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

OVERHANGING SIGNS

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 8th 1954

Subject: Overhanging Signs

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 4th,
a report from the Building Inspector recommending that the follow-
ing signs be allowed to be erected was approved and recommended
to City Council.

# 6 Hunter Street	-Bens Ltd.	4' x 3'	\$5.00	Illuminated
#53 Almon Street	- " "	4' x 3'	5.00	"
#675 Robie Street	- " "	4' x 3'	5.00	"
#125 Young Street	- " "	4' x 3'	5.00	"
#795 Barrington St.	- Harry Hum	6' x 3'	5.00	"
#693	" Ontario Tattoo Artist	5' x 3'	5.00	"
#135 Hollis St.	-Capital Music Co.	6' x 6'	5.00	Neon Sign
#171 Windsor St.	- D. E. Hiseler	4' x 5'	5.00	Illuminated
#30 $\frac{1}{2}$ Hollis St.	- Bens Ltd.	4' x 3'	5.00	"
#274 Barrington St.	-Tilden Rent a Car	4' x 4'	5.00	"
#34 Argyle St.	-Atlantic Rent a Car Ltd.	12' x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ '	5.00	"

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

PURCHASE OF LAND FROM MR. D. VALENTINE VAUGHAN AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 8th 1954

Subject: Re Purchase of Land - Douglas Valentine, Vaughan Avenue

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on March 4th
considered the attached report from the Commissioner of Works
relative to an area of land in the rear of Mr. Valentine's property
on Bayers Road required for the extension of the Vaughan Avenue
Sewer.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to

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City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

His Worship the Mayor and Committee on Works

A. C. Harris, Commissioner of Works

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At a meeting of the City Council held last June an extension of the Vaughan Avenue Sewer was ordered, and before the extension could be proceeded with it was necessary to secure an area of land in the rear of Mr. Douglas Valentine's property, which fronts on Bayers Road. The area required was approximately Five Hundred and Ninety (590') Feet, and Mr. Valentine was willing to convey the land to the City for the nominal sum of \$1.00.

Mr. Valentine is not prepared to sign the deed conveying this portion of land required for sewer purposes to the City of Halifax, stating that he feels he should not be charged for sewer frontage, since he is served by the sewer on Bayers Road.

The amount of sewer assessment was \$65.00, and it is recommended that the amount of consideration be made at this figure.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works & City Engineer.

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

SEWER EXTENSION MR. E. T. MARRIOTT, LOT ON LONDON STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 8th 1954

Subject: Request for Sewer Connection-Mr. E.T.Marriott - Lot on
London Street.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on March 4th the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending a 50 ft. extension of the sewer system on London Street, at an approximate cost of \$500.00, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

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

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

From: A. C. Harris, Commissioner of Works

Date: March 4th, 1954

A request has been received from Mr. E. T. Marriott stating that he has recently bought a lot on the northern side of London Street, and has requested that the sewer be extended eastwardly to serve this lot.

A sketch has been prepared and it has been found that an extension to the sewer system of 50' would be required. The estimated cost of this extension is approximately \$500.00, and the estimated assessment \$350.00.

It is recommended that this work be ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works.

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

TENDERS FOR TRUCKS

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

From: W. P. Publicover, City Clerk

Date: March 11th, 1954

Subject: Tenders for Trucks.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above date, the attached tabulation of tenders for heavy trucks was considered.

The Committee recommended the purchase of the following:

CITADEL MOTORS LTD.

Item No. 1 - G. M. C.	\$ 5,695.00
Item No. 4 - G. M. C.	6,100.00

WOOD MOTORS (NS.) LTD.

Item No. 2 - Ford	5,700.00
Item No. 4 - Ford	5,950.00

TRAINOR AUTO SERVICE LTD.

Item No. 3 - International	4,813.00
Item No. 4 - International	6,000.00

Total	\$34,258.00
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Alderman Moriarty and Alderman Lane wished to be recorded against.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

Alderman DeWolf: "Is there a cost made up on each mile of the City trucks. I know many large companies keep a performance of the operation of the trucks. Then they know what to buy."

Alderman Lane: "It was against the recommendation of the Commissioner of Works that is why I voted against it. His opinion should be considered. I was against splitting."

Mr. West: "We worked the last week on the records to get the cost per mile on our trucks. The average cost is 21 cents per mile."

Alderman DeWolf: "From now the cost should be made up."

Mr. West: "Next year we will be able to give the hourly cost."

Alderman Moriarty: "The reason I voted against the purchase of three different trucks was on the value of the trucks for the money we are going to pay. The G. M. C. struck me as the one we would get the most value for the money we pay. The reason was the size of the motor in the G. M. C. 3 ton job was greater than the size of the International. I could buy the G. M. C. for \$66.70 as against \$158.00 for the International. We are buying trucks to do work in the City of Halifax."

Alderman Lloyd: "The life expectancy of these machines is the ultimate cost. We eliminate all those who do not meet the specifications."

His Worship the Mayor: "The City Manager after consultation with the Commissioner of Works recommended 6 Internationals."

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Alderman Dunlop: "On the prices before you and on a unit price the recommendations in the G. M. C. and Ford are the lowest for the trade-in. The International is \$38.00 higher than the second Ford. After one year's experience the Commissioner of Works will be better able to tell us the operation of these trucks."

Alderman Moriarty: "If we get 6 G. M. C.'s we can switch one part to the other."

Alderman Macdonald: "I understand all these trucks meet the required specifications."

His Worship the Mayor: "That is right."

Alderman Macdonald: "I gathered the Commissioner of Works felt it was a pretty fair thing to do."

Mr. West: "We are trying to keep closest to the \$27,000.00 in the budget. We were hoping that by purchasing through the Provincial Government Purchasing Agent we would save enough to keep the appropriation without hurting it. The reason I mention the G. M. C.'s is that we have a lot of hills in Halifax and when we are plowing in winter we have a lot of up-hill plowing. I think the G. M. C. is better on the hills than the Ford or International."

Alderman Moriarty: "The G. M. C. has more horsepower."

The motion was then put and passed 11 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Kitz
Ahern
Allen
Vaughan
Hatfield
MacMillan
DeWolf
Dunlop
Macdonald
Adams
Lloyd

AGAINST IT

Alderman Moriarty
Lane

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RESUBDIVISION GILLIS & McKENNA PROPERTY NEWTON AVENUE

February 22nd 1954

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on February 18th 1954, considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of a plan of resubdivision of a new lot on Newton Avenue made up of part of the land given to bounding owners where Second Street was closed.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that this resubdivision be approved, as shown on Plan No. 00-6-12667, and that no public hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION LOTS #6 & #7 CORKUM PROPERTY BASINVIEW DRIVE

February 22nd, 1954.

Resubdivision of Lots 6 and 7 -
H. W. Corkum Subdivision - Basinview Drive

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on February 18th 1954 considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of a plan of resubdivision of lots 6 and 7 Basinview Drive, showing a small section of Lot 7 being cut off and added to Lot 6 to permit the exchange of these two lots between two owners.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that this resubdivision be approved, as shown on Plan No. 00-6-12668, and that no public hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

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RESUBDIVISION LOTS #11, #12 & #13 INGLEWOOD DRIVE

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

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 8th 1954

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on March 4th 1954 considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of a plan of subdivision of lots 11, 12 and 13 of the Inglewood Subdivision.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that a report of approval be referred to City Council and that no public hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION LOT #43 INGLEWOOD "B"

February 22nd, 1954.

Resubdivision of Lot #43, Inglewood "B"

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on February 18th 1954, considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of a plan of resubdivision of Lot 43, Inglewood "B" to add a ten-foot strip to the right-of-way of Lot 10.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that the resubdivision be approved, as shown on Plan No. 00-6-12669, and that no public hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that this meeting do now adjourn to reconvene at the call of the Chair.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Allen
Vaughan
Hatfield
Moriarty
Dunlop
Macdonald
Adams

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Ahern
MacMillan
DeWolf
Lane
Lloyd
Kitz

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Meeting adjourned.

12:45 A. M.

R. A. Donahoe

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

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

EVENING SESSION
ADJOURNED MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
March 19, 1954,
8:00 P. M.

An adjourned 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, Dunlop, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Also present were Messrs. A. A. DeBard, Jr., W. P. Publicover, R. H. Stoddard, G. P. Bethune, Q. C., L. M. Romkey, W. A. G. Snook, V. W. Mitchell, A. J. Yeaton, G. F. West and Dr. A. R. Morton.

8:05 P. M. Aldermen Adams and Macdonald arrive.

HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE APPROACHES

Read report from the Finance and Executive Committee as follows:

Halifax, N. S.,
March 8, 1954.

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 approaches to the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission be advised that the property located at the southwest corner of North and Barrington Streets presents a traffic hazard because of the incidence of the project and the diagonal street, therefore the Commission should give more serious consideration to its responsibility in acquiring the above mentioned property.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Read report from the City Manager as follows:

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

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

Date: March 15, 1954

Subject: Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Approaches

This item was deferred for lack of time at the meeting of March 11 and this memorandum is to emphasize two points in connection with the subject matter.

1. The view was expressed in previous memoranda that the Bridge Commission was responsible for proper approaches to the Bridge. The legislation reads as follows:

Nova Scotia Laws, 1950, Chap. 7, Section 9. The Commission is constituted and shall have power to construct, maintain and operate a bridge and the necessary approaches thereto across Halifax Harbor from a point within the City of Halifax to a point within the Town of Dartmouth.

The primary principle of a toll project is that the people who enjoy the facility should pay for its erection and maintenance.

The citizens of Halifax are pleased there is to be a bridge, but any concluded agreement which saddles the City with construction costs for approaches which will be immediately or shortly needed is not a fair one to the City. The City officials are aware there will be additional traffic costs throughout the City, but feel those involving capital expenditures should be a responsibility of the Bridge Commission.

2. Question has been raised as to the authoritativeness of suggestions made by the City staff as to further development of the approaches. The Manager states that any suggestions made have been modest ones which seem to be a minimum for proper use of the bridge. It may be that actual development plans might be prepared by traffic experts. The Bridge Commission did not act upon a suggestion from City Council that an outside expert be sought for an opinion. Members of our staff - Town Planning Engineer, Snook, Police Chief, Mitchell, Traffic Inspector, O'Brien, and the writer place before you their opinion that planned approaches are too 'tight' and predict there will be congestion and general dissatisfaction with present plans plus high police costs.

We submit for your consideration the minimum requirements to be:

1. The diagonal street and southeast corner of Brunswick Street and North Street which the Commission has agreed to finance.
2. Acquisition of the southwest corner of Barrington and North Streets.

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3. Acquisition of the north side of North Street from Brunswick to Gottingen Streets.

Without these bare necessities we can see nothing but traffic problems and public inconvenience from inadequate approaches.

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

Alderman Ahern: "I would like to see that body go along with the Manager's report. We should have a report from the members of the Bridge Commission as to the attitude of the Commission while our two members sat in on the meeting."

His Worship the Mayor: "The attitude of the Bridge Commission was that there was a fire at the northwest corner of Barrington and North Streets and it was pointed out that development in the area would suggest that it would be wise to acquire that land including the land occupied by the tavern and some part of the vacant lots in order to widen the street. It was not their responsibility or obligation to acquire that land and they were pointing out that now was the appropriate time to acquire it. They said it was not their responsibility and we leave the decision to you. They are not convinced at the moment that it is a necessity. They say these improvements are not within their definition of the word 'approaches' and the responsibility should fall on the City and not the Bridge Commission."

Alderman Hatfield: "Is there any suggestion of arbitration in the legislation?"

His Worship the Mayor read the legislation for the information of the Council and said he did not think there was any tribunal set up.

Alderman Dunlop: "I would think that approaches would be a question for the next 20 years. I don't see why the acquisition of necessary facilities to allow access to the bridge is not in the legislation. My suggestion would be to go along with the Commission. The responsibility is just as much their's as the City. In time perhaps they might have to come around our way."

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Alderman Ahern: "I think the Council should give the two the Commission authorization to make some sort of an arrangement with the Bridge Commission that would not call for any out of the taxpayers pockets."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the question is who will pay for the costs of it if, as and when."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Council instruct its representatives on the Bridge Commission to present to the Commission the view-points on the approaches as expressed in the City Manager's report to this Council as expressed in his opinion in the matter.

Alderman DeWolf: "The Commission did suggest to wait awhile to see where the great amount of traffic will approach the bridge from. Why not wait awhile to see how the traffic will flow and where it at that time?"

City Manager: "As soon as the bridge is opened you are going to have a traffic problem but we may be wrong. We felt the problem would be there as soon as the bridge is opened."

The motion was then put and passed.

LEGISLATION Re: HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE

The following legislation was submitted:

The Charter is amended by inserting therein, immediately

Section 545B thereof, the following Section:

545C. Notwithstanding the provisions of Sections 524 and 545 and any other enactment requiring any street hereafter laid out to be not less than sixty feet in width, the City may lay out or cause to be laid out and accept as a City street a street extending from the intersection of North Street and Barrington Street in a northwesterly direction to the eastern side of Brunswick Street on the north side of the plaza of the Bridge over the Harbour and be not less than sixty feet in width.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

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SUBDIVISION COLLISHAW PROPERTY.-VICTORIA RD. & THOMPSON COURT

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 8th 1954

Subject:

At meetings of the Town Planning Board held on February 18th and March 4th, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer was considered.

The Committee recommended that this be referred to City Council for consideration, and for direction of policy for subdivision of such lots in the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

His Worship the Mayor: "Under the Town Planning Act the decision is vested in the Town Planning Board. They are asking for a direction on policy. Even if we give it, under the legislation it is not binding on the Town Planning Board.

Alderman Lloyd: "The legal position should be cleared first."

The City Solicitor explained the situation according to the Zoning By-Law.

Alderman Lloyd: "It seems there is something that should be studied."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman MacMillan that the Town Planning Board be requested to make such recommendations to Council as it deems advisable after due consideration by that Board.

Alderman Moriarty: "On Victoria Road when you investigate, the situation does not seem to be a hard one to remedy. There is a large space behind those properties. It would not be very expensive to have it available to separate those houses. From the construction of the houses they could be classed as individual houses because the houses have a brick wall between them. At the present time

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it is almost impossible and it is not fair to an individual who wants to buy a house that he can't buy it. I would like to see the situation cleared up."

Alderman DeWolf: "Is it not a fact that the Town Planning Act is referring to vacant land. Where this planning was done 100 years ago, it can work quite a hardship in many cases. It affects some of the older districts particularly in the southside of the City. If one of those houses were destroyed then I would not expect anyone to be able to build again on the narrow lot. Until they are destroyed by fire or age, I see nothing against them being individually owned and anyone being worse off if they are multiply owned."

Alderman Dunlop: "This matter has been coming before the Town Planning Board at every meeting. I think I can say there has not been any consistent treatment of the applications. Some have been turned down and some have been granted. I believe it was the hope of the Town Planning Board that this Council would indicate if it favored the splitting up of this type of property. The Town Planning Engineer has consistently recommended against. If it goes back to the Town Planning Board, I will feel that this Council has no objection to it."

The motion was put and passed. Alderman Kitz was not present when the motion was put.

MODIFICATION OF LOT AREA ON DUBLIN STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 8th 1954

Subject: Request for Modification of Lot Area on Dublin Street

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on March 4th considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of a request from Mr. John F. Thomson to modify the area of a lot on the east side of Dublin Street, immediately north of Civic Number 77 Dublin Street. This lot measures 35 x 100 feet.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that Council

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permit the development of this lot and that no public hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

REZONING REAR OF #315 DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 8th 1954

Subject:

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on March 4th 1954 considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending approval of a request from Mrs. Bayne Hilchie to rezone the rear portion of her land on Dutch Village Road from Second Density Residential to Commercial.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that the application be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report be approved and Council fix Thursday, April 15, 1954 at 8:00 P. M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S. as the time and place for the hearing in this matter. Motion passed.

EXTENSION OF ZONING #166 WINDSOR STREET

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

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 8th 1954

Subject:

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on March 4th

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1954 considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending refusal of an application from R. E. Pilcher requesting that the Commercial zone at the corner of Windsor and Almon Streets be extended some thirty feet southwardly to include the property known as #166 Windsor Street.

The Committee recommended approval of the application, with Alderman Lane wishing to be recorded against.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

The City Clerk submitted and read an objection received from Marjorie and Frank Burgess of #154 Windsor Street suggesting that if the proposal were carried out by Mr. Pilcher their property would be depreciated in value.

Alderman Vaughan: "When we passed the Zoning By-Law in 1939 we had presented a City Plan with certain corner lots marked off in red. Do we have an official plan that is to scale in the possession of any official in the City showing the actual limits of such Commercial Zones?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The regulation settles it."

Alderman Vaughan: "How far does the corner lot extend on the map?"

Mr. Snook: "The maps do show the footage measurements."

Alderman Vaughan: "I thought we were only considering the open corner property. Why do we take 3 feet of the residential property and designate it as commercial. There is a similar case in Ward 6 that is causing some concern."

Alderman O'Malley: "When the City laid the pavement on Almon St. they took 3 or 4 feet off my corner property. It looks like the line has been taken from the original line. It should have been that many feet less."

His Worship the Mayor: "They did not make allowance for that. I would say the zoning is correct, but it was made in 1939."

Alderman MacMillan: "The whole west side of Windsor Street

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commercial before the Town Planning Law came into effect. I hope Mr. Pilcher is quite willing to conform with the wishes of the party who wrote that letter. They were under the impression that the store would come right out to the sidewalk. They have requested if the store front is kept where it is now, they would be object."

Mr. R. Downie was present representing Mr. Pilcher and wished to be heard.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the Rules of Order of Council be suspended to hear Mr. Downie. Motion passed.

Mr. Downie addressed the Council as follows: "My understanding is that the southern boundary of the commercial zone is 125 feet within the north boundary of Mr. Pilcher's lot therefore we are applying our application under Clause "C" of Part 15 of the Zoning By-Law. It is at the discretion of the Council whether or not there will be a public hearing. The property at the southwest corner of Windsor and Almon Sts. is a vacant lot. Immediately to the south of that is Mr. Pilcher's lot. The business zone is 3 feet in from his north boundary. His proposal is to remove the glass porch and put the store front in flush with the main body of the house. Mr. Pilcher asks that no hearing be held because his lease expires on Gottingen Street on May 1st. and those who are actively engaged in opposition are Mr. & Mrs. Burgess."

Mr. Downie, at the request of Alderman Vaughan, described the properties in the area of Windcrest Terrace, Deacon and Almon Sts.

His Worship the Mayor: "If the commercial zone does encroach, it does so because there was an error. It was done to correct and it was never intended that that be done as it was only to zone the corner lot. The lot had been reduced to 122 feet and was zoned 125 feet from the corner."

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Alderman DeWolf: "Is this an R-3 Zone?"

Mr. Snook: "Yes."

Alderman DeWolf: "Under Clause 'I' anybody is allowed to build a greenhouse. Under the law he is allowed to do it. It is in the Zoning By-Law."

