants:-

Nova Scotia College of Art	\$ 1500.00
Salvation Army (Red Shield Campaign)	2000.00
Canadian Cancer Society	500.00
Halifax Community Chest	6000.00
Canadian Red Cross (Nova Scotia Division)	2500.00
Canadian Red Cross (Homemakers' Service)	2000.00
Halifax Infirmary	10000.00
St. John Ambulance Association	750.00
The Children's Hospital (Halifax)	30000.00
Bengal Lancers of Halifax	1000.00
Halifax Musical Festival Association	500.00
Walter Callow Wheel Chair Coach Fund	500.00
Maritime Museum (Citadel Hill)	3500.00
Nova Scotia Opera Association	500.00
Grace Maternity Hospital	4000.00
Canadian Arthritis & Rheumatism Society	500.00
Maritime School of Social Work	500.00
John Howard Society	500.00
Monastery of the Good Shepherd	500.00
Total ---	<u>\$67,250.00</u>

City Council authority is required before we can pay the above items, and as we have made no provision in the 1953 Estimates, and there may not be sufficient surplus at the end of the period, the payment of these accounts could constitute a deficit in our 1953 current operation.

A. A. De Bard Jr.

City Manager.

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on the above date, it was agreed to recommend that permission be given the Women's Auxiliary of the Children's Hospital to sell Coronation Buttons on the various school grounds.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman L. A. [unclear], seconded by Alderman Kitz that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SUMMER BAND CONCERTS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 City Manager respecting summer band concerts in the Public Gardens was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved and that an agreement be prepared.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council,
From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: April 7, 1953,
Subject: Summer Band Concerts

I have received an offer from Mr. Percy F. Belyea, President of Local 571, American Federation of Musicians, to play the Summer Concerts in the Public Gardens.

His price is \$275.00 per concert for a 28 to 30 piece band, available from June 28 to September 6.

This band is an organization of the Union itself, formed expressly to play for the City at a price set for the City. Although the price is not low we are practically compelled to deal with this band and this band alone since no union member can play in another band unless the rates and conditions of playing are approved by the union. In other words they have a monopoly. No other band, not even a service band, may play without union permission.

There are ten Sundays from June 28 to the end of August. Six concerts at \$275.00 a piece would cost \$1,650.00 and the union would play one free concert on the Sunday of Natal Day week. This would leave \$350.00 for three Sundays, two of which might be the Youth Band at \$100.00 each and the last event might be a singer and organ.

The above program does not contemplate the use of the loud

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speaker system about which I have received some complaint of distortion. Its main use is to announce and I am investigating the possibility of using the Police sound car.

Would Council approve the program outlined without advertising for bids. The only other alternative would be to have no concerts or engage a 100% non-union band if such exists in Halifax.

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

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

TENDERS DUPLICATING EQUIPMENT

Date April 16, 1953

From: W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Re Tabulation of Bids for
Duplicating Equipment

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

I am attaching hereto a copy of the tabulation of bids on Duplicating Equipment.

I would recommend that the tender of the Addressograph-Multigraph of Canada Limited on the 75 Model Multilith Duplicator at \$1478.00 be accepted, in my opinion this machine will do the work required as we have had a smaller model of this machine for approximately ten years and the members of the staff of this Department are familiar with its use.

This machine is simple to operate and is the only one tendered on that duplicates by what is known as the offset system.

I may also add that there is considerable saving in the price of stencils used by this machine and also a substantial discount on the paper due to an arrangement between the Addressograph-Multigraph of Canada Limited and the people who supply the paper, namely the Barber-Ellis Maritime Limited.

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

USE OF KING FISHER ON BOY SCOUTS INSIGNIA

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 that the Headquarters Troupe of the Boy Scouts be granted permission to use the kingfisher on their insignia.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, Deputy City Clerk.

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

AMENDMENT THE HOUSING AND RENTALS ACT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 amendment to the Housing and Rentals
Act was approved and recommended to City Council for first reading.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Halifax,
pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10 of the Acts of Nova Scotia
1951 as amended, The Housing and Rentals Act, as follows:

1. The By-Law respecting housing and rentals made by
the City under the authority of and pursuant to the provisions of
Chapter 10 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1951, The Housing and Rentals
Act, is amended by inserting therein, between Sections 2 and 3 there-
of, the following Section:

2A. (1) Any housing accommodation under the control
and management of The Housing Authority of Halifax is
hereby declared to be exempt from the provisions of
this By-Law and from the provisions of Section 8 of
the Housing and Rentals Act.

(2) Any housing accommodation of which the City
of Halifax is the landlord is hereby declared to be
exempt from the provisions of Section 8 of The Housing
and Rentals Act.

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

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TOURIST INFORMATION BUREAU

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 relocating and effecting improvements to the Tourist Bureau was considered.

Your Committee recommends (1) that improvements be carried out at a sum not exceeding \$14,000.00 as shown in a report from the City Manager under date of March 9, 1953. (2) that the funds required for these improvements be provided from the Land Sale Account subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Alderman Hatfield wishing to be recorded against recommendation # 1.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Kitz: "How much more grading?"

His Worship the Mayor advised that the sum of \$4500.00 was earmarked for grading the driveway and parking space.

Alderman Kitz: "When this matter was discussed earlier, the feeling was against taking this old building and spending any sum of money approaching this amount on rehabilitating it. It is an old barrack and I am not satisfied that it is worthwhile spending this amount of money. I thought we would have a report on what it would cost to put up a new building. Is there such a report?"

His Worship the Mayor: "No, there is no such report. Out of \$4750.00, \$1650.00 was the cost to move the building and set it on a new foundation. I am told it was much cheaper than that. The foundation will cost \$1600.00 and will be available for a building at some future date. We will have a permanent foundation on which at a later date we would be able to put a new superstructure."

Alderman O'Malley: "I don't like the \$9000.00 to fix up the grounds around a building that is not architecturally right."

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Alderman Kitz: "You are not going to be able to redesign this building once the foundation is put down."

Alderman O'Malley: "It is a lot of money to lay out for something that is not permanent."

City Manager: "Very little when you take out the services."

Alderman Macdonald: "In the event we do erect a new building I don't think there will be any loss in the expenditure for improving the grounds."

The motion was put and passed with Alderman O'Malley, Kitz and Hatfield wishing to be recorded against.

TOURIST PROMOTION - APPROPRIATION \$100.00 MAYOR'S CONTINGENT ACCOUNT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

To His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached report from B. M. Hatfield and C. A. Vaughan was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved and that an appropriation of \$100.00 be provided from the Mayor's Contingent Account.

Your Committee also recommends that the Oil Companies operating Service Stations and the Hotels be written to, requesting them to send their service station attendants and hotel clerks on a tour of the City, which is conducted each year by the Grey Lines in order that such attendants and clerks may familiarize themselves with the various tourist attractions in the City.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

RENEWAL LOAN FORUM COMMISSION \$15,000.00

BE IT RESOLVED under the authority of subsection (12) of Section 14 of Chapter 70 of the Acts of 1947 that the City loan to the Halifax Forum Commission for the purpose of working capital the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00), the said sum to be repaid on or before the 15th day of April, A. D. 1954.

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman [unclear] that the resolution be approved. Motion passed.

DAMAGE TO TREE - CONNAUGHT AVENUE

Date: April 7th, 1953.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: PAYMENT OF CLAIM FOR DAMAGED TREE ON CONNAUGHT AVENUE

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 31st, Interprovincial Insurance Claims Ltd., submitted a cheque in the amount of \$4.50 in payment of the cost of replacing a tree on Connaught Avenue accidentally damaged by Mr. W. A. Jeffrey.

The Committee recommended that payment be accepted and release signed by the Mayor and City Clerk on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

1953 REPORT ON LEGISLATION

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 City Solicitor respecting legislation introduced at the last session of the Legislature on behalf of the City.

Your Committee recommends that the report be embodied in the Council minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S.,
April 7, 1953.

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

Your Worship and Aldermen:

I submit herewith my report on the legislation introduced

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at the recent session of the Legislature on behalf of the City.

Two Bills were introduced - No. 16, which is now Chapter 55 of the Acts of 1953, and No. 27, which is now Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1953.

As to Bill No. 16 (Chapter 55) - this Bill deals with election procedure and with the terms of the Mayor and aldermen. The Legislature adopted the amendment proposed by the Private and Local Bills Committee, which in effect restored the present system of a one year term for the Mayor. The one exception will be that the Mayor who is elected at the election to be held on the last Wednesday of April 1956 will receive a term of approximately eighteen months, or until his successor who is elected on the third Wednesday of October 1957 takes the oath of office.

As a result of this there will be an annual election for Mayor, which in 1953, 1954, 1955 and 1956 will take place on the last Wednesday of April, and commencing in 1957 the election will take place on the third Wednesday in October.

There will be elections for aldermen in 1953, 1955 and 1956 on the last Wednesday of April in each year, and commencing in 1957 there will be a regular election for aldermen on the third Wednesday in October.

As a result of this the aldermen elected in April 1955 will receive a term of approximately two and one-half years or until their respective successors elected on the third Wednesday of October 1957 take the oath of office. A similar situation exists for the aldermen elected on the last Wednesday in April 1956, who will also receive a term of approximately two and one-half years.

From and after the elections in 1957 the aldermen will be elected for three year terms.

The provision advancing the last day for nominations from twenty-one days prior to election day to fourteen days was deleted. The situation remains as at present.

As to qualifications for voters, the Act now provides that at the elections held in 1953, 1954, 1955 and 1956 that persons may vote who have been assessed for City rates for or have paid a poll tax to the City in respect of the year preceding the year in which an election takes place. Commencing in 1957 persons may vote if they have been assessed for City rates for the year in which the election takes place or have paid a poll tax to the City in respect of the year preceding.