Alderman Vaughan: "I understand the corner lot is commercial. Would the Building Inspector grant a permit for the erection of a service station without any question?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I would think it would be within his right to do so."

Alderman Vaughan: "Could it happen that some residents of the area could petition this Council against the granting of a permit for the service station?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't think so. The Solicitor pointed out that filling stations do come under different treatment." He then read the Section of the Charter dealing with filling stations.

Alderman Vaughan: "The fact that it is partly zoned commercial and owned by an oil Company does not necessarily mean it will follow in that manner. The Committee on Works may see fit to take the application down."

Alderman Hatfield: "I have received no objections whatsoever for Mr. Pilcher to build an addition."

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the extension of the C-1 district on Windsor Street be permitted to include the lot owned by Mr. Pilcher.

Alderman O'Malley: "I am happy to second the motion providing the store front does not extend beyond the present building and the residences on that particular street."

His Worship the Mayor: "If you rezone this you have no right to put restrictions on it. You are then in the hands of the Building Inspector. Any succeeding owner who wants to use this

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for her purposes is free to do so. I don't think the condition can be imposed as suggested by Alderman O'Malley."

Moved an amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Dunlop that a public hearing be held at the April meeting of Council at which time objections can be heard from interested parties in the matter of extending the C-1 district on Windsor Street to include the lot owned by Mr. Pilcher.

Alderman Dunlop: "I would suggest that he put in writing what he is prepared to do before Council and the objections could be heard."

The amendment was put and lost 6 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Ahern
Allen
Vaughan
Moriarty
Dunlop
Adams

AGAINST IT

Alderman Hatfield
MacMillan
DeWolf
Macdonald
Lloyd
Kitz
O'Malley

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The original motion as moved by Alderman Hatfield and seconded by Alderman Ahern was put and passed 11 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Allen
Hatfield
MacMillan
DeWolf
Moriarty
Macdonald
Adams
Lloyd
Kitz
O'Malley
Ahern

AGAINST IT

Alderman Vaughan
Dunlop

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APPLICATION TO REZONE COOK AVENUE

An application was submitted from the Community Housing League requesting rezoning of a portion of Cook Avenue immediately

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earl Civic #31 from Park and Institutional to Residential First Density.

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

APPLICATION TO REZONE COLUMBUS STREET

An application was submitted from Mr. C. G. Abbott requesting that a lot owned by him on Columbus Street be rezoned from Residential Second Density to Residential Third Density.

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

AFFILIATED NURSING COURSE

Halifax, N. S.,
March 3, 1954.

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, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending that an agreement be entered into with the Grace Maternity Hospital, so that the Student Nurses may take an affiliated course with the Halifax Tuberculosis Hospital effective from April 1, 1954, and that an agreement between the City and the Payzant Memorial Hospital be terminated as of March 31, 1954.

Your Committee concurs in these recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

9:15 P. M. Alderman Hatfield retires.

REPORT SPECIAL COMMITTEE Re: CITY HALL UNION AGREEMENT

The Committee appointed by the City Council to bargain with the Committee of the Halifax Civic Employees Union in connection with the new Agreement has met with the Committee and heard representation on the following matters:

1. A flat increase of \$600.00 to all employees over the 1950 scale including the incorporation of the cost of living into the scale,

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2. Check off for Union Dues from all employees,
3. Seniority within the various Departments.

The Committee considers that the scale of salaries recommended by the Council on the report of the Job Evaluation Commission is fair and reasonable and in line for services outside the City limits, and is not prepared to recommend any increase.

The Committee does not recommend the other requests

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March 4th, 1954.

A. H. MacMillan
William C. Dunlop
B. O. Macdonald.

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

Read letter from the Halifax Civic Employees Federal Union
as follows:

Halifax, Nova Scotia
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His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

We wish to advise that the Halifax Civic Employees' Federal
Union, Local 143 is now prepared to sign a one year Agreement
with the City.

We wish to point out, however, that although the Job
Evaluation, in some cases, is adequate, it is not favourable to
us in general, and we wish to go on record as such.

We would further point out that when salary increases or
Evaluations are being considered and respective cases being
considered, other groups of Civic Workers are given priority over
ours, and it is our hope that this fact will be taken into
consideration in the future.

Respectfully submitted,

Miss Mae MacKenzie, Sect'y.,
Halifax Civic Employees'
Federal Union, Local 143.

Alderman Vaughan: "I never received a request from the
Union to sit down and discuss the matter with them."

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't think you should have."

Alderman Vaughan: "Did they not express to you Mr. Manager
that they were not qualified to do a job evaluation?"

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City Manager: "They said that to me and I passed that information on to you verbally and said they would like to sit in. I don't think it was ever discussed by the Committee but I could not be sure."

Alderman Vaughan: "I don't think we ever had a formal request from this Union to sit in."

Alderman Lloyd: "We feel we generally tackled the job to the best of our ability. If there are any obvious inequities we should bring them forward and straighten them out."

Alderman Vaughan: "We did not have the time nor the information available to do the same detailed study on the administrative staff salaries as we had on the outside salaries. I think they were treated fairly."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report of the Special Committee be approved and His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute an Agreement between the City and the Union on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

DELETION SECTION 84 OF THE CITY CHARTER

Alderman Adams: "I wish that deferred until later in the year because the time is short for legislation."

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that this matter be deferred. Motion passed.

ESTABLISHMENT OF PROFESSIONAL OFFICES IN R-3 RESIDENTIAL ZONE

Alderman DeWolf: "When the Zoning By-Laws were established certain things were overlooked. Since 1950 there have been changes. Two different groups of Doctors spoke to me about the establishment of Doctors offices in the R-3 Zone. I suggest that the use of medical practitioners in the area would not be wise."

Alderman DeWolf submitted the following amendment to the Zoning By-Laws:

IN THE MATTER OF THE ZONING BY-LAWS

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- and -

IN THE MATTER OF AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION
1 OF PART VI OF THE ZONING BY-LAW OF THE
CITY OF HALIFAX.

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of
Halifax under the authority of The Nova Scotia Town Planning
Act as follows:

1. Part VI of the Zoning By-Law of the City of Halifax,
approved by the City Council of the City of Halifax on the 11th
of May, 1950, and approved by the Minister of Municipal
Affairs on the 15th day of August, 1950, is amended by inserting
therein in Section 1 thereof, between clauses (h) and (i), the
following clause:

(i.) offices of medical doctors, lawyers, dentists,
Registered Professional Engineers, Registered
Architects and accountants.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Allen that
a hearing be held on this matter at the next regular meet-
ing of City Council viz: Thursday, April 15, 1954 at the City
Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., at 8:00 P. M. Motion
carried.

Alderman Vaughan: "Could we have additional information
as to what this is going to mean? Does it mean a person could build
a large addition on the house and operate a Doctor's office? Will
there be a limit as to what they can add on?"

Alderman DeWolf: "The Doctors who approached me did not
ask for a limit. They only wanted to use the existing premises."

The Town Planning Engineer was requested to mail out a
questionnaire to members of Council giving his recommendations and
whether the building be confined to the existing building or whether
it could be built.

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PARKING ON CITY PROPERTY-CORNER SACKVILLE ST. & BELL ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 10th 1954

Subject: Parking on Sackville Street - Corner of Sackville
Street and Bell Road

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on February 18th 1954 considered a request from the United Services Corporation Limited, for permission to establish a parking lot on City owned land at the corner of Sackville Street and Bell Road.

The lot would be for use by the general public and they would prepare the lot for parking and be responsible for snow plowing. The City would be under no obligation and they would be prepared to give up the parking whenever plans are made for widening Sackville Street.

The Committee recommended that the offer of the United Service Corporation be accepted and that public parking be permitted in the section outlined in red on the plan submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

CITY FIELD UNION - 40 HOUR WEEK

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

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

Date: March 11, 1954

Subject: City Field Union - 40-hour Week.

In accordance with a request of the City Field Union in the City Council, Mr. West and I met with representatives of the City Field Union on February 19, and discussed the suggestions they had to make regarding the installation of a 40-hour week at no additional cost to the City.

After an hours discussion, it was pretty thoroughly agreed that their suggestion was an impossibility, and any consideration of the 40-hour week with 44-hours take-home pay would cost the City not less than ten per cent additional.

I have received no further word from the Union, but presume

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that their request for a 40-hour week still stands.

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

Read letter from the Halifax Civic Workers' Federal Union in support of the 40 hour week.

Alderman Lloyd: "What is the affect in dollars and cents?"

City Manager: "\$50,000.00 to \$60,000.00 a year. It is a 10% increase."

Alderman Dunlop: "Would it bring up the scale of the Police and Fire Departments?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Certainly. If this were granted to this group the other ones would come along and use it."

Alderman Lloyd: "It does not follow that if they advance the others follow. You would have an endless cycle of increases. Some Alderman did mention here that a 40 hour week is pretty well established in industry and the City has to come to it. I thought there was a date mentioned. The rates have been determined and it should not be for this year."

Alderman Vaughan: "It is a trend in all industries across Canada to apply the 40 hour week. In most cases where the 40 hour week has been established, it has been done on a date well in advance of the application. I say if you made it January 1, 1955 you would give your staff a chance to work out schedules and Council an opportunity to study estimates."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the City Field Union be granted a 40 hour week to take effect January 1, 1955.

Alderman Kitz: "I agree with the purport or intention of the motion. My own office works staggered Saturdays, one on and one off. It might come to a five day week altogether. We might take it in steps with regard to the City Field. I would like to see it start somewhat sooner, but at the starting point have the staff work alternate Saturdays."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman

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Ahern that starting July 1, 1954 the hourly week for permanent employees at the City Field be divided into two parts to be worked out by the Manager to work a 40 and 44 hour week for a period of 12 months and thereafter at the expiration of that time to go on the 40 hour week.

His Worship the Mayor: "It does not follow that to give the 40 hour week that you have to give a 10% wage increase. I don't want to see this Council give a 40 hour week and also a 10% increase. It should be given consideration."

Alderman Lloyd: "You might make a better compromise with rates on the 40 hour week. You could distribute the work among the staff much better on a 40 hour week."

City Manager: "It would be better to have everyone on the same work week."

Alderman Lloyd: "If we go on the 40 hour week we will pay more money at the present rate of pay. We should relate our budget to the Agreement."

His Worship the Mayor: "I would prefer you to approach the time and see if you can afford the 40 hour week."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think it is a question of fixing a rate and see what services can be decided on that."

City Manager: "If we were to have a 40 hour week at the same hourly rate, then we would have more people employed and it would cost us no more money. This idea of getting 44 hours pay for 40 hours work is where you get the 10% increase. The Union wants the same take-home pay for 40 hours as working 44 hours."

Alderman Dunlop: "In effect, I think we would be establishing a rate of \$1.17. I suggest that we have made our budget. We know the 40 hour week is here and not coming. The letter is asking for the same pay for a 40 hour week. We know the basis of the Police and Fire Departments was the increase paid to the City Field. That was the only argument. I think we will be faced with the same argument all over again. As a member of the

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Committee dealing with the Civic Union we found them reasonable. They pointed out certain things. They asked for a flat increase of \$600.00 based on what the other Unions got. If we promise the City Field Union \$1.17 this year, I would not want to be on that Committee next year and tell the City Hall Union they are not entitled to that increase at all. The matter should be left in abeyance."

Alderman O'Malley: "I am not against a 40 hour week. The Job Evaluation Committee a few months ago recommended \$1.03 and Council decided on \$1.06 because the mechanics trade had offered \$1.06 to labor. They are getting no extras in the mechanics trade. I don't think we have any justification in entertaining a 40 hour week that will raise that."

Alderman Kitz: "When I heard Mr. Cody's letter being read, I thought I heard the letter say that the agreement was in your hands. I took it that it was the 1954 contract. It does change my thinking to some extent. I don't think we should entertain it in the middle of this year."

Alderman Lloyd: "The letter from the Union says the 40 hour week can be done at no extra cost."

His Worship the Mayor: "They take that back."

Alderman Lloyd: "We could put it through with a proviso 'that satisfactory rates can be agreed upon by the City and the Union.'"

Alderman Kitz, with the permission of his seconder and Council, withdrew his amendment.

Alderman Vaughan: "I hope there will be a certain work undertaken by the administration to enable a committee to decide what rates and services we can carry in implementing a 5 day week. We should get certain analysis of the civic work that can be performed."

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It was agreed that the following be added to the motion:
"providing satisfactory rates can be agreed upon between the City
and the Union."

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Vaughan
MacMillan
Moriarty
Dunlop
Macdonald
Adams
Lloyd
Kitz
O'Malley
Ahern
Allen

AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf

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LEGISLATION Re: FAIRVIEW CEMETERY

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Clerk of Works
Date: March 18th 1954
Subject: Re: Portion of Fairview Cemetery Land for a School Site

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above
date, recommended to City Council that the land described in the
attached description be allocated as a school site, following
the enactment of Bill No. 51.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Description

BE IT RESOLVED that Subject to the enactment of Bill No. 51 at
the present session of the Legislature the land as hereinafter
described be set aside as a site for the erection of a new public
school:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate,
lying and being on the northeastern side of Bayers Road between
Romans Avenue and the Canadian National Railway's Ocean Terminals

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Right-of-Way, as shown on a plan entitled "Bayers Road Proposed School Site" dated March 4th, 1954, and signed A. C. Harris, Commissioner of Works. The said plan being on file in the office of the said Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax, at City Hall, as Plan No. RR-1-12677;

Beginning at a point where the northeastern official street line of Bayers Road is intersected by the southeastern boundary line of Lot No. 1, the said point of beginning being distant southeastwardly One Hundred and Twelve Feet and Four-tenths of a Foot (112.4') from the intersection of the said northeastern official street line of Bayers Road with the southeastern boundary line of the said Canadian National Railways Ocean Terminals Right-of-Way, as shown on said plan.

Thence northeastwardly along the said southeastern boundary line of Lot No. 1 for a distance of One Hundred and Fifty-one feet and Five-tenths of a foot (151.5') more or less or to the eastern corner of said Lot No. 1, as shown on said plan;

Thence northwestwardly along the northeastern boundary line of said Lot No. 1 for a distance of One Hundred and Forty-eight Feet and Five-tenths of a Foot (148.5') more or less, or to the said southeastern boundary line of the Canadian National Railways Ocean Terminals Right-of-Way, as shown on said plan;

Thence northeastwardly along the said southeastern boundary line of the Canadian National Ocean Terminals Right-of-Way for a distance of Five Hundred (500') Feet, as shown on said plan;

Thence southeastwardly and at a right angle to the said southeastern boundary line of the Canadian National Railways Ocean Terminals Right-of-Way for a distance of Four Hundred (400') Feet, more or less, or to the northwestern boundary line of lands now or formerly owned by the City of Halifax and Central Housing and Mortgage Corporation, as shown on said plan;

Thence southwestwardly along the said northwestern boundary line of lands now or formerly owned by the City of Halifax and Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for a distance of Five Hundred and Thirty (530') feet, more or less or to the northeastern boundary line of Lot No. 2, as shown on said plan;

Thence northwestwardly along the said northeastern boundary line of Lot No. 2 for a distance of Two Hundred and Twenty-two feet and One-tenth of a Foot (222.1') more or less, or to the northern corner of said lot No. 2. The said northern corner of Lot No. 2 being distant southeastwardly Sixty (60') Feet, measured at a right angle to the first previously described course, as shown on said plan.

Thence southwestwardly parallel to and distant 60 Feet southeastwardly from the said first described course and along the northwestern boundary of said Lot No. 2 for a distance of One Hundred and Twenty-nine feet and one-tenths of a Foot (129.1') more or less or to the aforesaid northeastern official street line of Bayers Road, as shown on said plan;

Thence northwestwardly along the said northeastern official street line of Bayers Road for a distance of Sixty (60') Feet, more or less, or to the place of beginning, as shown on said plan.

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

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LEGISLATION ITEM #2 MASTER PLAN

2. (1) Subsection (4A) of Section 739A, as that subsection is enacted by Section 34 of Chapter 70 of the Acts of 1949, is amended by striking out the words "Master Plan" (so-called) prepared by the Planning Commission of the City and dated the 16th day of November, A. D. 1945, or on the Official Town Plan for the City" in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "Zoning By-law of the City."

(2) Subsection (6) of said Section 739A is amended by inserting therein, between the words "occupy" and "and" in the second line thereof, the words "or permit any person to occupy."

Moved by Alderman MacMillan, seconded by Alderman Dunlop that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION ITEM #3 HOSPITAL

3. Clause (a) of subsection (1) of Section 887A, as enacted by Section 34 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1943 and amended by Section 17 of Chapter 67 of the Acts of 1951 and Section 32 of Chapter 86 of the Acts of 1952 and Section 32 of Chapter 54 of the Acts of 1953, is further amended by striking out the words "Provided however that the amount of such liability shall in no case exceed the sum of six dollars for each day's actual treatment and stay of such patient in the hospital, together with" in the twenty-sixth, twenty-seventh, twenty-eighth, twenty-ninth and thirtieth lines thereof and substituting therefor the following words:

"Provided, however, that the amount of such liability shall be determined in respect of each day's actual treatment or stay of such patient in the Hospital according to rates fixed from time to time by the Council, but such rates shall in no case exceed the per diem rates determined from time to time by the Board of Commissioners of the Victoria General Hospital to be charged to any municipality for the maintenance, nursing and attendance upon any public ward patient in the Victoria General Hospital, to which shall be added."

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

APPLICATION TO OPERATE A HAIRDRESSING ESTABLISHMENT
411 YOUNG STREET

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

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 11th 1954

Subject:

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board on the above date, a report from the Building Inspector regarding approval of an application from Mrs. R. MacKean to operate a hairdressing establishment in her residence, #411 Young Street, was presented.

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The Committee recommended that a permit be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

FINAL CERTIFICATES STANDARD PAVING MARITIME LIMITED

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

From: Clerk of Works

Date: March 11th 1954

Subject:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above
date, the following Final Certificates were approved and recom-
mended for payment:

STANDARD PAVING MARITIME LIMITED ..

Sewer Contract 1953 - \$ 5447.88

Sewer Renewals 1953 - 839.79

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

TREE PLANTING

March 2nd, 1954.

Dear Alderman:-

The following is a list of streets, for your perusal, on
which we propose to plant trees this Spring:-

<u>STREET</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>SIDE</u>	<u>NO. OF TREES.</u>
Mumford Road	Chebucto Rd.	Dutch Village Rd.	North-West	63
Ashburn Avenue	Mumford Rd.	Abbott Dr.	Both	20
Hemlock St.	Mumford Rd.	Abbott Dr.	Both	40
Mayfield Ave.	Mumford Rd.	Abbott Dr.	Both	32

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Connaught Ave. Boulevard	Bayers Road	Regent Rd.	54
Jib	Corner Windsor St. & Clarendon St.		10
Rosemead Ave.	Leeds St.	Woodman Ave.	Both 33
Gottingen St.	Duffus St.	Hillside Ave.	Both 14
University Ave.	Seymour St.	LeMarchant St.	Both 8
University Ave. Boulevard	Seymour St.	Robie St.	43

TOTAL NO. OF TREES 351

Very truly yours,

G. F. West,
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

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

PREFAB HOUSING REPORT

Alderman DeWolf referred to the Prefab Housing Report for the month of February 1954 and stated that it contained two different interest rates being charged the purchasers; 5 and 5½ per cent. He felt it should be 5½ to everyone.