As to the preparation of the lists, the proposals submitted by the City were enacted as submitted. This should overcome the inconvenience caused to multiple voters under the present sections of the Charter.

Commencing in 1953 the Collector is to notify by mail every person appearing on the voters list as to the date of the election and the place at which such person is entitled to vote.

Hereafter each candidate may have two agents for each polling place together with a general agent authorized to appear in all polling places.

The provision of the Act dealing with Advance Polls is now in effect.

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The provision of continuing the sealing of the bills by the City Clerk and the substituting therefor of number and counterfoils was also approved.

Bill No. 37. (Chapter 54). This Bill was approved substantially in the form as submitted and through the courtesy of The Private and Local Bills Committee the addition of certain clauses to the Bill was permitted.

The clauses added to the Bill are as follows:

- (1) Clause defining Commissioner of Finance.
- (2) Clause enabling the City to include in its estimates a sum for the cost of establishing or contributing to a plan for insurance, hospitalization or similar benefits for employees of the City and their dependents.
- (3) A similar clause was added respecting the employees of the School Board.
- (4) Clauses providing for payment to Halifax Chapter of Hadassah and the Flying Angel Mission to Seamen of a sum equal to the taxes assessed against these organizations.
- (5) Clause to clarify the right of the City to issue debentures payable in lawful money of the United States and also declaring that the City always had this right.
- (6) Clause to enable the City to permit a person who has purchased a property between the date of assessment and February 15th, for which the high rate of taxation would have applied, to pay the fixed rate thereon if such person in his own right would have been entitled to pay such fixed rate if he had been the owner of the property on the date of assessment.
- (7) A provision to enable the City to pay to the Directors of Point Pleasant Park in 1953 a sum not exceeding \$400.00 to defray the cost of a transportation service on Point Pleasant Drive.
- (8) The list of grants approved by the City Council.

Due to the length of the proposed draft respecting the assessment of the cost of improved street lighting this could not be added to the Bill and it must, therefore, be deferred until next year.

Clause 24 of the Bill, giving the City a right to seize property in the possession of a person under conditional sale or lease or jointly owned with another, was deleted on the grounds that the implications were too far-reaching and that the need was not essential. We still have the right to seize property in the possession of a person under hire-purchase agreement.

The Committee ordered two clauses to be redrafted. The first of these clauses was one giving authority to the City to make ordinances regulating poles, wires, etc., used for the transmission or reception of radio or television programs. The other section which was redrafted dealt with the authority of the School Board to make regulations governing the age at which teachers may be engaged and the age at which teachers may be retired and the conditions re-

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lating to such retirement.

I would like to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation to The Private and Local Bills Committee and its Chairman, Mr. J. E. Rutledge, Q. C., for their courtesy to me at the various meetings which were held on the City's legislation.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

CLOSING CITY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE ELECTION DAY

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 City Collector requesting that his Office be closed on Election Day, April 29, 1953 for business other than election matters.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNT HALIFAX COUNTY VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 account amounting to \$144,218.78 was submitted by the Commissioner of Finance which represented the City's share in connection with the Vocational High School.

Your Committee recommends that the account be approved for payment funds for same are provided in the annual estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Moriarty

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that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously. Following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, G. Galiev, Fox, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

SETTLEMENT OF ACCOUNTS FOR HOSPITALIZATION CHILDREN'S
AND VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITALS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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

A report from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that the sum of \$55.00 be accepted from the Army Benevolent Fund in full settlement of a claim of the Children's Hospital amounting to \$72.00 was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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

A report from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that the sum of \$66.50 be accepted from the Army Benevolent Fund in full settlement of a claim of the Victoria General Hospital amounting to \$205.00 was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

APPROPRIATION CORONATION DAY COMMITTEE \$350.00

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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

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At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date it was agreed to recommend that an appropriation of \$350.00 be provided under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter, for the purpose of purchasing portraits from Cogswell's Photo Supplies Limited of Her Majesty to be presented to the various schools in connection with the Coronation Day celebrations.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

BRIEF TOWN OF MULGRAVE

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1953.

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 brief concerning the future of the Town of Mulgrave was submitted by the Town Council requesting that the brief be endorsed and one copy sent to the Provincial representative at Halifax and one to the Federal representative at Ottawa.

Your Committee recommends that the request be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS CARS, MOTORCYCLES AND TRUCK--POLICE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 16, 1953.

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 City Manager on tenders received for the supply of two automobiles, one truck and four motorcycles to the Police Department and recommending for approval the following tenders:

<u>Two Automobiles</u>		
Atlantic Chevrolet Oldsmobile Ltd.	net	\$ 2,525.00
<u>One Truck</u>		
Atlantic Chevrolet Oldsmobile Ltd.	net	\$ 1,550.00
<u>Four Motorcycles</u>		
Colquhoun Bicycle Shop	net	\$ 4,650.00

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Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the City Manager.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS UNIFORMS ETC. POLICE & FIRE DEPARTMENTS & PRISON GUARDS

Halifax, N. S.
April 9, 1953.

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 City Manager on tenders received for the supply of Uniforms etc. for Guards at the City Prison, members of the Police and Fire Departments and recommending for acceptance the following:

CITY PRISON

12 Suits	Tip-Top Tailors Ltd.	\$ 45.30
2 Overcoats	Clayton's Ltd.	38.75
12 Police Caps	Colwell Bros. Ltd.	3.87

POLICE DEPARTMENT

250 Trousers	Tip-Top Tailors Ltd.	14.10
420 Shirts	H. Starr & Son	3.80
135 Hats	Colwell Bros. Ltd.	4.15
10 Motorcycle Suits	R. Simpson Ltd.	43.85
10 Frock Coats	R. Simpson Ltd.	33.45
7 Mounted Uniforms	R. Simpson Ltd.	43.85
7 Pea Jackets	Clayton's Ltd.	35.00

FIRE DEPARTMENT

70 Uniforms	Tip-Top Tailors Ltd.	40.35
83 Trousers	Tip-Top Tailors Ltd.	13.00
28 Overcoats	Clayton's Ltd.	31.60
12 Burburics	Gordon B. Ikenov	29.55
327 Shirts	H. Starr & Son	3.80
60 Caps	Tip-Top Tailors Ltd.	3.55

Your Committee concurs in these recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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ARM PATROL APPOINTMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 9, 1953.

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 Police recommending that Mr. George Perry be again appointed Special Constable in charge of the Arm Patrol under the same terms and conditions as last year and at the rate of Three Dollars per hour.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

DAMAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT PUMPER

Halifax, N. S.,
April 9, 1953.

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

The attached report from the City Solicitor's Department respecting Damage to Fire Department Pumper was considered by the Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Date April 9th, 1953.

From Carl P. Bethune, Q.C.,
City Solicitor,

Re Damage to Fire Department
Pumper.

To: The Chairman and Members of
the Committee on Safety.

On December 29th, 1952 the Fire Department pumper, while returning from a fire alarm, was involved in an accident at the intersection of George and Granville Streets in this City, with an automobile owned and operated by a Mr. Ross Corkum. The costs of repairing the damages caused to the pumper in this accident amounted to \$440.34.

It would appear from the facts that this collision was solely attributable to the negligent manner in which Mr. Corkum was operating his vehicle at the time. It is therefore recommended that City Council authorize that action be taken by the City of Halifax against Mr. Corkum to recover the entire damages sustained

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by the City in this accident upon failure by Mr. Conkum to satisfy a demand upon him for payment.

Yours truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Per R. Leo Rooney.

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

CITY OF HALIFAX Vs. BARRIE S. ROBB

Halifax, N. S.,
April 9, 1953.

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 for approval the attached report from the City Solicitor's Department respecting the case of the City of Halifax Vs. Barrie S. Robb.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Date April 8th, 1953.

From: Carl P. Bethune, Q.C.,
City Solicitor,

Re City of Halifax
vs.
Barrie S. Robb.

To The Chairman & Members of
the Committee on Safety.

As previously reported, judgment in the above lawsuit was awarded in favour of the City of Halifax for the amount claimed with Costs. The claim was for \$303.60 and the costs have since been taxed and allowed for \$107.05.

The matter has now reached the settlement stage. It is therefore recommended that the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized by City Council to sign the attached Release upon payment by or on behalf of the defendant, Barrie S. Robb, of the full sum of \$410.65.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR.

Per R. Leo Rooney

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

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INSURANCE RELEASES

Halifax, N. S.,
April 9, 1953.

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 that claims for the sums of \$10.00 and \$24.95 be accepted in full settlement of claims for damages to a parking meter and a car of the Police Department and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute the necessary releases.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

CHANGE OF STREET NAME

Date: April 15th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: CHANGE OF NAME COLCHESTER ROAD TO BALMORAL ROAD

At the request of the abutters, the Committee on Works at a meeting held on April 13th, 1953 agreed to recommend to City Council that the name of Colchester Road be changed to Balmoral Road.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Vaughan
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CHANGE OF STREET NAME

Date: April 7th, 1953.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: Duffus Street Name

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 31st, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer relative to renaming a short street running from Windsor Street to Kempt Road

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that is now called Duffus Street, was considered.

The Committee agreed to recommend to Council that this street be called "Duff Street."

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works. Amendment passed.

CHANGE OF STREET NAME

Date: April 7th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: Naming Devonshire Avenue

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 31st a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending that Devonshire Avenue be divided into two parts, South Devonshire Avenue, from Barrington to Hanover Streets and North Devonshire Avenue from Ross Street to Duffus Street, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

Alderman Lloyd: "I wonder if there would be any confusion in this matter."

Mr. Snook: "This is to relieve a situation between Devonshire Avenue and Albert Street."

Alderman Vaughan: "100 Albert Street is the last prefab house on the street and the next property is 80 Devonshire Avenue. I don't object as long as you don't change the numbers."

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Mr. Snook: "The numbers will remain the same."

Moved in amendment by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works. Amendment passed.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Fox that Item #53 "Resubdivision of Land - S. Butler (Scotvale)" be now considered. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION OF LAND - S. BUTLER (SCOTVALE)

Date: April 15th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: RESUBDIVISION OF LAND OF S. BUTLER, SCOTVALE SUBDIVISION
BAYERS ROAD

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on April 13th 1953, Plan No. 00-5-12346, 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 to the Department of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report and By-Law as submitted be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Allen wishing to be recorded against.

Alderman Vaughan: "Could we not have the Town Planning Engineer bring in a recommendation whether he would recommend the rezoning of a portion of that area where the houses are erected to residential. I am referring to Howe and Rowe Avenues. They could be converted to shops."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the Town Planning Engineer be requested to review the zoning in that area in the light of developments. Motion passed.

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PUBLIC HEARING REZONING EAST SIDE OF DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD

A Public Hearing into the matter of Rezoning a portion of the Dutch Village Road was held on the above date.

A resolution was read from the West End Citizens Club on this matter.

His Worship the Mayor asked if anyone were appearing against the petition to rezone.

Mr. J. A. Walker, Q. C. appeared and addressed Council as follows: "I am representing the owners of the property. This is an industrial area and we have already had it zoned. The owners of the property have made their plans accordingly. There are not many industrial areas in Halifax where manufacturing or warehousing establishments could be erected. I understand that the residents of Dutch Village Road are fearful that manufacturing plants that may be offensive to the residents are going to be erected. The Building Inspector has the right to refuse or grant permits and I am quite sure he will not grant a permit for someone to put in a glue factory or glue plant. There is a buffer of 200 feet between the road and this industrial zone. That is the distance of two lots of land. I am submitting that no danger can be expected by the residents from anything that would be built near the road. In the compromise the piece of land in the industrial zone would be of no value to them. It would seriously interfere with our land. I am suggesting there is only one reason why it would interfere with the zoning is that it does not do the work that it is intended to do at the present time. You have before you the recommendation of Mr. Snook that the zoning be not interfered with. You have also a report from the City Manager to the same effect. I wish to endorse both of these. I am submitting on behalf of the owners of the property that the present zoning should not be interfered with."

Alderman Lloyd: "There is no suggestion to sell the land? No sale pending?"

Mr. Walker: "Not that I know of."

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Mr. A. B. Morton: "I am representing the Municipality of the County of Halifax. Some of the best land is immediately opposite this 1500 feet. In the immediate area there are the most valued assessments. We feel that if a buffer zone of 200 feet were extended to 450 ft. from the southeast corner of Mount Olivet Cemetery we would have an area of 1500 ft. in length and 450 ft. in depth and if it were rezoned residential, it would be a great acquisition to the County. If this Council sees fit to meet the recommendation of the County Planning Board we would think we are getting more consideration than what we have in the past.

Mr. Creighton: "There is quite an area along the tracks which would have an outlet on Mumford Road. At the present time Dutch Village Road is a crowded road and to add more industry with outlets coming onto Dutch Village Road would make a more serious situation at Armdale. You already have a pretty poor entrance at Kempt Road with its industry. Why not try to keep this one so as not to destroy the beauty. With the extra 250 ft. asked for that would allow good residential building along the Dutch Village Road."

His Worship the Mayor: "Would you suggest that the residential lots fronting on the Dutch Village Road have a depth of 450 feet?"

Mr. Creighton: "You are not going to get on that. I will strip the best of residences with an industrial zone behind it. The Town Planning Board was against this and that is because the whole area was shown."

Mr. J. E. Rutledge, M.L.A. "I am pleased to see that some further consideration has been given to the problem to the extent of making a new plan. That plan has considerable merit in it. Mr. Walker appears for the owner and he lays down the general plan that the owner should have the say what to do with his own property. Basically I do not quarrel with him. If the proposed use of your property is to conflict with the public interest then you have to bow to public interest. His basic point is a very strong one. We seem to have plenty of land for all the industries that are coming.

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There is a considerable quantity of land available around the pumping station. There is plenty for the next 25 years at least. I drove down Dutch Village Road this afternoon and it has degenerated to a dirt path. Something has to be done to that road goes without saying. One half is owned by the County and one half by the City. I believe you will be getting the co-operation of the Department of Highways. One thing is that Dutch Village Road has to be widened. If you only have 200 feet to play with, you have not very much. When the pumping takes place, it has to be done largely off the east side. You will be down to 140 feet and the protection becomes less and less. If you have an industry within 140 feet of the lot, you can see what damage can be done. Someone brought up the question of what would you do with the back lots. Widen that street by 60 feet. That will leave a strip of 150 foot lots. You will have at the back of that a 200 foot lot and you will have another street. I say the proposal is a fair and reasonable one. I suggest that compromise be adopted by the Aldermen as it would be in the best interests of the City."

Alderman Lloyd: "Mrs. Lockwood is a resident of the City and her property is located to the south of this particular land on the south side of the pumping station. They have spent considerable money in improving their property and they have not been happy with the present plant located there now. She felt that the restriction against industrial development should be extended somewhat along the lines as mentioned by Mr. Rutledge."

The City Clerk then read reports from the Town Planning Engineer and City Manager for the information of Council both recommending against rezoning this area.

Alderman Hatfield: "I think people in that area had one good solid complaint that the lumber was quite unsightly at the time. At the present time we are considering the entrances to the City. I don't know what direction they are supposed to go. Mr. Rutledge points out Dutch Village Road is not wide enough. We should have the considered opinion from the Engineer before we make a decision tonight. I think

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it should be deferred until the engineers decide on the width of Dutch Village Road and any changes to be made and after that is done, that those who want it changed, bring in a suggested plan. It needs more consideration by all concerned before we vote on this suggestion."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Fox that the petition be approved.

Alderman Vaughan: "The widening of the Dutch Village Road seems to hinge on this piece of property. Could not the highway go through an area zoned for industrial as well as residential? Is not Dutch Village Road part of the trunk highway of the Province of Nova Scotia and a matter for joint discussion. In our discussions with Mr. Morton on the Arbitration Committee, after discussing the matter of financial responsibility, we suggested that a Metropolitan Planning Commission be set up to study such matters. We were interested in having co-operation between the three municipal bodies. Did the County of Halifax object to the establishment of the McCulloch plant when that was first established? Just how deep should a buffer zone be? It is taken as 450 ft. because that is the distance from the Mount Olivet Cemetery and the corner of the Armdale Manufacturing Company property. Are we going to ask the City residents to face an industrial zone?"

Alderman DeWolf: "The owners might want to subdivide. They might want to put a street in back of the buffer zone and put up houses facing the street. I think that would be an economical way of subdividing it. Possibly the owners might like to submit a subdivision. I agree with Alderman Hatfield that the matter be deferred until the owners submit a proposal."

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen that the matter be deferred to give the owners further opportunity to consider some establishment of a subdivision plan of the property and that no building permits be granted for a period of three months without permission from the City Council.

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Alderman O'Malley: "I am not too hopeful for the City of Halifax if the thinking of our citizens generally is to be the same as the Hon. Mr. Rutledge and Mr. Creighton on behalf of the petition. I say this because Mr. Rutledge made the statement that there is sufficient commercial property now in the City of Halifax to do us for the next 25 years. We all know full well that there is practically no property available on a railway siding. It is extremely scarce. I was amazed to hear Mr. Creighton refer to the entrance on Kempt Road. We want activity in any City. I was approached by a firm from St. John for a siding. My personal view is that some definite step should be taken tonight and that we settle once and for all that this property remain as now zoned."

Alderman Lloyd: "The property across the road was sold. Could you give me an idea of what it was sold for per sq. ft?"

Alderman DeWolf: "Twenty-five cents."

Alderman Lloyd: "Land in Halifax is being sold for as high as 75 cents to \$1.00 for residential lots. Much has been said about industry and I am going to disagree with the City Manager. I am going to pick on his letter because it contains written reasons why the land should remain as it is."

He then read the following sentence from the City Managers report dated December 11, 1952: "The City of Halifax does not have as great a proportion of business and industry as most Canadian cities."

He continued: "The industry could be immediate to the boundaries and be of great benefit to the City of Halifax. Imperial Oil in Woodside is of tremendous value. The reference to industrial development confuses the situation. It is a metropolitan problem. We must not get our minds down to 4000 sq. ft. of land. Land is scarce in Halifax, granted. According to the paper 5000 units are needed. 17,500 people have not proper accommodations in the City. Anything we can do to provide proper housing means industry; it means carpenters going to work; it means building houses and here is an excellent spot for it."

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Rezoning the area would be an advantage to the City as a whole as well as the residents.

The Alderman referred to the following statement also in the Manager's report. "There is a financial aspect to zoning I should like to stress."

He said he agreed with the Manager that the matter should be examined.

Alderman Vaughan: "Back on the agenda we moved in haste to approve an area in the City of Halifax. We permitted the owner of that property to plot for commercial purposes rather than residential. Nobody suggested at that time that 40 units be built to accommodate people in housing. If we are going to do these things let us be consistent under the circumstances."