The City Manager was requested to submit a report on this matter at the next regular meeting of Council.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Alderman Allen on behalf of Alderman Hatfield gave notice that at the next regular meeting of Council he would move:

1. That the Council of the City of Halifax in co-operation with other governing bodies purchase an area outside the City limits of the City of Halifax for use as a prison farm.
2. That the same governing bodies then proceed with the construction of a prison farm.
3. That the use of the present City Prison be discontinued and the land be retained by the City of Halifax and the balance of the land be made available for house construction or such other use as the Council of the City of Halifax may direct.

RECOMMENDATION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CITY ASSESSOR

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

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

March 19, 1954.

Date: March 9, 1954

Subject: Recommendation for Appointment of Assessor

The following action was taken on the Manager's recommendation:-

Finance Committee Resolution re Appointment of City Assessor

"Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that this Committee send the recommendation of the City Manager on the appointment of the City Assessor to the City Council without recommendation from this Committee and that we recommend to the City Council that they consider the recommendation in camera before making their decision on the recommendation. Motion passed."

It was agreed by the Mayor and eight Aldermen present that no publicity would be given until after the Council had considered the matter "in camera."

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

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

Alderman Lloyd: "The only purpose for referring to the Mayor's Office is that there may be questions asked of the background of the applicant recommended. It gives an opportunity to explore more fully the qualifications of the person recommended for the position. It is in fairness to the applicant too."

His Worship the Mayor: "In the event we do not accept the recommendation we may do injury to him by speaking publicly. Definite action will be taken on the motion when we come back."

10:15 P. M. Council adjourned.

11:20 P. M. Council reconvened the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and MacMillan.

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

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

Date: March 8, 1954

Subject: Appointment - City Assessor -

Consideration of the application I have had before me for

City Assessor has not been the application of an individual who was head of the organization the rest. As is true in every replacement, but particularly in one for a position at the highest level, selection must be made between a candidate within the organization and one outside the organization to insure a new blood. Factors to be considered were education, experience and ability to get along with people. Next to education, the last factor is most important in the position of Assessor with his many public contacts.

The applicant I have selected is W. J. Symonds, presently Assessor for the Town of Dartmouth. He also serves as Building Inspector. He attended Dartmouth High School and completed through Grade 10. After two years in industry, he spent seven years as a policeman in the Town of Dartmouth and another seven years in the Army Air Department.

His references are excellent, including one from Mr. Aldro Jenks, Assessor of Waterbury, Conn., who has conducted many schools for Assessors in the U.S.A. and the Maritimes. Mr. Symonds has attended several management school sessions from 1949 through 1953. Before there was any knowledge we would have had of the position of Assessor, I was familiar with Mr. Symonds and his reputation with residents of the town of Dartmouth.

Both Mr. Symonds and I understand the position of City Assessor of Halifax as a more responsible position than his present one but he has a knowledge of values in this vicinity. He was engaged in the work of the office in Dartmouth and has carried on the work for some time since it was finished - not only carried it on but arose at some of the difficulties which sometimes arise at the conclusion of such a task.

At forty years of age Mr. Symonds gives promise of long and valuable service, if appointed.

With regard to salary stipulation (which was asked for at Council's direction) he asks \$8,500.00 until the re-assessment is completed and \$7,500.00 a year thereafter.

A. A. DeBard, Jr.
City Manager.

Alderman Lloyd: "After examining the report and making inquiries about qualifications of the applicant recommended and looking at the problem in all its aspects and also with respect to the fact that we are racing a development, I feel I cannot support the Manager's recommendation."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the recommendation of the City Manager for the appointment of a City Assessor be not accepted.

The motion was put and carried by a vote of 10 in the affirmative and 2 against it as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman MacMillan
DeWolf
Moriarty
Macdonald
Adams
Lloyd
O'Malley
Ahern
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Dunlop
Allen

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His Worship the Mayor stated that there were two sections in the City Charter dealing with the appointment of Heads of Departments which seemed to cause some confusion. The one he referred to dealt with the Finance and Executive Committee reporting to Council which he said was a hold over from the days when there was no City Manager. He suggested to Council that this section be deleted as he did not think it was consistent with the present procedure.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that legislation be secured to delete Section 109 (1) (A) (11) from the City Charter. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the City Manager re-advertise the position of City Assessor in papers circulating outside the Province of Nova Scotia. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the salary for the City Assessor be in keeping with what we pay our other Department Heads having regard to what is being paid to Assessors in other cities.

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the advertisement read "suggested salary \$6,500.00." Amendment passed.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Dunlop that a Special Meeting of City Council be held on May 6, 1954 for the purpose of considering the matter of the appointment of a City Assessor. Motion passed.

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

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

Date: March 11, 1954

Subject: Administrative report for February, 1954

1. Snow Removal.

	<u>January</u> <u>1954</u>	<u>February</u> <u>1954</u>	<u>Year</u> <u>to</u> <u>Date</u>
1. Filling sand boxes	144.24	103.35	247.59
2. Repairs to snow fences	6.96	-	6.96
3. Repairs to equipment	2,898.00	3,878.03	5,776.03
4. Salting streets - labor	3,777.90	2,064.83	5,842.73
5. " " material	6,936.30	4,487.40	11,423.70
6. Plowing " labor	3,375.69	4,986.59	8,362.28
7. Cleaning city property	891.58	1,056.98	1,948.56
8. Snow removal (Hauling)	5,080.98	9,049.53	14,130.51
9. Intersections and crosswalks	799.41	1,343.09	2,142.50
10. Cleaning catchpits	1,630.79	4,291.49	5,922.28
11. Gas & oil	2,178.37	2,449.28	4,619.65
12. Stores & Supplies	2,992.48	2,793.63	5,786.11
13. Miscellaneous	81.51	97.03	138.54
	<u>30,746.21</u>	<u>35,601.23</u>	<u>66,347.44</u>

253 miles of street were salted using 5,026 bags. There was less salting than in January, but more plowing - 2,100 miles as against 1,650 in January. We hauled two and a half times as much snow as in January - 34,020 cubic yards.

2. Streets and Sewers.

17 and a quarter tons of cold patch were used and sewer activity was at a minimum except that 75 sewer connections were checked and 35 cellars flooded.

A A De Bard, Jr.

City Manager.

March 19, 1954.

RE-ASSESSMENT

His Worship the Mayor introduced Mr. Ronald Rankin to the Council and stated that he had come from Montreal at his own expense to outline his method of a re-assessment. He suggested that Council resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole.

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

11:45 P. M. Council adjourned.

12:55 A. M. Council reconvened the following members being present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and MacMillan.

CITY MANAGER'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

A report was submitted from the City Manager for the month of February and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

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

FILED

TAX RATE 1954

From: P. L. M. Romkey, Deputy Commissioner of Finance Date March 1, 1954

To Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk

Dear Mr. Publicover:

In reply to your letter of February 25, 1954, I advise you that in pursuance of Section 409 of the City Charter, I have in accordance with the undernoted calculations, fixed the rate of taxation on business assessments and on business realty for the civic year 1954 at \$9.95 per one hundred.

Estimated Expenditures approved by City Council, February 24, 1954 ..	\$ 9,466,906.30
Add School Rebate.....	2,000.00
	<u>\$ 9,468,906.30</u>
Income.....	2,293,336.72
	<u>\$ 7,175,569.58</u>
Less Appropriated from Current Surplus.....	383,000.00
	<u>\$ 6,792,569.58</u>

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Less Licenses	\$ 46,875.00	
Special Assessments	50,000.00	
Wartime Housing (Emergency Shelters)	192.00	
Relief Commission (Emergency Shelters)	120.00	
Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation	3,250.00	
National Research Council	<u>5,887.49</u>	\$ 106,324.49
		<u>\$6,686,245.09</u>

Less Residential Realty and Household Assessments \$52,525,005.00 @ \$3.50 per hundred (rate fixed by Sub-section 1 of Section (409 of City Charter).....		\$1,835,375.17
		<u>\$4,847,869.92</u>

Less Poll Tax estimated for 1954.....	\$ 125,000.00
	<u>\$4,722,869.92</u>

Business Realty and Business Assessments \$47,468,256.00 @ \$9.95 per \$100.00 Assessment	<u>\$4,723,091.47</u>
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This letter further advises you that I have complied with the resolution of the City Council passed on February 24, 1954, and have declared the current rate of taxation to be \$9.95 per hundred.

Please notify the City Council accordingly.

Yours very truly,

L. M. Romkey,
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

F I L E D

APPROVALS MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

The following approval was reported from the Department of Municipal Affairs:

Withdrawal of the sum of \$9,100.00 from the Sale of Land Account required for the purpose of re-locating the sewer on George Dauphinee Avenue.

F I L E D

PREFAB HOUSING REPORT MONTH OF FEBRUARY

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

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

Date: March 9, 1954

Subject: Prefab Housing - Report for the Month of February, 1954

Foundation - No advances were made during the month of February.

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Total Advances for Foundations to date - \$ 1,005,990.49.

There are only two foundations which have not been fully completed, but the work is well advanced, and as soon as the weather is fit we hope to be able to report their completion.

It is possible that further borrowings may be required in this connection, but the amount should not exceed \$1,000.00.

Cash Sales: 180 of which 179 have completed their foundations, and only four of these borrowed from us and one borrowing has been repaid.

Accounts Current: 635 of which 177 are at 5% and 458 at 5½%.

Bank Overdraft Balance as at January 30, 1954 - \$ 863,201.08
Balance as at February 28, 1954 - 840,455.70

Instalment Payments in Arrears Two Months or More

	<u>January 1954</u>	<u>February 1954</u>
Number of Accounts	73	61
Amount of Arrears	\$ 6,849.41	\$ 5,912.04

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

FILED

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

Meeting adjourned. 12:55 A. M.

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

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

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 1, 1954.
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, Dunlop, Lane, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Also present were Messrs. A. A. DeBard, Jr., W. P. Publicover, R. H. Stoddard, C. P. Bethune, Q. C., A. J. Yeadon, L. M. Romkey and G. F. West.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following item: Re-Assessment.

8:02 P. M. Alderman Macdonald arrives.

His Worship the Mayor: "The Business Planning Associates have been in contact with me. I replied by wire advising them that this meeting was being held for the purpose of making a decision as to which agency should be employed. I have not heard any member of Council urging upon me that that was the agency to be employed. I said that if they sent a representative they would get an opportunity to be heard."

He then read the following letter which he received in response to his wire:

330 University Avenue,
Toronto, Canada.
March 30th, 1954.

His Worship Mayor R. A. Donahoe, Q. C.,
City Hall,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:

April 1, 1954.

We wish to thank you most sincerely for your two telegraphed communications, advising us of the date set for the selection of the reassessment agency and offering to provide us with an opportunity to be heard.

We have given this entire matter careful consideration. After a great deal of discussion here it was decided that a current local 'reading' would be desirable, and accordingly I telephoned Mr. J. G. DeWolf, whom I have never met but who was described to us as a man of particularly good reputation intimately conversant and concerned with the affairs of the City.

Based on the bits of information which we were able to glean from our conversation with Mr. DeWolf, your remarks about the lack of support for our proposal and together with the press report on this matter carried in the "Mail-Star- March 20th", it would not appear expedient to send one of our senior officials to meet with Council at this juncture.

Without at all presuming upon the prerogatives of Council, and relying on the reasonable accuracy of the press reports on these developments, we are forced to express the opinion that this most important decision may be taken without reference to any valid yardstick, as to actual gross ultimate cost, as to the proven professional experience and qualifications of the organization chosen, without true appreciation of the many vitally important nuances inherent in this particular situation.

May we briefly remind you of a few significant factors:

To the best of our knowledge none of the quoting agencies can point to the breadth of experience that we can.

There is a distinct difference between an appraisal for realty purposes, involving specific type properties, and the appraisal of a large municipality involving practically every type of property.

In our opinion the selection should not be based on the assumption of some given calibre of co-operating, full-time City personnel, since we understand this factor to be conjectural at the moment and, because of the very nature of the requirements, may always be.

It may be important to note that we know our costs, our quotations anticipate fixed price contracts, and there is no suggestion on our part that 'another 20% would be added, for good luck.'

If our experience in other municipalities is to be profited by, there is a distinct value in having the major responsibility for the results of the reassessment rest squarely on the shoulders of a party or parties having absolutely no connection with the local government.

This is our position, and we doubt that further conversational elaboration would measurably contribute more. Since, according to our understanding, none of the quoting agencies excepting ourselves can refer to a major Canadian equalization job such as the City of Calgary, we respectfully suggest that first hand general and technical inquiries be made of the properly qualified officials of that City as to the completeness and validity of our work, before a final decision is taken.

We cannot help but feel that the interests of your City

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would be best served by the retention of our organization to perform the equalization of assessment, and we will await with interest advice as to the final decision.

We are also prepared to comply with a specific request that one of our officials visit with you again, should that be deemed necessary.

Respectfully yours,

Charles C. Peck,
President.

8:05 P. M. Alderman Moriarty arrives.

His Worship the Mayor then read a letter from Public

Administration Service as follows:

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

From: Wendell G. Schaeffer,
Public Administration Service

Subject: Reassessment of Real Property in Halifax, N. S.

This memorandum is submitted to re-affirm and supplement such representations as have already been made to the Mayor and City Council by Public Administration Service in connection with the proposed reassessment of real property in the City of Halifax. Technical appraisal questions are not detailed herein inasmuch as they were discussed at length with the Finance and Executive Committee of the City Council on March 10.

A brief study of the status of assessment of real property taxation in Halifax has served to confirm the original estimate of costs were Public Administration Service to undertake a reassessment project for the City. Specifically, Public Administration Service will undertake the assessment project as outlined in our earlier communications for an amount not to exceed a firm maximum of \$30,000, provided the number of land parcels is essentially as represented in the last annual report of the Auditor. In addition, the city should plan on spending about \$ 100,000 for salaries, transportation, supplies, and equipment and other direct costs incurred by its own personnel assigned to the project. We cannot, of course, obligate ourselves specifically as to the \$100,000 figure as the city's direct expenditure will be influenced by a number of factors beyond our control. We do, however, believe this to be an accurate estimate within which it seems probable that the work can be accomplished. Our own staff would make every effort to move the work forward at such a pace as to keep necessary city expenditure in connection with the project well within the cost estimate.

We believe that the project cannot be completed in time for the 1955 assessment roll without unduly limiting the amount of time which should be given to the research, personnel training, property measurement, public hearings,

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and consideration of tax impact factors as a preliminary step to the establishment of new rate structure. It is therefore proposed that the reassessment project be carried over into next year with a view to using the new values for the 1956 tax roll. With such a schedule, it should be possible to complete most of the work by early 1955 without using an unduly large staff, leaving several months for completion of records, preparation of an assessment manual, administrative review of valuations, and consideration of the fiscal and economic ramifications of the new assessments.

It appears that the needs of the City of Halifax transcend a mere recomputation of values, important though that aspect may be. Public Administration Service, by reason of its trained, permanent staff and extensive experience in virtually all phases of municipal activity, is institutionally equipped to meet all demands that the Halifax reassessment project imposes.

The principal advantages that Public Administration Service has to offer might be summarized in the following terms:-

1. The Service's approach to the assessment undertaking, supported by extensive experience in real property appraisal, is admirably suited to the needs of the city in that emphasis is placed on building a strong city assessment office with adequate records and a trained staff fully capable of carrying on its assessment program without the need for costly reappraisals by outside appraisal firms.
2. The institution, by reason of its broad experience in all fields of municipal affairs, including all phases of revenue administration, is equipped to bring to bear on its projects the full weight of that experience as it relates to the broader impact of real property taxation upon government finances and the incidence of taxation in the community.
3. Public Administration Service assumes full institutional responsibility for the work it undertakes, thereby placing at the disposal of the jurisdiction served, not only its extensive reference facilities and staff experience, but also assuring continuous project direction, supervision, and review. Such supervision and review guarantees that work completed in the field is not the unreviewed work of one man, but that rather the completed project is in accordance with the high standards of the organization and upon which the reputation of the institution may firmly rest.
4. The competence of the organization has been established by a long record of successful undertakings, including the reassessment of all real property in Puerto Rico, a project involving over 100,000 parcels of urban land of all classes and levels of improvement. The international recognition of the organization in the finance and revenue field is attested to by a record of successful projects outside the United States which include:-
 1. Development of new revenue and expenditure accounting system for the Kingdom of Greece.
 2. Consulting assistance on selected revenue administration problems for the Province of Saskatchewan.

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3. Installation of certain improvements of revenue accounting for the Government of Iceland.
4. Development and installation of complete income tax system for Republic of Nicaragua.
5. Development and installation of complete tax revenue and budgetary accounting system for Republic of El Salvador.

Wendell G. Schaeffer,
Public Administration Service.

Alderman Lloyd: "In my own mind I have come to a decision. I think the full weight of the judgment of every member of this Council should be thrown into this decision."

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

Meeting adjourned.

8:15 P. M.

Council reconvened at 9:45 P. M. with the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the firm of J. M. Cleminshaw Company be invited to send a representative to City Council for discussion on the proposal of re-assessment. Motion passed.

Alderman O'Malley suggested that the Business Planning Associates send someone as well.

Alderman Dunlop: "I don't think we should deal with Business Planning Associates. Their price is \$150,000.00."

Alderman O'Malley: "I would advise them that they are out of line with the price and not likely to be considered."

This suggestion was agreed to by Council. His Worship the Mayor stated he would write both firms.

TAG DAY SILVER CROSS WOMEN

An application was received from the Silver Cross Women of Canada requesting permission to hold a Tag Day.

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Harfield that the request be granted for Friday, May 7, 1954. Motion passed.

ACCIDENT EX-MAYOR L. A. GASTONGUAY

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lane that best wishes for a speedy recovery be sent from this Council to Ex-Mayor Gastonguay who was injured in an automobile accident. Motion passed.

Alderman MacMillan: "I think we should hear from Mr. Mullin."

Alderman Lloyd: "I am satisfied that Mr. Mullin is just the man for the job."

Alderman Lane: "My impression is the same as Alderman Lloyd's."

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

Meeting adjourned.

9:50 P. M.