Alderman Lloyd: "We were talking about industrial activities on the Dutch Village Road. The same Alderman mentioned if you put a house there you could not see a warehouse. I would suggest that the \$10.00 business tax rate has a lot more to do with the location of industry in the City than the land site."

Alderman DeWolf: "Alderman Vaughan suggested that we rezone the area on Bayers Road. I could never understand why such a matter came up. It was always industrial and permission given on the industrial land."

His Worship the Mayor: "The area was always industrial but it was cancelling a subdivision."

Alderman Moriarty: "In the City of Halifax we are geographically situated that our industries have to come from the ocean and what industry could we establish on the Dutch Village Road which could be operated at a profit that would make it attractive to an industry to come into the City. We have our fishing industry which is about the only thing we can look forward to to develop the port of Halifax. The only thing I could see that would be of benefit to the City would be residential."

10:30 P. M. The Deputy Mayor assumes the Chair.

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Alderman Lane: "Suppose the owner says tomorrow, 'this property is a headache, I will sell it.' Is there any control over the sale of the property and does this motion have any control over the new owner?"

His Worship the Deputy Mayor: "I would say the answer is 'no.'"

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Moriarty
Breen
Macdonald
Adams
Lloyd
Hatfield
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Lane
King
O'Malley
Fox
Allen
Vaughan

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10:45 P. M. His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

BUTLER BROS. Vs. CITY OF HALIFAX

Date: April 15th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: Authorization to Defend Court Action in Suit of Butler Bros. Ltd. for Damage to Traxcavator

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 13th 1953 the attached letter from the City Solicitor in regard to a claim for damages against the City for injuries sustained by a traxcavator owned by Butler Bros. Ltd., and under rental to the City, was considered.

The Committee recommended that the action be defended.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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From: Carl P. Bethune, Q.C.,
City Solicitor

Date April 10, 1953.

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

Re: Butler Brothers Ltd.
vs City of Halifax.

Dear Sirs:

Pursuant to Notice of Action a writ of summons has been served upon the City in the above matter claiming damages against the City for injuries sustained by a traxcavator owned by Butler Brothers Ltd. and under rental to the City. Under all the facts in this case I am unable to advise that any settlement should be made. I have been informed that the amount claimed by Butler Brothers Ltd. is in the vicinity of \$3000.00 and I am not satisfied that injuries to this amount were sustained while the machine was under the control of the City. I would therefore recommend that upon receipt of a statement of claim that the City defend this action.

I would also ask for authority to pay into Court such sum as I may determine to be adequate after examining the statement of claim. It may be that by paying a moderate sum into Court we will be able to avoid having costs taxed against the City if the judgment should be given adversely.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

EXPROPRIATION LAND JACOB STREET

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

Date April 15th, 1953.

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: Re: Expropriation of Land for Widening Jacob Street

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 13th 1953 the attached report from the Commissioner of Works relative to the expropriation of certain land on the south side of Jacob Street, owned by Sidney J. Simon, and required for the widening of Jacob Street, was considered.

The City Assessor said that Messrs. A. P. Kelley and Co. and Mr. H. Hemming had agreed to act as appraisers on behalf of the City.

The Committee recommended that the City Assessor get the appraisers valuations to be submitted to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

Gentlemen: Re: Jacob Street Widening

I attach appraisement of Messrs. A. P. Kelly and Company and Herbert Hemming fixing the value of the land to be expropriated from Sidney J. Simon on the south side of Jacob Street at \$1.92 per square foot, plus 10% compulsory taking. This gives the same amount as I had suggested in letter to you under date of February 26th 1953, namely \$1,609.34.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus,
CITY ASSESSOR.

RESOLUTION

W H E R E A S the Commissioner of Works has submitted a report dated the 13th day of April, A. D. 1953, and also a plan and description covering the expropriation of certain land on the south side of Jacob Street in the City of Halifax for the purpose of widening Jacob Street;

AND WHEREAS the Committee deems it necessary that the said land and interests therein be expropriated;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED and it is recommended to the City Council that the said land and interests therein, hereinafter more fully described, be expropriated;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the price or compensation to be paid to Sidney J. Simon, the apparent owner of the said land, or to the person or persons who may be found to be the owner or owners of the said land herein expropriated, be the sum of One Thousand Six Hundred and Nine Dollars and Thirty-four Cents (\$1,609.34);

The following is the description of the land and interests therein hereinbefore referred to, to be expropriated by the City:-

" ALL that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the southern side of Jacob Street, between Upper Water Street and Barrington Street, in the City of Halifax, and being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the eastern official street line of the aforesaid Barrington Street and the southern official street line of the aforesaid Jacob Street;

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Thence Eastwardly along the said southern official street line of Jacob Street for a distance of six feet and eight-tenths of a foot (56.8'), more or less, or to the intersection of the said southern official street line of Jacob Street and the western official street line of Upper Water Street;

Thence southwardly along the said western official street line of the aforesaid Upper Water Street for a distance of thirteen (13') feet, more or less, or to a point distant southwardly thirteen (13') feet measured at a right angle to the said southern official street line of Jacob Street;

Thence westwardly parallel to and distant southwardly thirteen (13') feet from the said southern official street line of Jacob Street for a distance of sixty feet and five-tenths of a foot (60.5'), more or less, or to the aforesaid eastern official street line of Barrington Street;

Thence northwardly along the said eastern official street line of Barrington Street for a distance of thirteen (13') feet, more or less, or to the place of beginning, and containing seven hundred and sixty-two (762) square feet.

The above described lands being shown bordered in red on a Plan entitled "Expropriation Plan of Certain Lands Required by the City of Halifax for Street Widening Purposes," dated April 11th, A. D. 1953, and filed in the Commissioner of Works Office of the City of Halifax, as Plan No. QQ-7-12362;

RESOLVED that this Council do hereby adopt the recommendation of the Committee on Works for the Expropriation of certain land and interests in land on the South side of Jacob Street, in the City of Halifax, and that the land and interests in land as defined in the Resolution adopted by the Committee on Works at a Meeting held on the 13th day of April, A. D. 1953, be and the same are hereby expropriated.

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED that the price or compensation named in the said Resolution for the said land and interests therein to be paid to the said owner or owners of the said land be forthwith paid to the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Allen that the resolution be approved. Motion passed.

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TENDER DEMOLITION BUILDING #81 WINDSOR STREET

Date: April 15th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: Tender for Demolition of Building No. 81 Windsor Street

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 13th, 1953, only one tender was received, that from Walter Mills, offering to demolish this building and remove all salvage, which becomes his property, for the sum of \$150.00.

The Committee recommended that this tender be accepted subject to an agreement being drawn by the City Solicitor including the terms set out in the call for tenders.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman MacMillan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RENEWAL LEASE SUNSHINE SWIMMING CLUB

Date: April 15th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: Application for Renewal of Lease - Sunshine Swimming Club

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 13th, 1953, the attached application from Mrs. J. W. Gunn for renewal of the lease of the Sunshine Swimming Club for the 1953 season was considered.

The Committee recommended that a lease be granted under the usual terms and conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

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CONSIDERATION OPEN SPACES HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION

Date: April 15, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Subject: Consideration of Open Spaces in Halifax Relief
Commission Area

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 13th, 1953, the question of accepting the lanes and open spaces in the Hydrostone District from the Halifax Relief Commission was considered.

The Committee recommended that the City accept the open spaces presently owned by the Halifax Relief Commission. Alderman Kitz against.

The Committee also recommended that the City accept conveyance of the lanes.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

Alderman Vaughan stated that a group consisting of 37 members were looking for a housing site and it would be a property on the Memorial Drive. He said he asked the Town Planning Engineer to notify the Halifax Relief Commission that this land was available again for subdivision. Mr. Boucher said he did not receive such notification.

The Town Planning Engineer advised that he had sent him plans as requested by the Alderman.

TENDERS FOR LAND

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of City Council.

From: City Manager, A. A. DeBaró, Jr.,

Date: April 15, 1953

Subject: Tabulation of Land Bids Received April 14, 1953

Plot #1 - Connaught Avenue and Bayers Road 100 x 100

*David Devlin

\$ 5,001.00

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Plot #2 - West Side of Kent Road, approx. 365' frontage by
150' depth.

R. A. Kanigsberg	\$ 3,255.00
Jeron Company Limited	3,558.80
Walker & Hall Limited	3,800.00
Industrial Suppliers Limited	4,051.00
*Stewart, Smith, MacKean, etc.	4,555.00

Lot #5 - Leaman Street

D. B. Fraser	\$ 1,110.00
John A. D'Entremont	1,112.00
Louis A. Baxter	1,165.00
*Gwen M. Green	2,200.00

Lot #9 - Leaman Street

Adolph D'Entremont	\$ 900.00
John A. D'Entremont	900.00
Thomas Withers	2,275.00
*V. J. LeBlanc	2,200.00

Lot #10 - Leaman Street

Adolph D'Entremont	\$ 900.00
John D'Entremont	900.00
C. Menchions	1,050.00
*R. A. LeBlanc	1,300.00

*Recommended to Council by Finance & Executive Committee.

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report be concurred in subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs for the Leaman Street lots as required by Section 618 E of the City Charter. Motion passed.

ACCEPTANCE GIFT LIONS CLUB OF FLASHING SCHOOL BEACONS-MUMFORD ROAD

Safety Committee,
Halifax Lions Club,
P. O. Box 1566,
March 31st, 1953.

Mr. A. DeBard,
City Manager,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. DeBard:-

The Safety Committee of the Lions Club decided this year to try and help the city in improving traffic control to insure school children safe travel to and from school.

Now our budget is limited but we believe we can get a start this year. Our plan is to purchase all materials necessary for the installation of a set of two Flashing Amber Beacons for a school crossing. These Beacons will be attached to existing poles and hooked

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up with a timer so that they will operate at only pre-determined times. The timer also has a special spring on it, which in case of power failure, can carry on the time setting for a period of ten hours. If the power fails for two hours and then comes on, the timer spring is rewound—thus not requiring any re-setting. This eliminates constant maintenance which is costly.

We have taken up this idea with the traffic officer Inspector O'Brien and he is in agreement with us on the need for it. Chief Mitchell also concurs with the idea and believes it to have considerable merit.

We feel that a good spot ground for these Flashing Beacons is Mumford Road. There we can have one set of lights serve two schools - Sir John Thompson and St. Agnes. It is our wish, if the City will agree, to purchase the materials necessary and then turn these over to the City's Safety Committee as a gift and have the city complete the installation. A rough sketch of the Beacons is attached.

Mr. Flynn was most co-operative and had one of his men check Mumford Road and then listed the materials necessary and the estimated cost for such an installation at this particular location. The school sign itself is not included in this estimate but will be purchased by us. Also we would like to attach to the sign a small plaque saying "Safety thru Halifax Lions Club."

We had discussed this idea verbally with you Mr. DeBard, a short time ago. This letter is to culminate that discussion and it is our request that you take this matter up with the City Safety Committee and City Council. We shall be pleased to hear from you after you have done this.

Yours very truly,

R. S. Dunfield,
Chairman, Safety Committee,
Halifax Lions Club.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the offer of the Lions Club be accepted and a letter of appreciation sent. Motion passed.

OVERHANGING SIGNS

Date: April 15th, 1953.

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: OVERHANGING SIGNS

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 13, 1953, a report from the Building Inspector recommending that the following signs be allowed to be erected was approved:

646 Robie St. - Citadel Motors Ltd.	\$ 5.00
200 Gottingen St. - Vogue Ladies Shop.	5.00

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23 Cunard St. - C. Beaton and A. D. McDonald.	\$ 5.00
491 Barrington St. - Arcade Ladies Shop Ltd.	5.00
102 Cornwallis St. - J. M. Ogilvie.	5.00
196 Barrington St. - Mrs. M. Horne.	5.00
717 Barrington St. - George C. Long.	5.00
57½ Victoria Road - Anne Meade.	5.00
2½ South Bland St. - Mrs. Zabine Galnen.	5.00
266 Oxford St. - Cleveland Industries Ltd.	5.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

RICHMOND STREET WIDENING

Date: April 7th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: RICHMOND STREET WIDENING

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 7th,
the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer relative to
the widening of Richmond St. to a width of sixty feet, was con-
sidered.

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.

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Date: March 4th, 1953.

To: Mr. A. A. DeBard, Jr., City Manager,
From: W. A. G. Snook, Town Planning Engineer,
Subject: Richmond Street Widening.

Sir:

I would suggest the following items be carried out:

1. that action be taken to obtain a twenty foot strip on the north side of Richmond Street from Barrington Street to Devonshire Avenue. This would involve purchase of land from the N. Scotia Light & Power Co. and from Her Majesty the Queen or her agent Central Mortgage and Housing Corp.; also the removal of one building presently used as an emergency shelter.

2. that the section of land, twenty foot wide, on the south side of Richmond Street between Barrington Street and Veith Street be sold to the abutting property owners at the same or better price it cost the City to acquire the similar section of land on the north side of Richmond Street. This would involve dealing with two parties; R. T. Ward and O. R. Webster.

3. there is curb and gutter laid on both sides of the street and at some future date the curb on the north side should be moved back to provide a thirty foot roadway.

If these steps were carried out Richmond Street could be developed to a required width of sixty feet. I feel that a sixty foot width is necessary here as much of the surrounding area is zoned commercial and when development takes place there will be considerable traffic on Richmond Street and a full width of sixty feet will be necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. A. G. Snook,
Town Planning Engineer.

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

TREE LIST

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

Date: April 7th, 1953.

From: Clerk of Works.

Subject: PROPOSED TREE PLANTING - SPRING 1953

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 31st, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works submitting a list of streets on which 374 trees could be planted this Spring at an estimated cost of \$1,776.50, was considered.

The Committee approved the recommendation that these trees be planted on the streets listed, except on the east side of Beaufort Avenue from Regina Terrace to Oakland Road, until conveyance

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of property on this section of Beaufort Avenue is class "1"

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Date: Jan. 30th, 1953.

From: George J. Power,
Supt. Parks and Grounds

Re: Proposed Tree Planting.
Spring 1953.

To: Mr. A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

Dear Sir:

Herewith is a list of streets that could be planted with trees this Spring:

			<u>Est. No. Trees</u>
Summer St.	College to University Ave.	West side	10
Robie St.	Inglis St. to Roxton Rd.	East side	17
Beaufort St.	Bellevue to Oakland Rd.	East side	40
Inglis St.	Beaufort to Bellevue	South side	16
Payzant Ave.	Larch to Preston	Both sides	13
Watt St.	Preston to Henry	Both sides	32
Almon St.	Oxford to Connaught Ave.	Both sides	25
Edinburgh St.	Oxford to Connaught Ave.	Both sides	29
London St.	Oxford to Connaught Ave.	Both sides	40
Liverpool St.	Oxford to Connaught Ave.	Both sides	32
Albert St.	Kenny to Duffus	West side	17
Charles St.	Robie to Windsor	Both sides	44
Clifton St.	from Willow St. Southwards	Both sides	9
Chebucto Rd.	Oxford to McDonald	South side	<u>50</u>
	Total		374

The estimated cost of planting the above streets is \$1776.50, or \$4.75 per tree. This cost includes labor and material.

Respectfully submitted,

George J. Power,
Superintendent Parks and Grounds.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman MacMillan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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PURCHASE OF ARC WELDER

Date: April 7th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: PURCHASE OF ARC WELDER

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 31st a report from the City Manager relative to purchasing an Arc Welder at a price of \$1,120.00, was considered.

The Committee recommended that this machine be purchased.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

STREET LIGHTING

Date: April 7th, 1953.

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: STREET LIGHTING.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 31st, a report from the City Electrician recommending Street Lighting Improvements on Cornwall Street, Mott Street, York Street, Pryor Street, and Prince Arthur Street, at an installation cost of approximately \$1,357.60, to be charged to Capital Borrowing of \$60,000.00 for Street Lighting Improvement, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Date March 23rd, 1953.

Re. Street Lighting

From: A. P. Flynn, Esq.,
City Electrician.

To: A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

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Dear Sir:

In reply to your request regarding street lighting, the following is for your information.

CORNWALL STREET between Preston & Oxford - I went over these streets and recommend that due to the heavy growth of trees that the present lights be replaced with new fixtures and 6 foot brackets.

MOTT STREET - I would recommend that the present lights be replaced with new fixtures and 6 foot brackets.

YORK STREET - I would recommend that the present lights be replaced with new fixtures and 4 foot brackets.

PRYOR STREET - I would recommend that the present lights be replaced with new fixtures and 6 foot brackets and 2 additional.

PRINCE ARTHUR STREET - I would recommend that the present lights be replaced with new fixtures and 6 foot brackets with one additional, also one additional on Quinpool Road opposite Prince Arthur Street.

Installation cost, approximately	\$ 1,357.60
Increased maintenance for balance of year	79.50
Increased maintenance for full year	140.00

Installation to be charged to Capital Borrowing \$60,000.00 for Street Lighting Improvement.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. Flynn,
CITY ELECTRICIAN.

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

APPLICATION TO REZONE #30 VERNON STREET

To the City Council:

We, the undersigned, residents of Vernon Street, hereby advise that we have no objections to the operation of a small dental laboratory, for business purposes, in the basement at Number 30 Vernon Street:

SIGNED

Capt. W. A. Gorman,	32 Vernon St.
Mr. E. L. DeLouchry,	26 Vernon St.
Mr. H. C. McDonald,	26 $\frac{1}{2}$ Vernon St.
Andrew S. Levine,	20 Vernon St.
Mrs. R. G. Hills,	22 Vernon St.
D. S. Fraser,	24 Vernon St.
Mrs. J. R. MacLeod,	28 Vernon St.
P. A. Mahon,	34 Vernon St.
Mrs. John D. Graves,	
G. Wallace Dickson	
Wallace H. Betts,	23 Vernon St.
Mrs. R. J. Keefe,	23 Vernon St.

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the application be referred to the Town Planning Board. Motion passed.

APPLICATION TO REZONE #82 INGLIS STREET

82 Inglis St.,
Halifax, N. S.

City Council,
City of Halifax

Att. Mr. W. P. Publicover,

Dear Sirs:

I wish to make application for an extension of the third density district to include the neighboring vacant lot, under Part 15, paragraph C of the City zoning by-laws. At the present time, the third density district includes 78 Inglis St., which is the lot immediately East of the vacant lot referred to and within the same block.

My residence, 82 Inglis St., known as "Thorndean," is one of the finer old residences in the South End of Halifax, going back about 118 years. It was converted to a set of flats, ten or fifteen years ago, I believe. It is my aim to repair and restore the property. As you may have noticed, the structure has suffered greatly from neglect and resulting deterioration during the last 20 years, due, I expect, to absentee ownership. Two families, previously were occupying one flat with attendant consequences. The amount of work and expense required to restore the residence itself will involve several years of concentrated effort to achieve my aims.

At the present time, a reliable party is prepared to purchase the vacant lot at 80 Inglis St., provided a duplex type apartment can be erected thereon and I am assured that it will be attractive. The proceeds from such a sale would assist me in improving the property as proposed.