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

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W. P. PUBLICOVER,
CITY CLERK.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY,
APRIL 15, 1954

A G E N D A

- Prayer.
Minutes.
Public Hearing re Rezoning #315 Dutch Village Road.
" " Amending Section 1 of Part 6 of the Zoning By-Law.
Motion by Alderman Ahern re Memorial Drive.
" " Hatfield re Prison Farm.
Accounts over \$500.00.
Tag Day Honourable Edward Cornwallis Chapter I.O.D.E.
Capital Expenditure Authorization Cancellations.
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Illness Commissioner Bellevue.
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Prefab Rent Write-Offs.
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Welfare Officer's Salary.
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Canadian International Trade Fair.
Capital Shoe Repair Use of City Crest.
S. P. C. Agreement.
City Home Equipment.
Sale of Land Co-Operative Housing Group.
Parking Lots Revenue.
Tax Write-Offs \$708.77.
Hospital Account Fred Young.
Refund to Eastern Equipment Limited.
Insurance Releases Police Car \$25.00, Parking Meter \$57.75, Parking Meter \$10.50, Tree \$5.00.
Leases Quinpool Road and Fleming Park.
Request Post Office re Location of Letter Boxes.
Traffic Control Lights Windsor & North Sts.
Master Fire Alarm Boxes Inglis Street - Spring Garden Road.
Arm Patrol.
Training Courses Police Personnel.
Authorization to City Solicitor to Defend Court Action against Police Officer.
Purchase of Dictating Equipment T. B. Hospital.
Rezoning Lot Columbus Street Date for Public Hearing.
" Portion of Cook Avenue " " " "
Official Street Lines Carleton Street Date for Public Hearing.
Application for Building Permit Seaforth Street.
Resubdivision of Lot Liverpool Street.
" " Connaught Avenue.
" " Lots 16 & 24 Hemlock Street.
" " 11 & 12 Newton Avenue.
Request for Rezoning Halifax Relief Commission Veith, Hanover Sts., and Devon Ave. Avenue.

Modification of Yard Area 850 Robie Street.
" Lot Areas 8 & 11 Philip Street.

Memorial Drive Rough Grading.
Tenders for Canteen Concessions, Public Gardens, North Commons & Horse-
shoe Island.

Overhanging Signs.

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Purchase of Land Vaughan Avenue Widening.

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Grant of Easements to Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission.

Changing of Name Coleman Court to Coleman Street.

Request H. H. Marshall Limited to Rent 3 Spaces in Buckingham St. Parking
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DEFERRED ITEM

Rezoning Charles, Maynard, Creighton & West Streets Area.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Manager's Administrative Report.
Statistical Report Prefab Houses.
Poll Tax Collections.
Annual Report Assessment Department.

EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 15, 1954,
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, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and Hatfield.

Also present were Messrs. A. A. DeBard, Jr., W. P. Publicover, R. H. Stoddard, C. P. Bethune, Q.C., A. J. Yeadon, L. M. Romkey, G. F. West, W. A. G. Snook, V. W. Mitchell and Dr. A. R. Morton.

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

The following named papers were submitted.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he wished to vacate the Chair for a few moments, due to the absence of the Deputy Mayor, it was moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that Alderman DeWolf act as Chairman. Motion passed.

8:10 P. M. Alderman DeWolf assumes the Chair while His Worship the Mayor addressed the Council from the floor as follows: "The passing of the Premier has aroused a great deal of sympathy in the minds of the people. I don't think there is anyone in the Province regardless of his or her political beliefs who is not prepared to say for years Premier Macdonald has been an ornament to this Province. The affects of his passing are going to be very long and seriously felt in this Province. Because of this and high respect he has held it is only fitting that the Council of the capital City of Nova Scotia, in which he made his home for many years, should express its sympathy on this occasion." He

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then read and moved the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS the people of Nova Scotia have been profoundly shocked by the news of the sudden death of Premier Angus L. Macdonald

AND WHEREAS the people of the City of Halifax mourn the loss of their distinguished fellow citizen

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the City of Halifax in regular meeting assembled on this 15th day of April A.D. 1954 express to Mrs. Macdonald and her family deepest sympathy in their bereavement, and assure them that their grief is shared by every citizen of this capital city of Nova Scotia.

Alderman Moriarty: "As a member of this Council it gives me great pleasure to second the motion. I wish to express on behalf of the Council and the citizens of Halifax sympathy to the family in his passing. It has been a heavy loss to our community, the City and the Province of Nova Scotia. It is known that I have been a personal friend of Mr. Macdonald for a number of years and his loss is a personal loss to myself."

The motion was put and passed and Council observed one minute's silence to honor the memory of the late Premier.

His Worship the Mayor then assumed the Chair and Alderman DeWolf returned to his seat in Council.

PRESENTATION TO MISS SYLVIA LAWRENCE & MR. NORMAN CASWELL

At this time His Worship the Mayor reviewed the events concerning the fire at #286 Tower Road and stated that the above named had participated in the awakening of the residents who escaped from the building without serious injury.

He then presented Miss Lawrence and Mr. Caswell with silver trays in recognition of their heroic action.

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING Re: REZONING REAR 315 DUTCH VILLAGE ROAD

A Public Hearing into the matter of rezoning the rear portion of the above property from Second Density Residential to Commercial was held at this time.

No persons appeared for or against the application.

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The following By-Law was then submitted.

IN THE MATTER of The Town Planning Act
- and -

IN THE MATTER of Rezoning a portion of
land in the rear of 315
Dutch Village Road from
R2 Zone (Second Density
Residential) to C2 Zone
(General Business Zone)

WHEREAS an application was made to the City Council
of the City of Halifax to amend the Zoning By-Law and Zoning Plan
approved by the City Council on the 11th day of May, A. D. 1950,
by rezoning a portion of land in the rear of 315 Dutch Village
Road from R2 Zone (Second Density Residential) to C2 Zone (General
Business Zone)

AND WHEREAS the said City Council of the City of Halifax
did refer the aforementioned application to the Town Planning
Board of the City of Halifax for consideration and report.

AND WHEREAS the Town Planning Board of the City of Halifax
did recommend to the City Council that the aforementioned portion
of land hereinafter more fully described be rezoned from R2 Zone
(Second Density Residential) to C2 Zone (General Business Zone.)

AND WHEREAS the said City Council on Thursday the 15th
day of April, A. D. 1954, after receiving a report from the Town
Planning Board and after having given due notice, did hold a hear-
ing to consider the said rezoning and did approve of the same.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council
of the City of Halifax, under the authority of the Nova Scotia
Town Planning Act that a portion of land in the rear of 315 Dutch
Village Road, bounded as follows: "BEGINNING at the point where
the northern boundary line of the St. Lawrence Church property,
Dutch Village Road, meets the western boundary of the H. & S. W.
Railway;

THENCE westwardly along the said northern boundary line of
the St. Lawrence Church property a distance of two hundred and

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forty-four feet (244') to a point of the said northern boundary line of the St. Lawrence Church property;

THENCE northwardly along a line parallel to the said western boundary line of the H. & S. W. Railway a distance of three hundred and eighty-seven feet (387'), more or less, or to the southern boundary of the commercial zone on Percy Street;

THENCE eastwardly along the said southern boundary line of the commercial zone on Percy Street a distance of two hundred and forty-four feet (244'), more or less, or to the western boundary line of the H. & S. W. Railway;

THENCE southwardly along the said western boundary line of the H. & S. W. Railway a distance of three hundred and eighty-two feet (382') more or less, or to the point of beginning. Be Rezoned from R2 (Second Density Residential) to C2 Zone (General Business Zone), and the Zoning By-Law and Zoning Plan approved by the City Council on the 11th day of May, A.D. 1950, be and the same are hereby amended accordingly.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Dunlop that the By-Law as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENT SECTION 1 OF PART 6 ZONING BY-LAW

A Public Hearing into the matter of amending Section 1 of Part 6 of the Zoning By-Law was held at this time.

No persons appeared for or against the amendment.

IN THE MATTER OF THE TOWN PLANNING ACT

- and -

IN THE MATTER OF AN AMENDMENT TO SECTION 1 OF PART VI OF THE ZONING BY-LAW OF THE CITY OF HALIFAX.

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Halifax, under the authority of The Nova Scotia Town Planning Act, as follows:

1. Part VI of the Zoning By-Law of the City of Halifax, approved by the City Council of the City of Halifax on the 11th day of May, 1950, and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on

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the 15th day of August, 1950, is amended by inserting therein in Section 1 thereof, between clauses (h) and (i), the following clause:

(hh) offices of medical doctors, lawyers, dentists, Registered Professional Engineers, Registered Architects and accountants.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the amendment as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

RENTAL AUTHORITY APPROPRIATION

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

A report from the City Manager respecting Rental Authority Budget was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was decided to recommend that Rental Control be continued to December 31, 1954 and an appropriation of \$6,400.00 provided under the authority of Section 316 C of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had had a request from the Trades and Labor Council to extend rent control for 2 years but that it was not possible to do so under the terms of the legislation passed by the Province and that all the Council could do was to carry it on for one more year.

Alderman Dunlop: "I think that serious study should be given to rent control. It is of no use in the City of Halifax. Controls without methods of enforcement are of very little use. I don't believe there has been one case of enforcement since the City has taken them over. The report of the Rental Control Officer will show that there are not a great many matters before him. The number last year were very few. The time for continuing this has long

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since expired. It will have to be dropped some day. I don't believe it helps the people who need help, that is the lower rental group. In the higher rent group we don't need rent control. A good deal of high rents is caused by the tax rate. The landlord is paying taxes at the rate of \$9.95 per \$100.00. These regulations are not fair to the landlord. If you have a tenant in your property that is tearing your property to pieces there is no way you can get him out."

His Worship the Mayor: "That is governed by the Provincial Legislation. If we did not pass any By-Law the term would be under the Overholding Tenants' Act."

Alderman Dunlop: "As far as it going to December 31, I will not object to that but after that we should seriously consider winding it up."

Alderman Hatfield: "I agree with Alderman Dunlop. I don't think rent control in Halifax is doing one bit of good. In the last 2 or 3 years about 1700 housing units have been provided in the City. We are coming to the point where rent control should no longer be necessary because of the increased production of new units. The Federal Government gave a year's notice when it took off rent control. The people should be notified that the Council will shortly give up rent control. People with a little initiative with \$800.00 can get an \$8,000.00 home under the National Housing Act."

Alderman DeWolf: "Would it be possible for the Rental Authority to notify the Building Inspector when they come across cases of people living in houses that should not be habitated? That could be done and any tenants living in quarters not fit to live in and paying exorbitant rents should be looked after. I think Rent Control has a limited value and due to that I think it should be kept on. People are afraid to complain about the rents because of the fear of being put out. Rent control stops the rents from going

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higher. It has some value but not a full value."

Alderman Lloyd stated that two points had been brought out in the discussion viz: that the regulations are inadequate and that some felt there was no necessity for rent control. He suggested that the matter be gone into before this coming December.

The motion was then put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that at the next regular meeting of Council His Worship the Mayor name a committee of 3 members to inquire fully into the operation of the Rental Control Administration in the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN AHERN Re: MEMORIAL DRIVE

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Allen that this matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of the City Council. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the Town Planning Engineer prepare a complete sketch of the lands involved in the Memorial Drive in order to assist the Council in its discussions. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C., and
Members of City Council,
From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: April 14, 1954
Subject: Accounts over \$ 500.00

In accordance with Section 119F of the City Charter, the following accounts are submitted for Council's approval. These accounts have been certified and audited.

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Finance	W. R. MacInnes & Co.	Boiler Insp. & Ins. Co.	\$3,136.18
Finance (Stores)	R. R. Power Limited	Grader Blades	610.50
Police	Mi-Co Meter Sales & Service Limited	Parking Meters, Spare parts, Counters & Pinions, Plastic Coin Cups	3,964.40

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Finance	Province of Nova Scotia	Amortization paym't. City of Halifax Share of Capital Costs re Hlfx. County Voc- ational High School	16,876.05
City Home	Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow	Steel Storage Tanks with manholes	1,069.20
Finance	Workmen's Compensation Province of Nova Scotia	Provisional Assmt. for '54 Sewer Cap. & Workmen's Compens- ation. Due June/54	5,334.24
"	"	As above but due September 1, 1954	5,125.00
Library	W. H. Smith & Son (Canada) Limited	Books	1,629.26
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			\$ 37,744.83

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

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

TAG DAY HONOURABLE EDWARD CORNWALLIS CHAPTER I.O.D.E.

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on
the above date, agreed to recommend that an application from the
Honourable Edward Cornwallis Chapter I.O.D.E. for permission to
hold a Tag Day on July 10, 1954 be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

WIDOWS AND DEPENDENTS PENSIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on
the above date considered reports from the City Manager respecting

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Widow's and Dependant's Pensions and decided to defer same for one month pending a report from the City Solicitor on the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

City Solicitor: "The Committee of the House agreed to allow the amount to be varied up to the amount the Council had suggested."

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

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE AUTHORIZATION CANCELLATIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the City Manager respecting Capital Expenditure Authorizations Cancellations was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested under the authority of Section 8A of the Municipal Affairs Act, as enacted by Section 6 of Chapter 54 of the Acts of 1951 of the Province of Nova Scotia, to revoke the approval of the borrowing resolutions previously approved by him in the manner and to the extent of \$44,500.00 as set out in the said report of the City Manager and that the funded balances amounting to \$5,317.75 be reclaimed by the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

BOND ISSUE 1954

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

The attached report from the City Manager respecting Bond Issue 1954 was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee

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at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that approval be granted for a bond issue of \$2,000,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Date: March 15, 1954

Subject: Bond Issue - 1954

Since our last bond issue in 1953 costs of projects underway have accumulated until at February 28, 1954 we had expenditures of \$1,094,301.10 on authorized capital borrowings. I would suggest a bond issue of not less than \$1,200,000.00 and preferably as will be explained later, one for \$2,000,000.00. The following authorizations would be covered:

	Amount of portion of authorization	Amount Expended to Feb. 28, 1954
Sidewalks	\$ 256,000.00	\$ 249,674.56
Street Widening	48,000.00	33,011.23
Sidewalk Renewals	50,000.00	36,461.32
Widening Hollis St.	30,500.00	28,613.18
Improving Chebucto Road	10,000.00	7,066.24
Sewers	125,000.00	125,000.00
Sewer Rehabilitation	175,000.00	169,449.82
Rehabilitation School Buildings	54,000.00	22,159.34
Addition Alexandra School	70,350.00	54,117.16
Sprinkler Systems Schools	30,000.00	13,468.28
Fire Alarm Systems Schools	26,000.00	15,930.88
Panic Hardware, Schools	22,000.00	18,297.26
Boiler Room Improvements, Schools	16,500.00	13,958.55
Paving School Yards	37,500.00	36,249.42
St. Agnes School	1,000.00	582.14
Retaining Wall- Duke St.	6,500.00	6,164.50
Rehabilitation Bedford Row Fire Station	35,000.00	30,692.69
Motor Equipment	45,450.00	42,419.88
Public Gardens Equipment	13,700.00	13,696.73
Retaining Walls, Public Baths	5,000.00	4,717.99
Improvement Flynn Park	3,500.00	2,540.95
Point Pleasant Park Bath Houses	6,000.00	5,366.52
" " " Garage & Work Shop	13,000.00	5,553.84
City Home Kitchen Equipment	47,000.00	43,633.46
" " Rehabilitation	30,000.00	27,893.60
Hospitals, Sprinkler System	28,000.00	27,095.51
City Prison, Heating Plant	15,000.00	12,783.58
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	\$ 1,200,000.00	\$ 1,046,598.63

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By the time this issue has been marketed expenditures on the above listed authorizations will probably have passed the \$1,100,000.00 mark leaving a relatively small amount unexpended at that time.

The balance of the higher figure of the \$2,000,000.00 suggested is for the school authorizations, work for which will be well under way by the end of 1954. Although this \$800,000.00 is not spent as on the authorizations above, once the schools are started the money must be spent and I believe it would be well to have the money in hand. Although the interest rate is higher than our overdraft rate it is good insurance to have the funds in hand rather than risk financing at an unfavorable time.

In a real credit stringency we might be called on to fund our Prefabricated and Emergency Housing debts which added to our school program would amount to about \$2,000,000.00.

I would appreciate Council's opinions and the necessary resolutions for a bond issue.

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

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and Hatfield.

CONVENTIONS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager respecting the attendance of City Officials at conventions and decided to recommend against the granting of such permission this year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Date: April 6, 1954

Subject: Conventions

After conference with department heads to determine priority, the following suggestions for attendance at conventions are made:-

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Amount</u>
1. Mr. Publicover	Sept. 2, 3, 4.	Ottawa	\$200.00
2. Mr. Romkey	May 23-27	San Francisco	500.00
3. Mr. West	Sept. 19-22	Atlantic City	200.00
4. Mr. Hushard	Oct. 4-6	Toronto	200.00
5. Dr. Morton	Sept. 7-10	Sydney	40.00
6. Chief MacGillivray	July 20-23	Sydney	40.00
7. " "	May 10-14	Montreal	150.00
8. Mr. DeBard	Dec. 6-9	St. Petersburg	300.00
9. Chief Mitchell	Sept. 14-17	Toronto	200.00
10. " "	-	Summerside	30.00
11. Health Department	May 31 - June 2	Quebec	} 200.00
or " "	Oct. 11 - 15	Buffalo	

			\$ 2,060.00

I believe Aldermen are conscious these "conventions" are hard working sessions full of practical ideas. We were unable to include conventions for Mr. Bethune, Mr. Snook, and Mr. Day which I considered very worthwhile.

If Council is agreeable, those concerned would appreciate approval of the above schedule so that plans can be made accordingly.

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

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

Alderman Dunlop: "I suggest that the same Head of the Department be not sent year after year to conventions. I would suggest the Deputies in every other year and perhaps the Assistant Deputy be rotated to gain the benefit."

Alderman Lane felt that in the case of the Police and Fire Chiefs where they are in active positions at the conventions concerned, they should go.

Alderman Hatfield suggested that Mr. West be permitted to attend a convention.

Alderman Lane asked if the Finance and Executive Committee

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could re-consider this matter and make another recommendation.

Alderman Ahern stated he would support Alderman Lane that the matter go back to the Finance and Executive Committee and also that the City Solicitor, Commissioner of Health and the Deputy Commissioner of Works be permitted to attend conventions.

Alderman Vaughan felt that City Officials should visit other cities where they have similar problems. He also felt that the City should confine itself to Canadian Conventions.

Alderman O'Malley: "Last year it was the general feeling that we would follow a policy of alternating conventions."

Alderman Lloyd: "We could pass those two and send the rest back for review."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Ahern that authority be given for the Fire and Police Chiefs to attend the conventions as proposed and that the balance of the officials listed be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee.

The amendment was put and passed with Aldermen Kitz and Vaughan wishing to be recorded against.

REFUND TO EASTERN EQUIPMENT LIMITED

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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 sale of land at the intersection of Dutch Village Road Diversion and the Halifax and South Western Railway to Eastern Equipment Limited for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars during the month of July 1949 was considered.

As no buildings have been erected on this land it was agreed to recommend that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars paid by Eastern Equipment Limited for this land be refunded.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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His Worship the Mayor: "I brought this up myself at the Finance and Executive Committee. This land was sold in 1949 and the payment was made by the Company of \$500.00. Some months later the Company asked for a refund. We held the Company's money and no agreement was executed. It was submitted to the Company and they would not sign it until they were sure."

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee, so that the Eastern Equipment Limited may be heard. Motion passed.

Alderman Lloyd: "In view of the delay the Company should compensate the City for taxes for the years gone by."