I respectfully submit that a neat duplex type apartment would be in no way injurious to the neighborhood and would be preferable to a potentially unkempt lot. It is my understanding that almost all of the dwellings in this area on both sides of Inglis St. take in roomers.

Yours truly,

F. G. Robertson.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the application be referred to the Town Planning Board. Motion passed.

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RESUBDIVISION OF LAND BELLEVUE STREET

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

Date: April 16th, 1953.

From: Clerk of Works.

Subject: Resubdivision - Bellevue Street

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on April 13th, 1953, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of Plan No. 00-6-12365, showing a resubdivision of Lot 1, Greenwood Subdivision, and Lot 58 of Roderick McDonald Estate, was considered.

The Board unanimously recommended that this resubdivision be approved and that there be no public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

RESUBDIVISION OF LAND LOTS 22-28 EDGEWOOD

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

Date: April 15th, 1953.

From: Clerk of Works.

Subject: SUBDIVISION OF LANDS, LOTS 22 to 28 - EDGEWOOD SUBDIVISION
BAYERS ROAD

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on April 13th, 1953, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of Plan No. 00-6-12364, showing a resubdivision of lots 22 to 28, into two larger lots, A and B, was considered.

The Board unanimously recommended that this resubdivision be approved and that there be no public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

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PUBLIC WORKS ORGANIZATION

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

Date: April 7, 1953.

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: PUBLIC WORKS ORGANIZATION

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 31st the attached report from the City Manager respecting Public Works Organization and Proposed chart, was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: February 26, 1953.

Subject: Public Works Organization:

The Public Works Department has been my major concern and apparently has been a problem long before I came. After considerable study and observation I arrived at a decision about the first of January which I have allowed to mellow since that time. Two months later after further reflection I find no reason to change my thinking and it is presented for Council's consideration under the Charter provision contained in Section 119A (d).

The changes are not extensive and may be briefly described as follows:-

- 1) Separation of the positions of Commissioner of Public Works and City Engineer. The City Engineer would be under the supervision of the Commissioner of Public Works and would be responsible for technical aspects of public works such as drawing of plans, designs and surveying. He and his staff would be available for consultation by the Superintendent of Operations. The Commissioner of Public Works would have three other main divisions under his jurisdiction - Works Office, Inspection and Operations.
- 2) No provision is made for a Deputy Commissioner. The Commissioner could designate any qualified subordinate to act as Commissioner in his absence. As a matter of fact rotation of that duty would serve as an indication of a possible successor when he is to be replaced.

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This memorandum is submitted so that Council may give it study prior to the regular meeting of March 12, 1953 at which time I hope they will give approval.

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

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

Alderman Vaughan said he objected to titles and also that in the absence of the Engineer he could designate a junior to act as Engineer.

Alderman Kitz: "Tax certificates must be signed by the Commissioner of Works."

Alderman Lloyd: "Would it be serious if we deferred this?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The matter will require legislation anyway."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the matter be considered at the next regular meeting of the City Council.

City Manager: "It does not require a lot of legislation. The Deputy Commissioner of Works could carry out the functions of the City Engineer. If the plan is agreed upon we can go ahead with it by assigning duties."

Alderman Vaughan: "This is the first step in the re-organization of the Works Department to give efficiency?"

City Manager: "Yes."

Alderman DeWolf: "I was wondering why there was no Deputy Commissioner of Works. Who is going to sign the documents usually signed by the Commissioner?"

City Solicitor: "He would have to be appointed Deputy for that purpose."

Alderman O'Malley: "A few years ago we hired Dr. Brittain to bring in changes in civic administration. I don't think this matter goes deep enough. I don't think we should abolish the Deputy Commissioner of Works which is in this proposal. Operations in the

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City Field should be brought before Council. The matter should be cleaned up. The Council should be satisfied that the operation of the City Field is satisfactory to Council before we embark on any policy of the creation of new positions."

City Manager: "The operation of the City Field depends on the way it is organized and that is what I want to change." He then read parts of a letter he had in his possession.

Alderman Lloyd: "There was a meeting of the Salary Committee on wage evaluation and intelligent questions were asked. I feel that when my motion was made to defer that was one of the reasons for deferment. This committee has not got the answer as to what is skilled labor in the City Field. We are aware of the situation in Mr. DeBard's remarks in his letter."

The amendment was then put and passed.

ARMDALE FERRY LEASE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council. Date: April 7th, 1953.
From: Clerk of Works
Subject: LEASE A. W. BURNS

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 31st an application from Mr. A. W. Burns for renewal of lease of land on the West side of Quinpool Road to operate the Armdale Ferry, was considered.

The Committee recommended that Mr. Burns be given a lease for one year at a rental of \$10.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

RESUBDIVISION LOT # 5 COGSWELL STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council. Date: April 7th, 1953.
From: Clerk of Works
Subject: RESUBDIVISION - LOT 5 - CITY OWNED LAND COGSWELL STREET

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At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on March 31st, 1953, Plan # 00-5-12230 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 to the Department of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Allen that the report and By-Law as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT RECREATION AND PLAYGROUNDS COMMISSION

Halifax, N. S.,
March 23, 1953.

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

This is to advise you that Alderman C. A. Vaughan's term of office on the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission expires on April 30, 1953.

It will be the duty of City Council to either re-appoint Alderman Vaughan or appoint another Alderman in his place.

Respectfully submitted,

L. D. Hubley,
ASSISTANT-SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that Alderman Vaughan be appointed to the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission for a term of three years beginning May 1, 1953. Motion passed.

APPLICATION LYNCH SHOWS USE OF COMMONS JUNE 15 to JULY 4, 1953

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council. Date: April 15th, 1953.

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: Application - W. P. Lynch for use of Commons

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 13th, 1953, an application from Mr. W. P. Lynch for permission to use part of the Commons to hold his show from June 15th to July 4th 1953, was considered.

The Committee recommended that permission be granted under

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the usual terms and conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

APPLICATION SCOTIA BRANCH CANADIAN LEGION USE COMMONS
JULY 27 to AUGUST 8, 1953

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

From: Clerk of Works

Subject: Application of Scotia Branch Canadian Legion for
Use of Commons

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 13th,
1953, an application from Scotia Branch #25, of the Canadian Legion
for permission to have model shows of Canada play on the Commons
the last week of July and the first of August was considered.

The Committee recommended that permission be granted under
the usual terms and conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

LEASE FACILITIES C. M. & H. C. AT MANNING POOL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 16, 1953.

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 attached report from the Administrator
of Emergency Shelters respecting the Manning Pool was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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His Worship the Mayor and
Members Health & Welfare Committee,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

The property occupied as an emergency shelter and known as the Manning Pool is leased by the City from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation while the land on which the three staff houses on Barrington Street are located is leased from War Assets Corporation.

Both leases expired sometime ago but the City has continued to occupy the premises since the expiration thereof. Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation has suggested that the leases should be renewed in order to keep the proper status in respect to the properties.

I would recommend that the leases be renewed for a term of one year from March 31st 1953, at the annual rental of \$1.00.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus,
ADMINISTRATOR.

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

PRISON FARM COMMITTEE

Alderman Kitz asked the following question: "Will your Worship consider naming a Committee to confer with County and Provincial authorities with a view to setting up a common prison farm outside the City limits to provide better mutual jail facilities and to make available the many acres of building land now occupied by the City Prison."

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that a committee of two members be appointed.

His Worship the Mayor: "I want the expression of Council on this."

Alderman Lane: "I think a committee appointed to do research work is a desirable thing."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think this is a tangible matter. I think this is a good start. There is a document by Dr. Richter and one from Alderman Macdonald on the City Home I have seen."

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Alderman Hatfield: "I think it is an opportune time to approach them."

The motion was then put and passed.

His Worship the Mayor: "I would like to give it some thought as to which members are able to give it free time. I will bring it before Council when the new committees are set up."

DEMOLITION OLD LeMARCHANT STREET SCHOOL

Alderman Lane: "Are there any plans for the demolition of LeMarchant Street School? Have we asked for tenders? What are the future plans?"

His Worship the Mayor: "There are plans for the demolition and tenders are being called for."

COUNCIL MANAGER SYSTEM

Alderman Lloyd referred to the Council-Manager system and said that about one year ago the Council-Manager form of Government was adopted and prior to the last election there was no opportunity to judge the results. He stated that he was a little disturbed by activities of well meaning citizens who have said that the City Manager has not received the co-operation of all members of Council. He also stated that every member of Council felt the Council-Manager form of Government was decided by plebiscite of the citizens and that it was the duty of Council to carry out the wishes of the citizens and also to select a City Manager and see that he carried out his duties in accordance with the accepted Council-Manager plan.

He asked the City Manager if he would say that he felt, with the problems faced, he had received the co-operation of the members of Council and if not in what respect had the members concerned been derelict in their duties.

The City Manager said he did not think he could answer the question, but he thought there had been quite definitely a resistance to change. He also said he did not think he could exactly answer the question except in a general way without cataloging and ranking

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the Aldermen in degree with respect to their co-operation. He thought it was a difficult task.

Alderman Lloyd asked if the City Manager had attempted to report to anyone outside the Council to which the City Manager said a great many citizens talked to him about what goes on in City Hall and in the Council Chamber. He said he did not doubt that somebody would question him about statements made by the Aldermen in the Council Chamber. He stated people ask him what his personal relationships with Aldermen are. He advised he did not want to engage in arguments with Aldermen and that he could not help it when people called him after something happens and he is asked what the Aldermen mean by things they say.

Alderman Lloyd replied he had been a supporter of the Council-Manager form of Government and under that system the Council had the right to see if the Manager was found wanting in any respect. He said he found it most annoying and an undesirable situation and a dangerous practice to find individual citizens getting the opinions of one man as to his performance in the City Council. He also said his performance was to be found in the minutes of Council and it was on that authority he could be questioned. He suggested that if members of the Board of Trade were sincere in their efforts, certainly they would have consulted a member of the Council who long advocated that system. He further stated that the point could be reached where opinions outside, on the advice of one man, a civil servant, would decide whether he as an Alderman would stay in the Council. The issue he would stand on would be that the public voted for a Council-Manager system and the Council is responsible for the engaging of a Manager; the appointment of the man and his discipline is a matter for the Council to decide. He stated that nobody else outside was fair to judge whether he as an Alderman was co-operating with the City Manager. He finalized by saying that the person should be sure of his facts.

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The City Manager stated that questions addressed to him by citizens had nothing to do with official acts of Aldermen and that when he made speeches he always referred to the Council-Manager system and not the City Manager system. He also said that His Worship would remember him saying that before anything could be accomplished it had to be a 50-50 proposition. He said he could not help being asked questions on the street and what could he do about it. He had kept silent when some questions were asked.

Alderman Lloyd asked if he had not co-operated with the Manager to which he replied "at certain times."

The Alderman then said that it was a fact that the Board of Trade headed by Mr. I. Barrow were selecting candidates for the coming election.

His Worship the Mayor said he appeared before the Board of Trade as to how the Council-Manager system was working out and he was not asked the qualifications of any Aldermen.

The City Manager stated he also appeared before the same body and he made no mention of any particular Alderman.

RESOLUTION Re: BORROWING PREFABRICATED HOUSES

A resolution was submitted by the City Solicitor respecting the renewal of the loan from the Canadian Bank of Commerce in connection with prefabricated houses.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the resolution as submitted be approved and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Motion passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Halley, Fox, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

GREENWOOD AVENUE STREET LINES

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

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TAR AND GRAVEL STREETS WARDS 6 and 7

Alderman Vaughan stated that the tar and gravel streets in Wards 6 and 7 were not standing up. "We have freeze and thaw from November to March. A lot of money is being wasted. Some cities have found a midway method. Could we have the City Manager explore the matter of tar and gravel on a permanent basis and the cost?"

FIRE ALARM CONNECTION H.H.MARSHALL LTD.

Halifax, N. S.,
April 16, 1953.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the attached report from the City Electrician respecting a request from H. H. Marshall Ltd. to connect their Master Fire Alarm Signal Box to their Sprinkler System was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 11th, 1953.

From : A. P. Flynn,
City Electrician.

To: . A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

Dear Sir:

Attached is a letter I have received from H. H. Marshall Limited requesting permission to connect their Master Fire Alarm Signal Box which is connected to their sprinkler system in their premises 576 Barrington Street.

I would recommend that the same be granted without yearly charge as the installation of this signal box would be accessible to the general public on Barrington Street between Duke and Buckingham.

All costs concerned will be borne by H. H. Marshall Limited. The equipment is to be approved by the City Electrician. The City reserves the right to disconnect this service at any time it may be in their interest to do so.

Yours very truly,

A. P. Flynn,
CITY ELECTRICIAN.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the

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report be approved. Motion passed.

INFORMATION ITEMS

The following items of information were submitted:

1. Poll Tax Collections.
2. Approval Amendments Zoning By-Law Section 12 of Part II and Section 1 of Part XV.
3. Approval \$60,000.00 withdrawal Land Sale Fund for Library Books.
4. Annual Report Public Service Commission.
5. Report City Manager re Housing Authority.
6. City Manager's Administrative Report.

F I L E D

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

Meeting adjourned.

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R. A. Donahoe
R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 30, 1953,
3:30 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, Adams, Kitz, O'Malley, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

The meeting was called specially to consider.

1. Election Returns.
2. Swearing into Office Mayor and Aldermen.
3. Capital Expenditures Budget 1953.

ELECTION RETURNS MAYOR

Halifax, N. S.,
April 29, 1953.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereof in respect to the election of Mayor for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Richard Alphonsus Donahoe, of the City of Halifax, Barrister at Law, he being the only candidate nominated for the said office at the election to be held on April 29, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon declared Richard Alphonsus Donahoe duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for a term expiring April 30, 1954.

ALDERMAN WARD # 1

April 30, 1953.

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

April 30, 1953.

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereto in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Henry P. Mazier of the City of Halifax, Postal Clerk, and William B. Moriarty of the City of Halifax, Ship Owner, for the office of Alderman for Ward No.1, together with the polling books containing the returns of the presiding officers at the several polling places in the said Ward for the election of Alderman for the said Ward held on the 29th day of April, 1953; said returns showing as follows:

	<u>Henry P. Mazier</u>	<u>William B. Moriarty</u>
Advance Poll	1	
Multiple	57	112
A. 1	58	123
2	58	105
3	48	137
4	51	108
B.	97	141
C.	84	86
D.	132	214
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	586	1027

Majority for William B. Moriarty over Henry P. Mazier 441.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon declared William B. Moriarty duly elected Alderman for Ward #1 of the City of Halifax for a term of 3 years expiring April 30, 1956.

ALDERMAN WARD # 2

April 30, 1953.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereto in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of John H. Breen of the City of Halifax, Manager, and William C. Dunlop, of the City of Halifax, Barrister at Law, for the office of Alderman for Ward No.2, together with the polling books containing the returns of the presiding officers at the several polling places in the said Ward for the election of Alderman for the said Ward held on the 29th day of April, 1953; said returns showing as follows:

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	<u>John H. Breen</u>	<u>William C. Dunlop</u>
Advance Poll	4	4
Multiple	137	139
A. 1	115	87
2	114	102
B. 1	106	97
2	114	104
C. 1	150	226
2	141	222
D.	93	139
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	974	1117

Majority for William C. Dunlop over John H. Breen 143.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon declared William C. Dunlop duly elected Alderman for Ward # 2 of the City of Halifax for a term of 3 years expiring April 30, 1956.

ALDERMAN WARD # 3

Halifax, N. S.,
April 30, 1953.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereto in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Burton O. Macdonald of the City of Halifax, Retired, for the office of Alderman for Ward No. 3 of the City of Halifax, he being the only candidate nominated for the said office at the election held April 29, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon declared Burton O. Macdonald duly elected Alderman for Ward #3 of the City of Halifax for a term of 3 years expiring April 30, 1956.

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ALDERMAN WARD # 4

Halifax, N. S.,
April 30, 1953.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereto in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Leonard A. Kitz of the City of Halifax, Barrister at Law, for the office of Alderman for Ward No. 4 of the City of Halifax, he being the only candidate nominated for the said office at the election held April 29, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon declared Leonard A. Kitz duly elected Alderman for Ward # 4 of the City of Halifax for a term of 3 years expiring April 30, 1956.

ALDERMAN WARD # 5

April 30, 1953.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereto in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of John E. Ahern of the City of Halifax, Publisher and George C. Fox of the City of Halifax, Retired, for the office of Alderman for Ward No. 5, together with the polling books containing the returns of the presiding officers at the several polling places in the said Ward for the election of Alderman for the said Ward held on the 29th day of April, 1953; said returns showing as follows:

	<u>John E. Ahern</u>	<u>George C. Fox</u>
Advance Poll.	2	2
Multiple	59	106
A. 1	105	63
2	119	66
B. 1	128	69
2	119	69
C. 1	116	96
2	85	86
D	104	174
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	837	721

Majority for John E. Ahern over George C. Fox

106.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 30, 1953.

The City Clerk thereupon declared John Edward Ahern duly elected Alderman for Ward # 5 of the City of Halifax for a term of 3 years expiring April 30, 1956.

ALDERMAN WARD # 6

Halifax, N. S.,
April 30, 1953.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereto in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Lloyd W. Allen of the City of Halifax, Manager, for the office of Alderman for Ward No. 6 of the City of Halifax, he being the only candidate nominated for the said office at the election held April 29, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon declared Lloyd W. Allen duly elected Alderman for Ward # 6 of the City of Halifax for a term of 3 years expiring April 30, 1956.

ALDERMAN WARD # 7

Halifax, N. S.,
April 30, 1953.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereto in respect to the election of Mayor and Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original nomination papers of Byron M. Hatfield of the City of Halifax, Barrister at Law, for the office of Alderman for Ward No. 7 of the City of Halifax, he being the only candidate nominated for the said office at the election held April 29, 1953.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon declared Byron M. Hatfield duly elected Alderman for Ward #7 of the City of Halifax for a term of 3 years expiring April 30, 1956.

3:40 P. M. Alderman Macdonald arrives.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that this meeting adjourn until 4:15 P. M. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

3:45 P. M.

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MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

RICHARD ALPHONSUS DONAHOE, ESQ., Q.C.

MAYOR

Office of the City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 30, 1953.

Richard Alphonsus Donahoe, Esq., Q. C., having been on the 30th day of April A. D. 1953 by the City Clerk in the presence of the City Council, publicly declared duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the year ending April 30, 1954 at the election held on the 29th day of April A. D. 1953.

I do hereby certify that before entering upon the duties of the Office of Mayor, he was on the 30th day of April A. D. 1953 sworn before His Honour Alastair Fraser, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, at the City Hall, Halifax, N. S., by subscribing and taking the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office of Mayor in the presence of the City Council.

V. F. Publicover
V. F. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

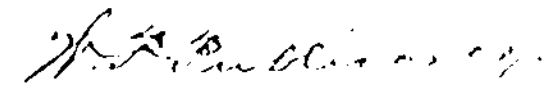
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ALDERMEN

Office of the City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 30, 1953.