CAPITAL BORROWING ST. PATRICK'S HIGH SCHOOL \$15,000.00

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

A letter from the Board of School Commissioners requesting authority to borrow a sum not exceeding \$15,000.00 for the purpose of providing furniture for St. Patrick's High School was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date and it was agreed to recommend that the request be granted.

Submitted herewith is a formal resolution for Council's approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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 and Hatfield.

A Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$15,000.00 was submitted.

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

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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 and Hatfield.

VACATION CITY MANAGER

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

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

Date: March 25, 1954

Subject: City Manager's Vacation

Permission is requested of Council for the City Manager to be absent from the City from May 14 thru May 25, inclusive.

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

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

CITY HOME ADDITION

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

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

Date: March 31, 1954

Subject: City Home Addition

This memorandum is a final report and request for approval of the final certificate for payment to the Foundation Maritime Limited for construction of the City Home addition.

The original contract price including a \$3,000.00 contingency fund was - \$ 166,860.00

Additions.

Change Order No. 2	Relocation Steel Stairway	\$252.00
" " " 4	Colour change in tile	67.00
" " " 7	Drain steam table	121.00
" " " 8	Substitution tile for linoleum	523.00
" " " 9	Corner guards & wood moulding	290.00
" " " 11	Uncrating equip. & plumbing changes	96.79
		<u>1,349.79</u>
		\$ 168,209.79

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Deletions.

Change Order No. 1	Substitution tiles for painting	\$63.00	
" " "	3 Metal stair railings	200.00	
" " "	5 Cement enamel	130.00	
" " "	6 Passenger elevator	19,850.00	
" " "	10 Substitution linoleum for tile	453.00	
" " "	12 Hardware credit	208.72	
" " "	13 Contingency fund	3,000.00	<u>23,904.72</u>

Amount due Foundation Maritime Limited:- \$ 144,305.07

The deletion of the elevator is for bookkeeping purposes since we are paying for the elevator separately to avoid payment of sales tax of 10% (\$1,050.00 saved). The actual cost is \$3,754.93 less than the original contract price.

Total cost of addition.

Foundation Maritime Limited		\$ 144,305.07
Elevator contract	\$19,850.00	
Less sales tax refund	<u>1,050.00</u>	18,800.00
Architect: J. P. Dumaresq		<u>10,009.30</u>
		\$ 173,114.37

Since \$ 185,000.00 was the amount of the authorization to provide a cushion for unforeseen difficulties and said difficulties were handled without additional cost, the architect, Dr. Morton, Mr. Ettinger and his staff are to be commended on a task well done.

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

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

GRADING STANFORD STREET

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

From: Clerk of Works

Date: April 12th, 1954,

Subject: Stanford Street.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on April 8th., the attached report from the City Manager relative to rough grading Stanford Street was considered.

The Committee agreed to recommend to City Council, that the City rough grade Stanford Street to serve the properties of the petitioners and they to contribute the sum of

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\$1906.00 and undertake to be responsible for all normal grading and betterment charges.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
City Clerk,

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

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

Date: April 7, 1954

Subject: Stanford Street

Not having heard recently from the residents on this matter, I reactivated it by writing on February 26, 1954 asking the owners if they would pay the following amounts in addition to the regular grading assessment. The amounts suggested are 9% of the assessed values of the properties. The owners have shifted the amounts between themselves making for a total of \$3,000.00 without liability for the grading assessment.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount Suggested</u>	<u>Amount Offered</u>	<u>Frontage</u>
Frederick W. Sherman	351.00	300.00	61'
James C. Cullen	441.00	200.00	60'
Mary E. Bartlow	603.00	600.00	65'
Dean W. Salsman	405.00	300.00	55'
Bessie Simon	751.50	800.00	120'
Ronald Simon	652.50	800.00	186'
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	3,204.00	3,000.00	547'

Their offer is a flat payment of \$ 3,000.00 against a total through special payment and assessment of \$4,298.00 (3,204.00 + 1,094.00).

This matter is presented to Council for consideration. Acceptance is not recommended since the excess cost to the City is considerable. Acceptance may open the door to others where heavy grading costs could be incurred.

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

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

Alderman Dunlop: "The original amount was \$17,000.00. The City is going to pay \$11,000.00 to rough grade that street."

His Worship the Mayor: "These abutters do not occupy the

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whole street. They are making a substantial contribution to the grading of the street in relation to their properties."

Alderman Dunlop: "What are we going to be out?"

His Worship the Mayor: "In addition to the contribution of \$3,000.00 there are other abutters who will be contributing."

City Manager: "We will have a net about \$9,000.00."

Alderman Lloyd: "The net cost to the City is substantially the same except for \$1,298.00."

City Manager: "That is right."

Alderman Lloyd: "We are doing out there pretty well what we did for Rockcliffe."

Alderman Ahern: "I don't think we are doing enough for them. I would suggest we reduce it 50%."

Alderman Lloyd: "We are reducing it 50%. We have gone more than 50% in relieving the original sub-dividers."

Alderman O'Malley: "Stanford Street is in a horrible and deplorable condition and we felt the abutters had gone as far as they could."

The motion was put and passed.

RESUBDIVISION STANFORD STREET - ABBOTT HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 13th, 1954.

Subject: Resubdivision Stanford Street - Abbott Heights Subdivision

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on April 8th, considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending approval of a Plan of resubdivision, showing a portion of Stanford Street closed off and made into a building lot.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that this resubdivision be approved, as shown on Plan No. 00-7-12698, and that no Public Hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

TENDERS FOR FIRE HOSE

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C., and Members of City Council,
From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: April 8, 1954
Subject: Tenders on Fire Hose

Tenders were opened at the Safety Committee meeting on April 7, 1954 and were referred to the City Manager for tabulation and recommendation.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Item #1</u>	<u>Item #2</u>
La France (Toronto)	* 1.60	1.05
Foulis Engineering	1.66	1.10
Austen Bros. Ltd.	1.705	*1.045
Safety Supply Co.	1.75	1.16
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	1.76	1.15
Dominion Rubber Co.	1.76	1.166
Dunlop Tire & Rubber	1.98	1.17
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow	1.98	1.16
Canadian Fairbanks-Morse	1.98	1.17
Gutta Percha & Rubber Ltd.	1.98	1.155
Bickle-Seagrave (Woodstock)	1.99	1.17

Item #1 No. 1 Grade Corporation Fire Hose 2½" Double Jacketed, Rubber Lined, Rocker Lug Couplings, Halifax Thread with Couplings attached.

Item #2 No. 1 Grade Corporation Fire Hose 1½" Double Jacketed, Rubber Lined, Rocker Lug Couplings, Halifax Thread with Couplings attached.

The low bid of La France Fire Engine & Foamite Ltd. of Toronto is recommended for the 2½" hose of which it is contemplated approximately 1,200 feet will be bought.

The low bid of Austen Bros. Ltd. of Halifax is recommended for the 1½" hose of which it is contemplated approximately 950 feet will be bought.

The Fire Chief concurs in these recommendations. Hose is tested by our own Fire Department for a bursting point of 600 pounds to the square inch.

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

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

LOT EXCHANGE ASHBURN AVENUE & HEMLOCK STREET

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

April 15, 1954.

Date: April 13th., 1954.

Subject: Lot Exchange - Ashburn Ave and Hemlock St.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on April 8th., the attached report from the City Manager, relative to the exchange of Lot 68 plus 10 ft. of Lot 69 for a 60 Ft. Lot numbered 64A, for the extension of Ashburn Avenue and closing of Hemlock Street was considered.

The Board recommended same to City Council for approval, as shown on Plan No. RR-1-12493.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

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

Date: April 8, 1954

Subject: Lot Exchange - Ashburn Avenue & Hemlock Street

When sewer was being constructed in this area construction of the proposed school indicated that the sewer should be placed on a lot 68 at the end of Ashburn Avenue. The land was never acquired and its ownership has changed from C. F. Abbott to Samuel Butler.

It is no longer necessary for Hemlock Street to run through and the suggestion is made that Ashburn Avenue be extended to Elliott Street and Hemlock Street terminate at Abbott Drive.

Mr. Abbott would then have title to Lot 64A, formerly Hemlock Street and we would have to acquire Lot 68 and 10 feet of Lot 69 for the extension of Ashburn Avenue.

Mr. Butler has indicated in writing, he would exchange Lot 68 and 10 feet of Lot 69 for Lot 64A. Mr. Abbott has very generously agreed to give the City title to Lot 64A although he will receive nothing in exchange. I would recommend the City accept his offer and exchange with Mr. Butler so that we will own the sewer right-of-way and be able to open the proposed street.

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

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

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FOREMEN CITY FIELD RATE OF PAY

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C., and
Members of City Council,
From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: April 9, 1954
Subject: Foremen - City Field

You will recall at the Council meeting of January 21, 1954 Council approved the City Manager's request for the discontinuance of foremen having membership on any basis in the City Field Union. The Deputy Commissioner of Works and the Manager have completed their study of the reorganization of the City Field and recommend that nine men be designated as Foremen, to be paid on a salary basis and to be on call 24 hours a day. These men are representatives of management with the power to hire and fire and as such shall not be eligible for membership in the Union.

Five men who were formerly classed as foremen will now be known as sub-foremen - Grade I, and with ten others who are presently sub-foremen, will constitute that group. They will be paid on an hourly basis and be perfectly free to join the Union if they so desire. At present rates one is paid on a yearly basis, some on a daily basis and some on an hourly basis. All foremen will be on a salary basis, sub-foremen on an hourly basis.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Work</u>	<u>Foremen</u>		<u>New Rate</u>	<u>Earnings 1954</u>
		<u>Present Rate</u>	<u>Earnings 1953</u>		
Frank Higgins	Genl. Foremen	11.54 dy.	3,608.75	Salary	3,600.00
Wm. Ferguson	Sewer Main- tenance	1.23 hr.	4,858.02	"	3,500.00
Bert Earle	City Property	11.34 dy.	3,546.18	"	3,500.00
Art Castle	Grading Stone & Oil	11.34 dy.	3,579.66	"	3,500.00
Richard Oickle	Concrete & Masonry	11.34 dy.	3,347.14	"	3,500.00
Dennis Flinn	Garbage Col- lection	11.34 dy.	3,534.84	"	3,500.00
C. A. Copp, Jr.	General Con- struction	11.34 dy.	3,557.24	"	3,500.00
W. Dowd	Administration	3,480 yr.	3,150.00	"	3,500.00
W. McAndrew, Sr.	Garage Foreman Incinerator Dump	3,600 yr.	3,600.00	"	3,600.00
			<u>32,781.83</u>		<u>31,700.00</u>

Sub-Foremen - Grade I

Formerly Foremen

Bernard Hunt	Concrete Repairs	11.34 dy.	3,516.94	1.23 hr.
John Orman	Cold Patch	1.23 hr.	3,195.00	1.23 hr.

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Fred Hunt	Paving in Summer	11.34 dy.	3,546.18	1.23 hr.
Art Lucas	Streets - Service	1.23 hr.	3,407.92	1.23 hr.
Roy MacAndrew	Incinerator	1.23 hr.	3,520.00	1.23 hr.

Sub-Foremen - Grade 2

Joseph Hartnet, James Morrison, John Travers, Cliff Hutt, Arthur Murphy, Murray Marshall, James McKinley, Henry Webb, Joe Lapiere and Jack Brooks have acted as Sub-Foremen on various jobs and are paid at \$1.17 per hour.

Sub-foremen have been paid 9 hours per day since they were presumably making up the men's time. This function is being eliminated for most of the year and these men will be paid for eight hours' work. The last two named above (Lapiere and Brooks) will not be needed as sub-foremen by a redistribution of duties at the incinerator and dump.

The total cost of the suggested changes will not be any greater and will probably be less than previously.

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

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman

Hatfield that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RESIGNATION MR. C. E. DAY, BUILDING INSPECTOR

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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 Mr. C. E. Day, Building Inspector has tendered his resignation effective May 20, 1954.

Your Committee recommends that the resignation be accepted with regret and Mr. Day paid a sum equal to three weeks holidays.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Kitz

that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Vaughan asked if the City Manager would consider the amalgamation of the positions of Town Planning Engineer and Building Inspector and if necessary, hire some clerical assistance.

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ILLNESS COMMISSIONER BELLEW

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C., and
Members of City Council,
From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: April 10, 1954.
Subject: Illness - Commissioner of Finance

Mr. Milton Bellew, Commissioner of Finance was taken ill
November 30, 1953 and has been away almost continuously
since that time. The malady is heart trouble.

I had asked him for a doctor's report for this meeting
but find he entered Halifax Infirmary, April 8. His
condition seems not serious and he has told me he seems
to be regaining strength.

Permission is requested to continue paying his salary
until June 30, 1954.

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

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

TENDERS AUTOMOTIVE EQUIPMENT

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C., and
Members of City Council,
From: City Manager, A. A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: April 10, 1954
Subject: Tenders - Automotive Equipment.

Tenders were opened at the Safety Committee meeting on April 7,
1954 and were referred to the City Manager for tabulation and
recommendation.

1. Panel Truck - Fire Alarm Division.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Trade-In</u>	<u>Net Cost</u>
Atlantic-Chevrolet	Chevrolet	2,325.75	1,028.75	1,295.00
Halifax Motors	Dodge	2,331.00	950.00	1,381.00
Purdy Motors	Fargo	2,344.00	944.00	1,400.00
Wood Motors	Ford	2,315.00	900.00	1,415.00
Trainer Auto Service	International	2,435.00	970.00	1,465.00
Citadel Motors	G. M. C.	2,277.05	692.05	1,585.00

*Recommended bid concurred in by City Electrician.

2. Motorcycles - Police Department.

Eastern Cycle	#Norton	3,195.00 - 1,395.00	1,800.00 less
			1,710.00

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*Geo. Colguhoun Harley-Davidson 4,995.00 1,425.00 3,570.00

*Recommended bid concurred in by Chief of Police.

#Does not conform to specifications as to c.c. piston displacement and has 4 gears instead of 3 as required in specifications. We have been informed by other Police Depts. that they are too light for police use and parts are difficult to obtain. Continued at bottom of page.

3. <u>Police Automobiles.</u>		<u>List for</u>	<u>Trade-In</u>	<u>Net Cost</u>
<u>Name</u>	<u>Make</u>	<u>5 Autos</u>	<u>5 Cars</u>	
Teasdale & Foot	Chevrolet	12,594.00	7,560.00	5,034.00
Atlantic	Chevrolet	12,949.00	7,444.00	5,505.00
Wood Motors	Ford	13,700.00	6,915.00	6,795.00
Purdy Motors	Plymouth	13,485.00	6,337.00	7,148.50
Citadel Motors	Pontiac	13,139.00	5,425.00	7,714.00
Isnor's Motor Service	Meteor	13,778.25	5,875.85	7,902.40

*Recommended bid concurred in by Chief of Police.

#The Norton has a cork clutch which gives considerable trouble when operated at low speeds for long periods of time, such as parades, etc.

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

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

BAYERS ROAD SCHOOL - SEWER EASEMENT

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

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

Date: April 12, 1954

Subject: Bayers Road School - Sewer Easement

The Board of School Commissioners has requested a sewer easement for the new Bayers Road School. This easement will pass between #68-74 and #76-82 Romans Avenue in the Bayers Road Housing development.

The Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation are agreeable providing the stoned driveway is restored after the sewer is installed.

It is recommended that City Council agree, as a member of the partnership, to this easement.

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

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

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PREFAB RENT WRITE-OFFS

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

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

Date: April 12, 1954

Subject: Prefab Rent Write-Off

Prior to the time the Prefabricated houses were sold they were rented. There are some old accounts which are uncollectible. They are as follows:-

<u>St. No.</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Reason</u>
119 Summitt	R. J. Cochrane	\$ 34.50	Refused to pay.
1584 Barrington	C. Shunamon	12.00	Left City -- Can-- not locate.
77 Bayers	Hugh M. Scott	96.84	Left City unable to serve Writ of Execution.
111 "	Chas. LeClair	9.17	Left City -- Cannot locate.
8 Chester	Elsie Edwards	138.52	Evicted. Married woman who signed lease.
22 "	E. P. Croke	24.24	Cannot locate
8 Cloverdale	C. E. MacDonald	81.55	" "
153 Connolly	A. Moland	26.55	Refused to pay. Provoked with City because City refused Down Paym ^t offered after give a certain date to pay.
26 Glendale	S. Marriott	18.08	Owes many bills, useless to sue.
15 Huron	G. G. MacDonald	54.24	Evicted. Unable to pay rent. Allocated to Ralph Bremner.
1059 Gottingen	W. C. LeBlanc	7.50	Can't locate. Allo- cated to J. W. McNutt.
		<u>\$ 503.19</u>	

REFUNDABLE RENTS RECOMMENDED TO BE TRANSFERRED TO
PROFIT & LOSS ACCOUNT

521 Connaught	C. Moland	11.66	House occupied for full month.
65 Bayers	Edward Worthen	<u>9.93</u>	Can't locate. Fired from Shipyards ove 3 yrs. ago. Could be adjusted should he apply for same.
		<u>\$ 21.59</u>	

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

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

DISTRIBUTION FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Halifax, N. S., April 12, 1954.

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

A report from the City Manager respecting distribution of the Finance and Executive Committee minutes was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

The matter was deferred for one month and the City Manager requested to submit a further report at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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PENSION MR. MARK MANUEL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager respecting the retirement of Mark Manuel and Clarence Westlake.

It was decided to recommend:

1. That Mr. Manuel be retired effective as from May 1, 1954 at an annual allowance of \$720.00 and the necessary legislation obtained at the next session of the Legislature, in the meantime Mr. Manuel to be paid from the estimates of the Works Department.

2. That the case of Mr. Westlake be referred to the Retirement Committee for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

LEAVE OF ABSENCE MR. REGINALD HANN

Halifax, N. S., April 12, 1954.

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

A report from the City Manager respecting leave of absence

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for Mr. Reginald Hann was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was decided to recommend that Mr. Hann be granted leave of absence with half-pay to July 1, 1954.

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

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

WELFARE OFFICER'S SALARY

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

A report from the City Manager respecting Welfare Division Salaries was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the salary scale for the classification of Welfare Officer be amended to read minimum \$3780.00 and maximum \$4380.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Date: April 12, 1954

Subject: Welfare Division Salaries

At a prior meeting Alderman Ahern brought up the question of the Welfare Officer's salary. I now have a memorandum from Mr. Jones addressed to Dr. Morton regarding his salary and those of people working under him.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Salary Range</u>	<u>Present Range</u>	<u>Suggested Range</u>
Welfare Officer	3500-4000	3660-4020	3780-4380
Case Worker, Gr.2	2808-3108	2820-3108	3000-3360
" " " 1	1908-2208	1980-2340	2040-2400
Messenger	2180	1980-2340	1980-2340

The suggested range is submitted for Council's consideration.

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

April 15, 1954.

Halifax, Nova Scotia

April 14th, 1954.

Mr. H. B. Jones,
Welfare Officer,
City Hall,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Jones:

Pursuant to our conversation of April 13th one of your Welfare workers, Mr. Nickerson, has the Union's permission to seek revaluation on his own behalf.

As to the other two members of your staff for whom you seek revaluation, Miss Dauphinee and Miss McKichan, since they are not Union members we have no personal interest in these people, but as we bargain for these positions we are interested in any change that may be made in regards to their evaluation.

As it is the Union's policy to always help to raise the standard of the working conditions of all employees I could not see where we would have any objections to your efforts to raise the evaluation of the positions within your department.

Yours truly,

Carl R. Simmons
PRESIDENT.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Council has in the past been criticized by the Union for dealing with salary requests that come under their bargaining unit but that he had received a letter which changed that position. He said on two previous occasions Council was criticized but in this case the Union said they were quite satisfied that Council deal with the matter. He also said that the Union should understand that Council did not intend to be prejudiced for taking the action.

Alderman Lane: "The statement is made that they are not members of the Union. Are they not members because of the positions they occupy or by their own choice?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The Union bargains for the positions, but not the people."

Alderman Lloyd: "It does require the study of the Finance and Executive Committee. We should take action tonight on Mr. Jones' salary."

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the salary recommended for Mr. Jones viz: \$3780-4380 be approved and that the classifications for Case Workers and the Messenger be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration and report. Motion passed.

PREFAB HOUSES NEW AGREEMENTS - HORNER AND GALLANT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

The attached report from the City Manager respecting New Agreements Prefab Houses was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that new agreements be executed in these cases.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Date: April 12, 1954

Subject: Prefab Houses - New Agreements - Horner & Gallant

1. 21 Highland Avenue.

This property was sold to Mr. Joseph Edward Melanson under an Agreement of Sale, dated January 27th, 1951.

Mr. Melanson died on March 1st of this year. Prior to his death he had an agreement drawn up, dated February 1st, 1951 whereby he agreed to assign all his interest in the property to his son-in-law, Stanley Gallant.

Mr. Gallant has apparently paid the monthly instalments ever since that date, and is now requesting that a new agreement be entered into between the City and himself. The widow of Mr. Malanson is prepared to release any interest she may have in the property.

There was also the question of a debt owed to the Personal Finance Company by Mr. Melanson, but I have now in my possession a letter from the solicitors of this Company stating that satisfactory arrangements have been made for the liquidation of this account.

2. 54 Micmac Street

Mr. H. J. Horner purchased this property from Mr. Hector

April 15, 1954.

Morash under an agreement of sale dated August 4, 1952.

The purchase price was \$7,200.00, payable as follows:-

\$2,500.00 down, and the balance in monthly instalments of \$57.00 each. At the same time Mr. Morash gave a Quit Claim deed to Mr. Horner and his wife. To date Mr. Horner has paid the sum of \$3,564.00. Nearly all the receipts which he has are signed by the Atlas Investment Company.

The arrears up to the end of March, 1954, amount to \$478.66.

The balance due to the City, as of December 31st, is the sum of \$3,313.93. There will also be Solicitor's Costs for the issuance of the writ.

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

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

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

A report from the City Manager, respecting the Canadian International Trade Fair which is to be held in Toronto May 31-June 12 was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee recommends that the City's exhibit be built around products produced in Halifax and Alderman Ahern authorized to represent the City at the Fair.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

CAPITOL SHOE REPAIR - USE OF CITY CREST

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date, decided to recommend that permission be granted to Capitol Shoe Repair to use the City Crest on cushion covers for sale to the public for a further period of one year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

April 15, 1954.

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

S. P. C. AGREEMENT

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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 City Solicitor submitted an agreement between the City and the Nova Scotia Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals for the year beginning July 1, 1954.

Your Committee recommends that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute this agreement on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

CITY HOME EQUIPMENT

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

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

Date: April 12, 1954

Subject: City Home Equipment.

City Home kitchen equipment has been paid for and completely installed. The borrowing was for \$47,000.00 and spent as follows. The balance unspent is \$2,036.22.

Cost of equipment to date		\$ 41,765.22
Final certificate Wrought Iron Range		<u>472.00</u>
Total cost of equipment		42,237.22
Paid to architect to date	\$1,867.84	
Final certificate to Architect	<u>674.10</u>	
Total Architect's fee		2,541.94
Architect's fee on electrical changes prior to building addition		<u>184.62</u>
Total cost of kitchen equipment		\$ 44,963.78

Approval of City Council is sought for

Final certificate - Wrought Iron Range Co.	472.00
" " to J. P. Dumaresq	<u>674.10</u>

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Payment for electrical changes
J. P. Dumaresq \$ 134.62

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

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

SALE OF LAND CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING GROUP

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

A request from a Co-Operative Housing Group consisting of
Messrs. Charles W. Westlake, Arthur R. Morrison, Gerald Pottie,
Gordon J. Sampson, Edgar W. Wheeler, J. Fred McLellan, and A. U.
Belair to purchase eleven lots of land owned by the City between
Robie and Leeds Streets on the proposed Memorial Drive at a price
of Five Hundred Dollars per lot was considered by the Finance and
Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee recommends that the eleven lots of land be
sold to this group at a price of Five Hundred Dollars per lot with
the understanding that a written undertaking will be given to the
effect that the group will assume all normal improvement charges
as well as the cost of grading the portion of Memorial Drive front-
ing on these lots.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

April 13, 1954.
Halifax, N. S.,

Mr. C. A. Vaughan
Alderman: Ward Six
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

We the group of eleven young men contemplating to build
under the Nova Scotia Housing Commission Act, and who have
appealed to our City Fathers for the purchasing of eleven lots
on Memorial Drive between Robie and Leeds Streets, hereby wish
to notify you that from this thirteenth day of April, nineteen
hundred and fifty-four all business conducted by this group with
authorities governmental, municipal, local or otherwise, hence-
forth shall be done in the name of our choice which shall be
known as the BASINVIEW COOPERATIVE HOUSING ASSOCIATION in accord-
ance with "Regulations for Management" laid down by the Nova Scotia
Housing Commission.

Sincerely yours,
Gordon J. Sampson,
Secretary.

Edward L. Roach
President.

April 15, 1954.

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

Alderman Dunlop: "I believe the co-operative group are the only people who knew these lots were for sale. In the Committee on Works there was no motion that these lots be offered for sale. We asked the City Manager to get us a list of City owned land so we would know what we have."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the land be offered for sale by tender in block and by lot and that the highest tender not necessarily be accepted and that the bidder state the purpose for which the lot will be used.

Alderman Macdonald: "I think that some group taking over a certain area of land at a price proposed by the Finance and Executive Committee is entirely wrong and it is discrimination against the other citizens of Halifax. I would rather see tenders called for each lot."

Alderman Hatfield: "Do we own all that land?"

Read letter from the City Solicitor's Department advising that the lots crossed some streets and that objection has been taken that the City at no time acquired title to these streets. It suggested that the matter be deferred until the title is cleared up.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration. Motion to refer was put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the Town Planning Engineer be instructed to lay out in subdivision form the balance of the land of the Fairview Cemetery not to be used for cemetery or school purposes and present that plan to the City Council. Motion passed.

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Alderman O'Malley: "Some months ago I was asked by a merchant what land the City owned. I received the list and it was noted against each parcel of land what purpose the City was holding it for. The land under consideration tonight was marked 'Memorial Drive.' These groups come into the Committee and immediately we are prepared to process for those people without giving other people an opportunity. I think the matter should be processed to its fullest."

Alderman Lloyd: "I would like to see the list revised. I did not know that land was reserved for Memorial Drive. Let us instruct the City Manager to review this list and bring it before the appropriate committee for consideration."

Alderman Hatfield: "Let us include the Westmount land too."

Alderman Vaughan: "I submitted a plan of the City Prison farm property and it never came back."

Alderman O'Malley: "When we were dealing with the rezoning of Charles, Creighton, Maynard and Gerrish Sts. the same was deferred in order to give the Directors of the School for the Deaf the opportunity to look over the farm area and determine whether they were interested or not. They may be interested in the Robie Street end of it. The matter of the School for the Deaf should be cleared."

Alderman Kitz: "I don't think that will jeopardize the School for the Deaf. The Mayor might consult with the Chairman of the Board."

Alderman O'Malley: "We were waiting for the winter to pass."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the Town Planning Engineer be asked to prepare a plan of the City Prison property showing a subdivision of the property on the east side of Robie Street 100 feet deep and that same be submitted to the next regular meeting of the City Council.

City Manager: "Had these 11 lots been processed, this mix-up probably would not have occurred. We have a form for the distri-

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bution of land and we canvas all the Departments to see if it is needed and then it comes before the Committee on Works, Finance and Executive Committee and then to Council. With respect to the Prison land I am trying to find something very difficult and that is the cost of constructing a Prison and what it would cost to relocate it."

Alderman Kitz: "I think Alderman Vaughan's motion was short, compact and simple."

Alderman Macdonald: "I believe some time ago you Your Worship were asked to appoint a committee to make a study of the entire City Prison property. It would seem reasonable to me to wait for the results of that Committee before we do anything about land."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Macdonald that this matter be not dealt with until we have a report from the City Prison Committee.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

Alderman Vaughan: "When we had a City Manager we were told that many facts would be given to us. Somewhere along the line things are dying between Committee and Council."

The motion was then put and passed.

Alderman DeWolf: "I would like to have a list of what the City owns."

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the City Manager prepare a list of City property in co-operation with the City Solicitor. Motion passed.

PARKING LOTS REVENUE

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

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

Date: April 8, 1954

Subject: Parking Lots - Revenues

Request was made for a report of the Gross Revenue for the two parking lots. This information is given below:-

April 15, 1954.

Grafton Street Lot - operated by merchants.

July 22, 1953 - December 31, 1953 \$ 2,607.72

Buckingham Street Lot.

January 1, 1953 - May 5, 1953 (attendants) 1,084.85
May 6, 1953 - December 31, 1953 (meters) 2,056.14
Total 1953 \$ 3,140.99

Beyond this information we have:-

Buckingham Street Lot.

Gross Revenue		\$ 3,140.99
Parking Lot Attendants	\$1,600.00	
Maintenance to 5/5/53	58.66	
*Meter Maintenance, estimated	<u>600.00</u>	<u>2,258.66</u>
Net Profit		\$ 882.33

*No actual record, but represents a generous allowance of \$ 20.00 per week.

Grafton Street Lot - July 22, 1953 - December 31, 1953

Gross Revenue	\$ 2,607.72
Expenditures	<u>2,979.36</u>
Net Loss	\$ 189.64

Division between City & Red Ball Parking Meter Co.

Total Receipts - May 6, 1953 - March 12, 1954	\$ 2,368.40
Less Estimated Cost of Service	<u>600.00</u>
	\$ 1,768.40
½ to be paid to Red Ball Meter Co.	<u>884.20</u>
City's share	\$ 884.20
Less cost of standards which can be used (paid by Red Ball Meter Co.)	<u>200.00</u>
Net to City	\$ 684.20

Pay Red Ball Meter Co. \$1,084.20

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

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield

that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TAX WRITE-OFFS \$708.77

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on
the above date agreed to recommend that uncollectible tax accounts

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amounting to \$708.77 be written off under the authority of Section 283 Sub-section 2 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

HOSPITAL ACCOUNT MR. FRED YOUNG

Halifax, N. S.,
April 12, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending for acceptance an offer of the Army Benevolent Fund to pay the sum of \$175.00 in full settlement of an account amounting to \$250.00 for hospitalization of a son of Mr. Frederick Young at the Infectious Diseases Hospital.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

INSURANCE RELEASES POLICE CAR \$25.00, PARKING METER \$57.75
AND PARKING METER \$10.50

Halifax, N. S.,
April 7, 1954.

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 cheques be accepted in full settlement of the City's claims for damages to Police Car and Parking Meters as follows:

- | | | |
|----|----------|-----------------------|
| 1. | \$ 25.00 | Damage to Police Car. |
| 2. | \$ 57.75 | " Parking Meter. |
| 3. | \$ 10.50 | " Parking Meter. |

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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INSURANCE RELEASE TREE \$5.00

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 12, 1954.

Subject: Payment of Claim for Damage to Tree - \$5.00.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 8th a cheque in the amount of \$5.00 was submitted by Messrs. Ross & Denyer in full settlement of a claim for a tree damaged by W. J. Petrie, on Devonshire Avenue, on January 18th, 1954.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

LEASES QUINPOOL ROAD AND FLEMING PARK

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: March 25th, 1954.

Subject: A. W. Burns - Leases - Quinpool Road and Fleming Park.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on March 18th., a request from A. W. Burns, for renewal of a lease of the property on Quinpool Road on the same terms as last year; and a lease of the stone pier at Fleming Park, on which he is erecting a Ferry Wharf and Landing, for which he is prepared to pay an annual fee of \$10.00, was considered.

The Committee recommended that Leases be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

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REQUEST POST OFFICE Re: LOCATION OF LETTER BOXES

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: March 25th., 1954.

Subject: Post Office request for Location of Letter Boxes.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on March 18th., a request from the Post Master for permission to place a Group Mail Box at -

Oakleigh and Stanford Streets

and

Ashburn Ave. and Abbott Drive,

for the purpose of serving residents in these localities, pending the extension of Letter Carrier Delivery Service, was recommended to City Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

Alderman DeWolf: "What about the Post Office on Quinpool Road?"

City Manager: "The Federal Department refused to turn it over."

Alderman DeWolf: "Why not have the building removed?"

The matter was left with the City Manager.

TRAFFIC CONTROL LIGHTS WINDSOR & NORTH STREETS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 7, 1954.

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

A report from the Chief of Police recommending that Traffic Control Lights of the fixed time type be installed at the intersection of Windsor and North Streets was considered by the Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. Publicover
CITY CLERK.

April 15, 1954.

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

MASTER FIRE ALARM BOXES - INGLIS STREET & SPRING GARDEN ROAD

Halifax, N. S.,
April 7, 1954.

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 permission be granted to have Master Fire
Alarm Signal Boxes connected to the City Fire Alarm System at the
following locations:

1. Inglis Street near Wellington Street
2. 100 and 112 Spring Garden Road

All costs to be borne by the parties concerned. The
equipment to be approved by the City Electrician and the City
reserving the right to disconnect the service at any time it may
be considered in its interest to do so.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ARM PATROL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 7, 1954.

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 re-appointed a Special Constable in charge
of the Arm Patrol for the 1954 Season at the same rate per hour
and under the same conditions as last year.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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TRAINING COURSES POLICE PERSONNEL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 7, 1954.

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

The attached report from the Chief of Police respecting
Training Courses - Police Personnel 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.

April 7, 1954.

His Worship the Mayor,
Members of the Safety Committee.

I should like to recommend that the following Police
Personnel be authorized to attend courses and that leave of
absence plus sufficient travelling time be granted them:

1. Sergeant E. A. Malay, to attend a Traffic Course at North-
western University, Evanston Illinois, September 13th to
October 1st, at a cost not to exceed Six Hundred Dollars.
This amount has been provided for in our current estimates.
2. Sergeant J. McGrath to attend a Civil Defence Instructors
Course at Arnprior, Ontario May 10th to 22nd. The expenses
in connection with this Course are to be borne by the
Dominion Government.

Trusting this may meet with your approval, I am,

Yours very truly,

V. W. Mitchell,
CHIEF OF POLICE.

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

AUTHORIZATION CITY SOLICITOR TO DEFEND COURT ACTION AGAINST POLICE
OFFICER

Halifax, N. S.,
April 7, 1954.

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 the City Solicitor be authorized to
defend any action that may be taken in the Courts against Mr. Ernest
Langille, a member of the Police Department, arising out of an
incident where a person was injured in the heel by a shot fired
from a revolver in the hand of the said Ernest Langille.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved and that the City Solicitor make a report. Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF DICTATING EQUIPMENT T. B. HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S.,
April 7, 1954.

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 a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending the purchase of Audograph Equipment for use at the Tuberculosis Hospital at a cost of \$2,124.36 less 2% in 10 days.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation. Funds required for this purpose to be provided from the current estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

REZONING LOT COLUMBUS STREET

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 13th., 1954.

Subject: Application from C. G. Abbott to rezone Lot on Columbus St.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on April 8th., the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending refusal of a request from Mr. C. G. Abbott to rezone one Lot on Columbus Street from Second Density residential to Third Density residential was considered.

The Committee concurred in the recommendation that this application be refused.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that Council fix Thursday, May 13, 1954 at 8:00 P. M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S. as the time and place for a

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public hearing in this matter. Motion passed.

Alderman O'Malley: "We won't have the maps to explain to Council why we arrived at the decision in the Town Planning Board."

It was agreed that if the funds for advertising were not forthcoming, there would be no public hearing.

REZONING PORTION OF COOK AVENUE

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 13th., 1954.

Subject: Application from Community Housing Ltd. to Rezone portion
of Cook Avenue.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on April 8th., the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending refusal of a request from Community Housing Ltd., to rezone a portion of Cook Avenue from Park and Institutional to First Density Residential was considered.

The Committee concurred in the recommendation that this application be refused.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that Council fix Thursday, May 13, 1954 at 8:00 P. M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S. as the time and place for a public hearing in this matter. Motion passed.

OFFICIAL STREET LINES CARLETON STREET - DATE FOR HEARING

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: March 25th., 1954.

Subject: Alteration of Official Street Line for Carleton Street -
University Avenue to College Street

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on March 18th., the attached report from the Commissioner of Works, relative to altering the Official Street lines for Carleton Street, was considered.

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The Committee approved the report and also recommended modification of the Yard or Lot area, under Part 15 of the Zoning By-Law.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

From: A. C. Harris, Commissioner of Works and City Engineer.

Date: March 18th, 1954.

Subject: Alteration Official Street Lines for Carleton St. -
University Ave. to College St.

The Official Street Lines for Carleton Street were laid down on Section 17 of the Official City Plan and confirmed by the City Council on April 28th, 1911. Section 17 shows the Official width to be eighty-four (84') feet.

At a later date the block of land bounded by Summer Street, Morris Street, Carleton Street and College Street was conveyed to the Governor of Dalhousie University, by the City of Halifax on April 2nd, 1912. "Reserving however to the City a right-of-way for a public street across the land hereby conveyed, such street to be in substitution for Carleton Street, to be not less than sixty (60') feet in width and to begin on the northern boundary of the said land at the point where Carleton Street now enters on the said land and to continue across the said land to Morris Street in a course not unreasonably deflected from that now followed by Carleton Street, such course to be subject to the approval of the City Engineer of the City of Halifax."

The Public Health Clinic at the northeast corner of University Avenue (Morris Street) and Carleton Street was built during the years 1922 and 1923. This building encroaches over the eastern official street line of Carleton Street, as confirmed by City Council on April 28th, 1911, a distance of approximately seventeen (17') feet. The records in this office have been checked, but no alteration in the Official Street Lines could be found.

We have prepared a Plan Section 17B for that portion of Carleton Street from University Avenue to College Street with the recommendation that the street lines be officially altered to conform with what had been planned years ago.

The matter came to our attention by reason of a proposed building to be erected on the eastern side of Carleton Street between the Public Health Clinic and the Medical Library Building.