WILLIAM B. MORIARTY for WARD #1, WILLIAM C. DUNLOP for WARD #2, BURTON O. MACDONALD for WARD #3, LEONARD A. KITZ for WARD #4, JOHN E. AHERN for WARD #5, LLOYD W. ALLEN for WARD #6 and BYRON M. HATFIELD for WARD #7 having been on the 30th day of April A. D. 1953, by the City Clerk in the presence of the City Council publicly declared duly elected Aldermen of the City of Halifax for the Wards for which they were severally and individually respectively elected at the election held on the 29th day of April A. D. 1953.

I do hereby certify that before entering upon the duties of Alderman, the following named Candidates, William B. Moriarty for Ward #1, William C. Dunlop for Ward #2, Burton O. Macdonald for Ward #3, Leonard A. Kitz for Ward #4, John E. Ahern for Ward #5, Lloyd W. Allen for Ward #6 and Byron M. Hatfield for Ward #7 were each and severally sworn before His Honour Alastair Fraser, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia by subscribing and taking the Oaths of Allegiance, of Office of Alderman and of Justice of the Peace for the City of Halifax and signed the roll of Aldermen in the presence of the City Council on the 30th day of April A. D. 1953.


W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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4:20 P. M. Council reconvened the following persons being present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

CAPITAL BUDGET 1953

The City Manager submitted for consideration a proposed Capital Budget for 1953 amounting to a total sum of \$1,404,000.00.

His Worship the Mayor: "The items shown on this budget are items which require attention by listing them in the various years he has added to give them the priority they deserve. The total is slightly under \$1,000,000.00. While it is the right of Council to decide what the total capital expenditure will be I would like to say that on the occasion of the floating of our last bond issue when the Manager and I were in New York, it was pointed out to us the relationship of our present funded debt to our assessed value of property that it was considered unwise that we should build up our capital debt to any extent over the next 5 years. 5 years from now our net funded debt would not be increased, in fact it would be slightly decreased. It is for us to decide whether the budget should be as it is proposed or whether it should be altered in any way."

Alderman Vaughan: "The big thing facing Council is the \$1,000,000.00 ceiling. Is there any reason why we could expect any increase in assessments to offset the increase in our debt?"

City Manager: "Consideration was given to that point. It was felt that whatever increase was given, it would probably take care of the increase in the current expenditures."

Alderman Vaughan: "We were told that a City Manager would bring about a more efficient civic administration thereby lowering the costs in that direction. The Manager tells us that any increase in the assessment would only take care of the increase in civic administration. We are now going to stop this orderly progress we

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have been maintaining for the last 20 years. We are not going to
will mend the cloth and not buy a new suit."

Alderman Lloyd: "Sometimes we are inclined to forget that
the Manager is only one part of the system and the Council is the
other part. I still think the system is a sound one. I think an
early examination of our progress under the Council-Manager form
of Government would be most welcomed by me, and most appropriate
in view of the discussions in the light of the last several weeks.

As to the budget I make this suggestion, is there any grave
difficulty to be encountered if we do not pass this today? Is
there a possibility to deal with it at the next regular meeting of
the City Council?"

His Worship the Mayor: "It was not anticipated that we
could complete it today. A special meeting of Council would be
needed to finalize it. You will have ample time to discuss the
matter later on."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Allen that
Council resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole. Motion passed.

Council adjourned.

4:40 P. M.

5:10 P. M. Council reconvened the following members being
present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, [unclear],
Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen,
Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

His Worship the Mayor asked if Council would consider two
items that were not on the agenda, and Council unanimously agreed
to have the items added to the agenda and considered.

ADDITIONAL BORROWING FOR SCHOOL BOARD
ALEXANDRA SCHOOL - \$16,000

Halifax, N. S.,
April 28th, 1953.

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

Dear Mr. Publicover:

Further to our telephone conversation of today, I beg to

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make application, on behalf of the Board, for consideration of the following matter at the Special Council Meeting to be held on Thursday. Our Board will be meeting on Friday afternoon and it will be obliged to act on Tenders according to the wishes of the City Council in this regard.

Sometime ago application was made to City Council for an amount of \$54,350 for building a four room addition to Alexandra School, which amount had been passed by City Council and approval given by Department of Municipal Affairs.

Plans and specifications for this job were recently completed and tenders called for the erection. On opening the tenders it was found that they greatly exceeded the amount approved by the Board, due to various causes, which will be explained to your Council by our Commissioner C. A. Vaughan.

On behalf of the Board I now make application for an additional amount of \$16,000 to cover this job, which will provide for the erection, architects fees and furnishings of the four rooms.

Trusting that you will be able to place this matter on your Agenda, and thanking you in advance for your usual kind consideration of our need, I am

Yours very truly,

H. F. Bezanson,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Alderman Vaughan gave an outline of the facts leading up to the request. He said the ceiling of the auditorium needed to be strengthened by putting in trusses. Also needed were fire escapes and some windows had to be changed.

Alderman Kitz: "Two years later you find you need another two rooms. There are no new houses in the area. Would the Commissioner explain why the plans of 2 years ago seem to be off?"

Alderman Vaughan: "It was planned more like 5 years ago. There is a greater concentration in the blocks surrounding the school. Mr. Parsons said they were expecting 75 pupils in the Primary last year and they got 135. There is some urgency in the matter and we want to be ready for September 1953. Part-time classes will be done away on September 1st."

His Worship the Mayor: "We are asked to rely on the School Board estimate to build new schools and here we find in a short time they were in error."

Alderman Kitz: "How often do they take a check of the area?"

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Is it done annually?"

Alderman Vaughan: "No. We are asking the administrative staff to analyse a survey made last June."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the additional borrowing of \$16,000.00 for Alexandra School be approved.

Alderman O'Malley: "At a meeting of the Teachers' Committee the matter was brought up. While the approval for the borrowing had been given two years ago the amount was \$54,000.00. We were advised that the lowest tender was \$8,000.00 above that. We are now asked to go to \$70,000.00. What brings it up to \$16,000.00?"

Alderman Lane: "Labor costs also enter into the increased amount. Costs are higher than two years ago when the estimate was made."

The motion was then put and passed the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

A Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$16,000.00 was submitted.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the resolution as submitted be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

It was moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the City Manager be requested to ascertain from the School Board what their policy is in ascertaining future school population demands.

Alderman Dunlop felt that in order to keep up to date on this matter it might require the services of two employees. He said

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that the amount was less than \$20,000 per classroom for Alexandra School.

The motion was then put and passed.

5:25 P. M. Alderman Lloyd retires from the meeting.

TENDERS FOR CONCESSIONS

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
and Members of Council,

From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: April 30, 1953.

Subject: Tenders on Concessions

	<u>Fleming Park</u>	<u>Commons (Mobile)</u>	<u>Public Gardens</u>	<u>Horseshoe Island</u>
F. A. Grant	500.00 (1 year)			
*F. A. Grant	600.00 (3 years)			
Commercial Caterers	575.00			
Vasil Velcoff		1,000.00 (3 years)		
*Commercial Caterers		975.00 (1 year)		
C. Zlatin			700.00	
C. Zlatin			800.00	
W. D. Hartlen			800.00	
W. D. Hartlen			800.00 (3 years)	
*Commercial Caterers			950.00	
Frank Lohnes				200.00
Ralph Gass				255.00
*John F. O'Hara				275.00
Commercial Caterers				275.00

*Recommended tender. In case of Horseshoe Island, two tenders are identical, one is by resident of Halifax and recommended. Three year bid figures are all per year except Velcoff's which is the amount for the full three years.

A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager.

The report was considered item by item.

FLEMING PARK

City Manager: "For this year the present building will have to do. We may have some discussion from the County authorities as to the use of that building because I think it was to be temporary. If the Council put up its own building, it could give 10% rebate. You could make whatever stipulation you want. There was \$20,000.00 passed for a new building."

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Alderman Hatfield: "We could grant it for three years as long as the present building continues."

Alderman Dunlop: "It looks like Mr. Grant is satisfied to pay \$600.00 for 3 years for an old building. We should be satisfied to accept that and remove the \$10,000.00. We would be better off to do without a building over there."

Alderman Ahern: "Who are the Commercial Caterers?"

The City Manager read their application for the information of Council.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the tender of Mr. Grant at \$600.00 per year, for 3 years be accepted.

Alderman DeWolf: "Has not the City some money towards the rebuilding of the canteen? Some insurance?"

Mr. Harris: "I can recall an amount for insurance. It was added to the \$10,000.00 for the residence of the caretaker."

Alderman DeWolf: "I would like to see some strings on it. I would rather consider it year by year."

The motion was then put and passed.

COMMONS (MOBILE)

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the tender of Commercial Caterers at \$975.00 for one year be accepted.

Alderman Ahern objected to the motion and stated that Mr. Velcoff had paid City taxes and the matter should be deferred for a discussion with him.

The motion was put and passed 9 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Hatfield
Vaughan
Allen
Kitz
Adams
Macdonald
Lane
Dunlop
DeWolf

AGAINST IT

Alderman MacMillan
Ahern
O'Malley
Moriarty

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GARDENS

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the tender of Commercial Caterers at \$950.00 for one year be accepted.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Allen
Dunlop
DeWolf
Hatfield
Kitz
Lane
Macdonald
MacMillan
O'Malley
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman
Alderman
MacMillan

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- 3 -

HORSESHOE ISLAND

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the tender of John F. O'Hara at \$275.00 be accepted. Motion passed.

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

Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

W. P. Publicover
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CITY CLERK.