It is necessary that the new building take every advantage of the land available, and be permitted to build to the official street line. The zoning regulations call for a Ten (10') foot building line, and it is further recommended that the Ten (10') foot building line be altered to coincide with the proposed eastern official street line of Carleton Street. The authority for this

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being Section 543A of the City Charter. This calls for public notice to be given through the newspaper, and could coincide with the public notice for the proposed alteration of the official street lines.

Should the Board approve of the above recommendations, it would be necessary to refer the matter to the City Council to set a date for a public hearing. This requires about three weeks' notice through the newspapers, and the date suggested for the hearing would be the regular May Council Meeting, which is set for May 13th.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works &
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the report be approved and that Council fix Thursday, May 13, 1954 at 8:00 P. M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S. as the time and place for the hearing in this matter. Motion passed.

APPLICATION BUILDING PERMIT SEAFORTH STREET

March 25th, 1954.

102 Seaforth Street,
Halifax, N. S.

To: The Mayor and City Council,
City Hall,
City of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.

Attention: City Clerk

Dear Sirs:

I wish to apply for permission for erection of a single family dwelling on lot #2 and lot #4, property 102 Seaforth Street, as provided for under Part 15, Section (g), of the building code.

December, 1940, I bought the property 102 Seaforth Street, being lots #2, #3 and #4 on plan of subdivision of Hartnett, Property prepared by H. B. Pickings, P.L.S., dated June 28th., 1920 and filed at Registry of Deeds as Plan #202 and being lots #2, #3 and #4 of a plan of Moulton Property made by W. H. Foster, P.L.S., dated August 28th., 1928 and filed as Plan #382.

Due to street improvements and change of street line, I found it necessary to have a private survey made by E. O. Temple Piers, P. L. S., June 22nd., 1951. A copy of his survey is enclosed, also a rough drawing of proposed boundaries of lots #2, #3 and #4.

Should it be necessary for me to appear when you consider this matter and need further information, I should be glad to do so.

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Trusting that this matter will receive your earliest consideration, I am,

Yours truly,

W. A. Smith,
William A. Smith.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Board for a report. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION LOT LIVERPOOL STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.
From: Clerk of Works.
Date: March 25th., 1954.
Subject: Resubdivision of Lot - Liverpool Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on March 18th, 1954, considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending approval of a Plan of Resubdivision of a Lot on Liverpool Street, showing two new lots of 100 ft. x 48 ft.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that this resubdivision be approved without a Public Hearing, as shown on Plan No. 00-7-12688.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION LOT ON CONNAUGHT AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.
From: Clerk of Works.
Date: March 25th., 1954.
Subject: Resubdivision of Lot on Connaught Avenue.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting, held on March 18th., considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending approval of a Plan of Resubdivision of a portion of Fifth Street, showing a rear building Lot 50 ft. x 120 ft. approximately.

The Board concurred in the recommendation, that this Re-

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subdivision be approved, without a Public Hearing, as shown on Plan NO. 00-7-12689.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION LOTS 16 & 24 HEMLOCK STREET

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 13th., 1954.

Subject: Resubdivision of Lots 16 and 24 Hemlock Street

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on April 8th., considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of a Plan of resubdivision of Lots 16 and 24, to provide a greater frontage of Lot 24.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that this resubdivision be approved, as shown on Plan No. 00-7-12694 and that no Public Hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION LOTS 11 & 12 NEWTON AVENUE

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 13th., 1954.

Subject: Resubdivision - Lots 11 & 12 - Newton Avenue.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on April 8th., considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending approval of a Plan of Resubdivision of Lots 11 and 12 to form one dwelling lot 40' x 100'.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that this resub-

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division be approved, as shown on Plan No. 00-7-12695 and that no Public Hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

REQUEST REZONING VEITH, HANOVER STS. & DEVONSHIRE AVENUE

A request for rezoning the above area from Park and Institutional to First Density Residential was submitted.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Board for a report. Motion passed.

MODIFICATION OF YARD AREA 850 ROBIE STREET

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 13th., 1954

Subject: Modification of Yard Area 850 Robie Street.

At a meeting of The Town Planning Board, held on April 8th., the attached report from the Building Inspector, recommending that Mr. George Wrixon be granted permission to build an addition on the rear of his building at 850 Robie Street, 9" from the property line, was considered.

The Committee recommended that permission be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Town Planning Board,
C. E. Day, Building Inspector,
April 6th, 1954.

I am in receipt of an application by Mr. George Wrixon, of 850 Robie Street. Mr. Wrixon is applying to Council under Part 15, section F of the Zoning By-law for Council to grant him permission to build an addition on the rear of his building and this addition will be only 9" from his property line.

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Mr. Wrixon's house is only 9" from the property line and the addition would therefore follow the line of the present building.

Since Mr. Wrixon has informed me that his neighbors next door would have no objections to this addition I would therefore recommend that this permission be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Day,
Building Inspector.

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

MODIFICATION OF LOT AREA 8 & 11 PHILIP STREET

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 13th., 1954.

Subject: Modification of Lot area - Lot #8 Philip Street

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on April 8th., the attached report from the Building Inspector recommending approval of Mr. Earl V. Kent's application under Part 15, Section G of the Halifax Zoning By-law for permission to erect a single family dwelling on his Lot on Philip Street was considered.

The Board recommended that permission be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Town Planning Board,

C. E. Day, Building Inspector,

April 6th, 1954.

Mr. Earl V. Kent is applying to Council under Part 15, section G of the Halifax Zoning By-Law for Council to grant him permission to erect a single family dwelling on his lot on Philip Street.

This section states, that Council if it sees fit may permit the erection of one-family dwellings upon sites of a lesser width or area than is required herein in cases where, by reason of existing ownership or existing building developments, it would be manifestly unjust to require strict adherence to the requirements of this By-Law, provided further, however, that in no case permission be granted for such erection except as otherwise provided in this By-Law upon a site of lesser area than three thousand square feet.

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Mr. Kent wishes to build on lot #8 Philip Street and he now owns lot #7 Philip Street which has a house erected on it. I would therefore say that in my opinion it would be manifestly unjust to require strict adherence to the By-Law. I would therefore, recommend that this Board send a recommendation to Council to grant Mr. Kent's request.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. Day,
Building Inspector.

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 13th., 1954.

Subject: Modification of Lot Area - Lot #11 Philip Street.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on April 8th., the attached report from the Building Inspector recommending refusal of Mr. Lewis Nash's application, under Part 15, Section G of the Halifax Zoning By-Law for permission to erect a single family dwelling on Lot #11 Philip Street, was considered.

The Committee recommended that permission be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Town Planning Board,

C. E. Day, Building Inspector,

April 6th., 1954.

Mr. Lewis Nash is applying to Council under Part 15, Section G of the Halifax Zoning By-Law for Council to grant him permission to erect a single family dwelling on lot #11 Philip Street.

This land is now owned by Robie S. Lewis who owns three adjoining lots, lots 11, 12 and 13; they are all 33' x 100'. I believe that it was the intention of the Zoning By-Law that in a case such as this that they would not allow a person to build on a 33' lot because the owner could subdivide his land and make lots of regulation sizes without too much of a loss to the owner. In this case Mr. Lewis could divide his lots so that he could make two lots of regulation size such as one 49' lot and one 50' lot.

With this view in mind I would recommend to the Board that a recommendation be sent to Council to refuse Mr. Nash's application.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Day,
Building Inspector.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that

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the reports of the Committee on Works be approved. Motion passed.

ROUGH GRADING MEMORIAL DRIVE

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.
From: Clerk of Works
Date: April 12th., 1954.
Subject: Memorial Drive - Rough Grading.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on April 8th., the matter of rough grading Memorial Drive, a width of sixty (60') feet, was considered.

The meeting agreed to recommend to City Council, that the work of rough grading be done by the Kelly Co-Operative Housing Ltd., at the same time Sewer and Water is installed under arrangements to be made between the Company's contractor and the City Engineering Department.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

CANTEEN CONCESSIONS PUBLIC GARDENS, NORTH COMMONS,
HORSESHOE ISLAND

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.
From: Clerk of Works.
Date: April 12th., 1954.
Subject: Tenders for Canteen Concessions.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on April 8th., recommended that the following Tenders be accepted:-

Halifax Public Gardens

W. D. Hartlen
3 Years \$ 3300.00

North Common - (Mobile Canteen)

Vasil Velcoff
3 Years \$ 1200.00

Horseshoe Island

Heber Fosberg
1 Year \$ 600.00

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

OVERHANGING SIGNS

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.
From: Clerk of Works.
Date: April 12th., 1954.
Subject: Overhanging Signs.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on April
8th., a report from the Building Inspector, recommending that the
following Signs be allowed to be erected was approved.

373 Gottingen Street J. H. MacDonald	\$ 5.00	Illuminated
44 Jacob Street Bernard Tovey	\$ 5.00	"
81 Upper Water Street B. A. Jackson	\$ 5.00	"
555 Barrington Street Imperial Tobacco Sales Co.	\$ 5.00	"

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk,

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

CLAIMS P. CONNELL & D. P. DOWLING

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.
From: Clerk of Works.
Date: April 12th., 1954.
Subject: Claims - P. Connell and D. P. Dowling.

The attached report from the City Manager relative to
Claims for damage to tires due to striking an exposed rail on
Gottingen Street was considered by the Committee on Works at a
meeting held on April 8th.

The Committee recommended that Mr. Connell be paid \$34.20
and Mr. Dowling \$20.00 in settlement of their claims.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau, Clerk of Works.

April 15, 1954.

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

PURCHASE OF LAND - VAUGHAN AVENUE WIDENING

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

From: Clerk of Works

Date: April 12th., 1954.

Subject: Purchase of Land - Vaughan Ave. Widening - From David
Nash - \$60.00

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on April 8th., the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that a triangular piece of land be purchased from Mr. David Nash for the sum of \$60.00, to bring Vaughan Avenue to its full width of forty (40') feet, 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 the Committee on
Works

From: A. C. Harris, Commissioner of Works & City Engineer

Date: April 7, 1954.

Subject: Purchase of Land - Vaughan Avenue widening - From David
Nash - \$60.00

A letter has been received from Mr. David Nash, stating that he is prepared to convey a triangular piece of land, containing approximately 200 square feet, to the City of Halifax for the sum of \$60.00. This land is necessary to bring Vaughan Avenue to its full width of Forty (40) feet.

Mr. Nash further states in his letter that he was charged for Sewer Assessment, both on Bayers Road and Vaughan Avenue. He has suggested that should his offer be accepted, that the amount paid for the land be applied to the amount he owes the City for Sewer Assessment on Vaughan Avenue.

It is therefore recommended that this land be purchased for the sum of \$60.00.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris,
Commissioner of Works & City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Moriarty

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that the report be approved. Motion passed.

GRANT OF EASEMENTS TO HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 12th., 1954.

Subject: Re-Grant of Easements - City of Halifax to Halifax-Dartmouth
Bridge Commission

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on April 8th., the attached report from the City Solicitor, recommending approval of easements requested by the Halifax Dartmouth Bridge Commission was considered.

The Committee approved and recommended that this be forwarded to City Council to be executed by the Mayor and City Clerk on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

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

Date: April 8, 1954.

Subject: Re: Grant of Easements, City of Halifax to Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission.

For some time the preparation of easements for the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge has been under consideration and I have now prepared and attach hereto a Grant of Easements as requested by the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission.

There are 4 easements in all contained in this document.

The first easement is a right to construct and maintain a curb or abutment on the north side of North Street at the intersection of Brunswick Street.

The second easement is permission to the Commission to construct a bridge over Barrington Street.

The third and fourth easements are to permit the bridge to be constructed over two former streets, namely Mumford Terrace and the north end of Water Street. Both of these streets have ceased to exist for many years and any permission that is given by the City is stated to be to such extent as the City has power and authority to grant such permission.

I would recommend that your Committee approve of this Grant of Easements and forward the same to Council for its approval and authorization to the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the same.

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Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

CHANGE OF NAME COLEMAN COURT TO COLEMAN STREET

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 12th., 1954.

Subject: Changing name of Coleman Court to Coleman Street.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on April 8th.,
considered a request from Mrs. Coleman that the name of the new
street off Bayers Road recently named Coleman Court, be changed
to Coleman Street.

The Committee agreed to recommend that the name be changed
to Coleman Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

REQUEST H. H. MARSHALL LTD. TO RENT 3 SPACES IN THE BUCKINGHAM
STREET PARKING LOT

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 12th., 1954.

Subject: H. H. Marshall, Ltd., request to rent space in Buckingham
Parking Lot.

A request from H. H. Marshall, Ltd., to rent 3 spaces in
the Buckingham Park Lot, for which they offer to pay \$10.00 per
month for each space, was considered by the Committee on Works, at
its meeting held on April 8th.

The Committee agreed to recommend that the request be
granted.

Respectfully submitted,

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

April 15, 1954.

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

ELECTION RETURN

Halifax, N. S.,
April 14, 1954.

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 paper of Richard Alphonsus Donahoe, Esq., Q. C., 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 28, 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon publicly declared Richard Alphonsus Donahoe, Esq., Q. C. duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the term expiring on April 30, 1955.

SURVEY OF HOUSING AREAS

Halifax, N. S.,
March 18, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Slum Clearance and Public Housing Committee held on the above date consideration was given to the matter of carrying out a housing survey in certain areas of the City where sub-standard dwellings are located.

It was agreed to carry out a survey of housing conditions in the following areas at an approximate cost of \$2500.00 same being provided for in the current estimates:

1. Charles, Queen, A. and G. and Gortals on Sts.
2. Gerrish, Brunswick, Arts and Barrington Sts.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Vardine, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that this matter be referred back to the Slum Clearance and Public Housing Committee for further consideration. Motion passed.

OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

City Hall

Halifax, N. S.

April 13, 1954.

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

Your Worship and Aldermen: Re: Report on 1954 Legislation

At the session of the Legislature just concluded the City submitted five Bills, as follows:

1. Bill No. 49 - An Act to repeal Chapter 88 of the Acts of 1952, respecting the establishment of a Board of Management for the Halifax Memorial Library.
2. Bill No. 50 - An Act to Amend Chapter 68 of the Acts of 1950, respecting The Halifax Teachers Pension System.
3. Bill No. 51 - An Act relating to the City of Halifax, to enable a certain portion of Fairview Cemetery to be used as a school site and for other purposes.
4. Bill No. 63 - An Act to Amend the Law Relating to the City of Halifax.
5. Bill No. 70 - An Act to Amend the Law Relating to the City of Halifax.

Bill No. 49 was passed in the form in which it was introduced.

Bill No. 50 was amended in the Committee for clarification and to provide that any teacher who has withdrawn his contributions to the System shall not be entitled to receive any subsequent pension from the System.

Bill No. 51 was enacted in the form in which it was introduced.

Bill No. 63 was, subject to the correction of certain amendments for clarification, passed in the form in which it was introduced, with the following exceptions:

(1) Section 23(4). The Section permitting the Council to refuse an auctioneer's license was amended to limit this right only in the case where the applicant "is not a fit and proper person to receive such license." The change will not affect the proper operation of this Section.

(2) Section 32. This Section prohibited the throwing away any box, etc., without removing the closing or locking device thereon. The Committee provided that this Section would not apply to any box, etc., less than 1 cubic foot in size.

(3) Section 36. The Committee deleted from the Section concerning the erection of radio or television antennae any reference to antennae. This is not a serious matter since there are

very few radio antennae in existence nowadays and they are simple matters in comparison to the type used for television. The Committee also revised the tax which the City can impose on the operator of a "community antenna" by changing it from a tax on gross revenue to a flat sum of \$1000.00 to be fixed by ordinance. The Committee also placed a limit of \$25,000.00 on the amount of the bond to be provided by any person operating such an antenna instead of leaving the amount at a fixed sum of \$25,000.00.

In the portion of the same Section which deals with the establishment of trailer camps, the Committee provided that nothing in the Section would prohibit the parking in the rear yard of any residential premises for periods not exceeding two weeks at any one time of one trailer, provided that while so parked it was either unoccupied or used solely for living or sleeping quarters. The Committee also amended the same Section to provide that no persons now operating a trailer camp should be stopped from such operation, provided that such persons comply with the provisions of any ordinance made under the authority of that Section.

(4) In the amendment to Section 5983 it was necessary to make an alteration because of the provisions made in Bill No. 70 to enable the City to designate the portion of the cost of local improvements to be borne by the abutting owners.

Bill No. 70. This Bill was enacted in the form introduced, with the following exceptions.

(1) The Committee decided to place a maximum limit on the amount of any allowance to be granted to any widow rather than the definite amount as was decided by the Council and contained in the Bill as introduced.

(2) Section 5. The Committee added a subsection to Section 387A, which provided that the fixed assessment of any property should continue to maintain the same relationship to the assessed value of the property as existed in 1964, by providing an appeal from the determination of the actual value of the property by the Assessor.

(3) The Committee also permitted the addition of five sections to the Bill as approved by the City Council.

I would like to express my appreciation to the members of the Private and Local Bills Committee for their courtesy and understanding in considering the legislation submitted by the City. I would particularly like to mention the cooperation given by The Honourable Mr. Connolly, whose familiarity with the problems of the City proved to be of great assistance in the consideration of these Bills by the Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

Carl P. Perrone
CARL P. PERRONE
CITY CLERK

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REPORT ON 1954 LEGISLATION

A report was submitted from the City Solicitor advising of the changes made by the Nova Scotia Legislature to the City's Legislation for 1954 and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

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

F I L E D

QUESTIONS ALDERMAN KITZ Re: POLICE LOCK-UP

1. Is it a fact that in the City Lock-Up the prisoners kept overnight and over week-ends are provided with only a metal platform on which to lie down, and that no blankets are supplied?
2. Does the same apply to the Lock-Up section for women prisoners?
3. Is it a fact that no food is supplied to overnight prisoners until noon?
4. Do the Lock-Up Regulations prevent prisoners from phoning their solicitors or bondsmen in order to arrange bail?
5. Would the City Manager confer with the Chief of Police and make a report to the next meeting of the Safety Committee whether the situation may be eased.

APPOINTMENT COMMISSIONER OF WORKS

Alderman DeWolf asked if the legislation passed at the last session provided that the Commissioner of Works was appointed automatically or if he had to come up in Council.

City Manager: "Next day in Council meeting."

RE-ASSESSMENT

Alderman Le... asked if His Worship the Mayor had had any word from the re-assessment firm he had written to and was advised that the firm would have a representative present at the special Council meeting on April 23, 1954.

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NOTICE OF MOTION ALD. HATFIELD Re: BRIDGE ACROSS NORTH WEST ARM

Alderman Hatfield gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he would move that the Mayor and Department Heads seek a conference with Provincial Authorities with a view to having a bridge constructed across the North West Arm at or near the Dingle with a view to providing an exit from the south-west section of the City of Halifax.

INSPECTION OF MEAT

Alderman Ahern made reference to certain statements made by a barrister at the recent public hearing on the erection of an abattoir in the Northern part of the City, with respect to the condition of meat brought into the City. He felt it was important enough to have an investigation to better conditions.

The Commissioner of Health advised that meat is inspected under the Canada Food and Drug Act but that he knew there is a tremendous amount of meat coming into the City that is slaughtered under poor conditions and has no inspection whatever. He said there is no way of stopping the sale of meat that is not killed under proper regulations.

Alderman Lane asked if the Inspector could differentiate between a slaughtered animal and one that died of disease to which the Commissioner replied in the negative.

His Worship the Mayor: "The erection of a modern abattoir would bring into effect the law which says no meat shall be brought into this City unless it is inspected by the Federal Government. Any meat not so inspected is forbidden. It is wrong to say that the public is getting no protection because of our Health Department."

Alderman Lloyd: "The Province has indicated it is willing to heavily subsidize the erection of an abattoir. We should explore the possibility of locating a site in co-operation with the Province in the City of Halifax. It could be in the County and be

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prepared to assist in a fund for the acquisition of that site and supply it with disposal services. You have to proceed along those lines. Any site in the City would meet with the same opposition as we had before. We might ask the Province to undertake the project itself. We could ask them to provide a site and supply it with sewer and water and make it available to the City. You could recommend to Council whether a Committee could be advisable on it."

His Worship the Mayor: "I will do that."

FUNERAL LATE PREMIER ANGUS L. MACDONALD

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that His Worship the Mayor appeal to employers in the City to make it possible for the employees to attend the funeral of the late Premier. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor: "I was in communication with the Province to see what accommodation was being made for the City Council and I was told that the Mayor would be the sole representative of the Council. There is no seating accommodation in the church for the members of Council."

TENDERS ON ASPHALT, CONCRETE SIDEWALKS, TRENCHING & INSPECTION

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 15, 1954.

Subject: Tenders for Asphalt Paving - Concrete Sidewalks, Curbs
and Gutters - Trenching - and Inspection.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above date the attached tabulation of tenders recommended for acceptance was approved and recommended to City Council, viz:

Asphalt Paving	- Standard Paving Maritime, Ltd.
Sidewalks	- Messrs. Walker & Hall, Ltd.
Trenching	- Standard Paving Maritime, Ltd.
Inspection	- Hersey Laboratories, Ltd.

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

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

USE OF APPRAISER ON B. J. VAUGHAN PROPERTY

The City Manager stated that with respect to a City sewer running through the above named property it might be necessary to secure the services of an appraiser. He said he was authorized to proceed along certain lines.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Dunlop that the City Manager and City Solicitor be authorized to secure the services of an appraiser at their own discretion.

Alderman O'Malley: "What was the price?"

City Manager: "\$1.00 per sq. ft. My instructions from the Finance and Executive Committee were to continue negotiations with the owner."

Alderman O'Malley: "The party in question said he would be reasonable. It is going to cost a certain amount of money to engage an appraiser. I would sooner see this matter cleared up on a reasonable basis."

Moved in amendment by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Allen that the City offer Mr. B. J. Vaughan the sum of 45 cents a square foot.

Alderman Lloyd: "I would be compelled to oppose that resolution. We might come out cheaper in the long run. The facts are well known to the Council how the City constructed sewer over land owned by Mr. Vaughan over which they had no authority to do, in part. We were to establish whether or not that was a fact. I think we should establish whether Mr. Harris received any authority first and if no authority were given then we negotiate with Mr. Vaughan. The Manager may or may not need the appraiser."

Alderman Dunlop: "45¢ will be established as a floor. I read in the press that the gentleman did not own the land when the sewer was put down. I suggest we don't accept responsibility until we are responsible. I would like to see this matter deter-

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ained by the Court."

Alderman Kitz: "This matter has grown unnaturally. I see very little difference in this instance in taking over street land. Often we have our Assessor negotiate a price. He cannot bind us. The question of trespass on vacant land does not worry me too much. There is a much more important point and that is the line has made a severance in the property. I don't know whether it is advisable to appoint an outside appraiser at this juncture. The Manager in conjunction with the Assessor should do some negotiating. It will hurt nobody and might save us costs and arrive at a good figure."

Alderman Lloyd: "The Manager should consult with the Commissioner of Works and the City Solicitor to find out the facts and report back. The fee for an appraiser would not be great."

His Worship the Mayor: "It looks like an appraiser is essential in this matter no matter what course we follow. The Manager cannot make a counter offer. If we need an appraiser to arrive at a figure on which we may negotiate and if we are unsuccessful and have to go to expropriation, we still require an appraiser anyway."

Alderman DeWolf: "I think the City would be making a mistake without getting an independent appraiser's idea of the value of the land. He determines what is a fair price and what is paid for comparable land in the district. Could it not be settled for the meeting on April 23, 1954?"

City Manager: "We will try."

Alderman Lloyd: "And the matter of responsibility?"

City Manager: "We will try to get that too."

His Worship the Mayor: "Responsibility for the sever being put in without the permission of the owner should be fixed. We should know how it happened and we should guard against it happening again. For part of it there was permission given and negotiations were left hanging on the fixation of a price."

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman O'Malley

AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Dunlop
Lane
Macdonald
Adams
Lloyd
Kitz
Ahern
Allen
Vaughan
Hatfield

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The motion was put and passed.

40 HOUR WEEK CITY FIELD

Read letter from the Halifax and District Trades and Labor Council as follows:

P. O. Box 1061,
Halifax, N. S.,
April 15, 1954.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Halifax and District Trades and Labor Council held Wednesday, April 14th, a letter was read from Local 108, City Field Workers Union, in reference to conversation held with Mr. J. P. Bell, Director of Labor. At this meeting Mr. DeBard was present.

After considerable discussion it was decided to recommend to City Council that a two months trial on the five day week be given.

As General Secretary of Council I was instructed to write Your Worship and Gentlemen, requesting that you give this matter the consideration which we feel it deserves.

Yours very truly,

James M. Cody,
General Secretary.

Read report from the City Manager as follows:

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

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

Date: April 15, 1954,

Subject: Forty-hour week - City Field.

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Following the Council's vote on March 11, 1954, the City Field Union applied to the Nova Scotia Labour Board for conciliation on the matter of the forty-hour week.

I conferred with Mr. J. P. Bell of the Department on April 13 and again on April 14 with a Committee of the Union. While I personally consider the matter closed with the action of City Council, I did not think it advisable to refuse to talk since I certainly would not commit myself or the City to any decisions.

The Union's representatives still insist in quarrelling about the cost and claim that it may not be ten per cent, that it may be some other figure possibly higher or lower than ten per cent.

Their feeling in the matter is that we try the forty-hour week for two months. I have just received a letter addressed to you in which they make this recommendation to City Council.

They were very anxious to have me recommend this trial period and when I insisted that so far as I was concerned that the additional cost would be ten per cent, they suggested that I advocate the two months' trial period, and that costs be kept and checked against last years' costs for the same period. After consulting with Mr. West and Mr. Barry, of our Works cost section, I feel that any cost comparisons on this basis would be very imperfect and would prove nothing.

The fact remains that men cannot do as much in forty hours as they can do in forty-four hours if they have been working as they should during the forty-four hours. For the Union to say that they can do as much work in forty hours as they formerly did in forty-four is a self-accusation that they have not delivered what they should for the money they are already receiving. In our discussion much was made of the fact that little is accomplished in the four hours on Saturday morning. If this is true, this is a reflection on our supervision and since Mr. West was present, I have called this statement to his attention and we will see that any work ordered on Saturday morning is very carefully supervised to see that we get full benefit for the money paid. In addition, he is being advised that no jobs are to be started where there is any appreciable loss of time due to getting started and stopping at noon. No doubt this will result in a reduction of the work which we do on Saturdays and in effect will be making a forty-hour week for the employees affected.

I am also sure that if this trial period is initiated that at its conclusion no matter what we may feel or be able to prove about costs that the point will be made that to give up what has been put on a trial basis is a step backwards and that any decision for a trial period is almost bound to result in a permanent change. I must point out that if this change is made that it is inevitable that ten per cent less work will be done for the same amount of money.

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

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Alderman Vaughan: "What was the decision of the March meeting?"

The City Manager read the resolution as passed the Council on March 19, 1954.

Alderman Vaughan: "It requires a notice of motion to rescind if it is the desire to change it."

His Worship the Mayor: "That is right."

The City Manager stated the first step for the Union was to talk with him as he is the Bargaining Agent for the City. If nothing came of that a Conciliation Board would be appointed and if nothing came of that a Board of Arbitration would be appointed.

Alderman Lloyd: "Suppose we do come to January first and we negotiate rates of pay. It would be a great help to us to know what the result of an experience with the problem would be. If there are ways and means of improving the performance of the work, they say they can handle so many tons of garbage or ashes under some arrangement with the same number of men in so many hours, if their claim can be substantiated. I think after a 2 months' trial, we would be in a better position for next January."

Mr. George A. Smith of the Halifax and District Trades and Labor Council addressed the Council on the matter and said the 2 months' trial was a compromise for this year and that it was not intended to continue the 40 hour week for the remainder of the year after July and August at the same take-home pay. He also said it was found in the construction industry that Saturday morning was not a profitable operation and that was one of the reasons why it would not cost 10% to put the 40 hour week into effect. He advised that the Public Service Commission have been on a 40 hour week for the last 3 years and the City Hall closes 2 months a year on Saturday mornings. He said the City Field workers were not asking for anything unreasonable.

The City Manager said if the City Field wanted to meet the City half way it would agree to the 40 hour week at the same hourly

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rates. He suggested trying that arrangement for 2 months. He also said the City would retain the same rate and get the same amount of work done. Some part of the force would work all Saturday and that would drop it below 10% but generally speaking it would cost the City 10% more.

Alderman Lane: "I would like to know the cost of maintaining workers in the City Field for Saturday mornings during July and August last year."

City Manager: "We can get money cost."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that we have a trial period during July and August of the 40 hour week at the same take home pay.

Alderman Vaughan: "Is that not contrary to the motion passed last month?"

Alderman Lloyd: "The question has been raised here about the production of work. I don't know any better way of determining it than by having this 2 months' trial period."

His Worship the Mayor: "What are we going to compare the production of work with if we had completed a 2 months' trial period?"

At this time His Worship the Mayor ruled the motion out of order it requiring a notice of motion as it was contrary to the action of Council at the last regular meeting. He said Council named a definite date when the 40 hour week would come into effect.

The matter of the City Manager being authorized to talk with the City Field Union was brought up and His Worship the Mayor stated he thought the Manager should be authorized to continue negotiations with the Union.

City Manager: "Does that include going beyond the action of Council?"

City Solicitor: "He cannot commit."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the time has come when we should

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come to grips with the unit costs at the City Field. You get down to it when you say it costs so much to move a ton of ashes. That is where you get your measuring devices."

Alderman Lloyd then gave notice of motion that at the next regular meeting of City Council he would move that the resolution passed by the Council on March 11, 1954 respecting the 40 hour week at City Field be rescinded and that the 40 hour week with the same take-home pay be approved for the City Field effective January 1, 1955.

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #13A - TAXI METERS

Halifax, N. S.,
April 15, 1954.

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

An amendment to Ordinance #13A respecting Taximeters was considered by the Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the amendment be read and passed a first time and referred to the Finance and Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENT

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Halifax as follows:

1. Subsection (1) of Section 4 of Ordinance No. 13A, respecting Taximeters, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

4. (1) Any person who has used a motor-driven vehicle in which a taximeter is installed and who refuses to pay the tariff rates as shown on the taximeter shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Fifty Dollars and in default of payment of such penalty to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty days.

His Worship, H. A. Daubney, Mayor,
Members of City Council,

City Manager, A. A. DeWitt, Jr.,

April 10, 1954

Subject: Administrative Report for March, 1954

1. Snow Removal

	Exp. to DP&C	Actual	Balance March 1954
1. Filling sand boxes	247.59		247.59
2. Repairs to snow fences	2.00		2.00
3. Repairs to equipment	5,755.00	7.00	5,748.00
4. Salting Streets - Labor	2,247.71	617.51	1,630.20
5. " " Material	1,414.30	1,251.00	163.30
6. Plowing streets - Labor	2,362.88	807.00	1,555.88
7. Cleaning City Property	1,245.56	440.00	805.56
8. Snow removal (Hauling)	14,130.59	-	14,130.59
9. Intersections & crosswalks	2,142.50		2,142.50
10. Cleaning catchpits	5,922.28	168.57	5,753.71
11. Gas & Oil	4,619.65	337.04	4,282.61
12. Stores & supplies	5,286.11	202.91	5,083.20
13. Miscellaneous	138.54	20.00	118.54
			10,000.00

108 miles of street were salted and 100 miles of street were plowed. No snow had to be hauled to dump. Streets were plowed.

2. Streets and Sewers

27,869 square yards of street and 1,000,000 square feet of sewer catch were used on paved streets. The amount of gas and oil streets was not yet determined. The amount of street swept by hand was 147 miles of street.

3. Garbage and Refuse

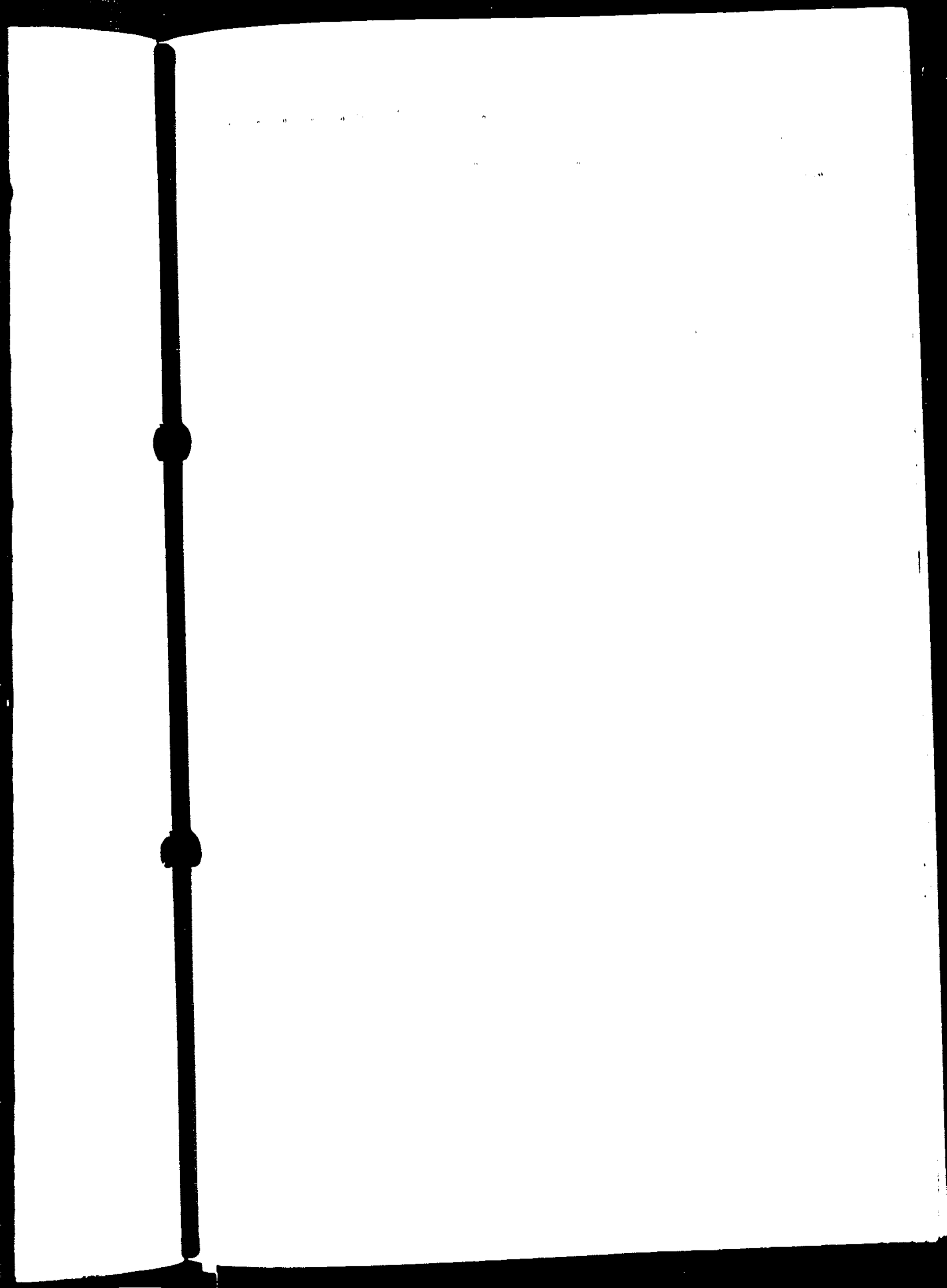
2,004 tons of garbage and 1,012 tons of refuse were collected. The amount of garbage collected was 2,637 tons. The amount of refuse collected was 1,012 tons.

4. Electricity

Electricity was used for street lighting, police cars, fire trucks, and other city property. The amount of electricity used was 1,000,000 kilowatt hours.

5. Public Works

The Public Works Department has been successful in its efforts to improve the city's appearance and to provide a better environment for the citizens. The amount of work done was 1,000,000 hours.



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Moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Adams that the amendment as prepared by the City Solicitor be read and passed a first time and referred to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

REZONING CHARLES, MAYNARD, CREIGHTON & WEST STREETS AREA

This matter was again deferred until the next regular meeting of the City Council.

DATES LYNCH SHOWS

Read letter from W. P. Lynch requesting show dates June 7-19 and if show were delayed June 14-26 and also a later showing of July 26-31.

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

CITY MANAGER'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT FOR MARCH

A report was submitted from the City Manager for the month of March and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

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

FILED

STATISTICAL REPORT PREFAB HOUSES

FOUNDATIONS No advances were made during the month of March 1954.

Total Advances for Foundations to date - \$1,005,990.49.

There are only two foundations not fully completed, but the work on these is well advanced and as soon as the weather will permit we hope to be able to report their completion.

CASH SALES 183 of which 182 have completed their foundations, and only four of these borrowed from us. Two borrowings have since been repaid.

ACCOUNTS CURRENT 632 of which 177 are at the rate of 5% Interest and 455 @ 5½%.

BANK OVERDRAFT Balance as at February 27, 1954 - \$ 840,455.70

Balance as at March 31, 1954 - 810,539.37

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(Decrease over previous months \$ 29,915.33)

INSTALMENT PAYMENTS IN ARREARS TWO MONTHS OR MORE

48 Accounts totalling \$ 5,134.99

(Improvement over previous month - 15 accounts less)
(and \$ 1,529.20 in the amount of arrears)

L. G. Fraser,
ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

POLL TAX COLLECTIONS

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the Finance and Executive Committee,
From: P. L. M. Romkey, Deputy Commissioner of Finance
Date: April 12, 1954

Gentlemen:

I enclose herewith report from the City Collector covering Poll Tax collections for the quarter ending March 31, 1954.

This report shows a decrease of \$1,110.61, over the same period in 1953.

Yours very truly,

P. L. M. Romkey,
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

F I L E D

ANNUAL REPORT ASSESSMENT DEPARTMENT

The Assessment Report for the year 1954 was submitted.

F I L E D

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

Meeting adjourned.

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R. A. Donahoe

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

W. P. Publicover
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CITY CLERK.