

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

FRIDAY

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FOR INFORMATION ONLY

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EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.,
November 12, 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, Macdonald, 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, J.L. Leitch, 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.

MINUTES

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

PUBLIC HEARING RE: BUILDING LOTS GORSEBROOK

A Public Hearing for the purpose of considering the matter of developing 18 building lots for single family dwellings on a proposed street through a portion of the Gorsebrook grounds was held at this time.

His Worship the Mayor: "There has been another public hearing on this matter sponsored by the Community Planning Association of which 4 Home and School Associations were invited and at least 6 members of Council and I appeared at that meeting and listened to the discussion that took place. I hope there need be no necessity for extended remarks at this meeting tonight. We might have the City Manager's report read".

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Alderman Vaughan: "It has been sent to the Aldermen".

His Worship the Mayor: "Ottawa has said it is no longer interested in the acquisition of this land. I would like to go on record that if Ottawa has changed its point of view neither the City Manager nor I have been advised to that effect. W.C. Godson has said so far as the R.C.A.F. here is concerned, no such word has been forthcoming."

Alderman Lane arrives 8:10 P.M.

Reports were submitted from the City Manager dated October 7 and November 8, 1954 respectively concerning this subject. Copies of the same were furnished the members of Council for their information.

Mr. Gordon Black appeared in opposition to the land being subdivided and submitted a resolution duly passed at a public meeting held at St. Francis School Auditorium on Wednesday, November 3, 1954 as follows:

COPY OF A RESOLUTION PASSED AT A PUBLIC MEETING HELD AT ST. FRANCIS SCHOOL AUDITORIUM ON WEDNESDAY THE 3RD DAY OF NOVEMBER A.D. 1954 RELATING TO THE PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD AT CITY HALL ON FRIDAY THE 12TH DAY OF NOVEMBER A.D. 1954 FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING THE MATTER OF DEVELOPING 18 BUILDING LOTS FOR SINGLE FAMILY DWELLINGS ON A PROPOSED STREET THROUGH A PORTION OF THE GORSEBROOK GROUNDS COMPRISING ABOUT 4 ACRES.

On Motion duly made and seconded, it was resolved that this meeting is of opinion that the Gorsebrook area be maintained as land zoned for park and institutional purposes.

It is further resolved that this meeting is opposed to any further encroachment by the City, the Royal Canadian Air Force or any other person or body corporate on the Gorsebrook property.

It is further resolved that the reasons for opposing the said development attached to this Resolution and forming part of it be forwarded to City Council and that they are hereby approved as read.

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Alderman Dunlop: "At that meeting the discussion was mostly entirely on the question of recreation mostly to do with the Washington St. area. There are 2 lots on Inglis Street which I feel are in an entirely different position than the 16 lots. Are those people opposed to the sale of the 2 lots fronting on Inglis Street? I think they could be disposed of. Has Mr. Black any information on those 2 lots?"

Mr. Black: "The 2 lots are part of the 18. As to the desirability of selling those 2 lots; in the first place Mr. Donovan Recreation Director, in his present plan, with respect to certain playground materials, would be to put them just where those 2 lots are. I don't know whether St. Francis School will be expanded in that direction or not. Is the School so close so as to constitute a hazard if you put houses there? That particular question was not discussed at that meeting but I can point out that the meeting was opposed to any further development of any part of the Gorsebrook property. I think there are several good reasons for not selling those particular lots. I must oppose even those 2 lots being subdivided and sold. I am representing those people and they strongly feel that Gorsebrook remain in its present state".

Alderman Dunlop: "As far as I am aware no report has come to this Council nor the Recreation Commission from Mr. Donovan on this. I think before any City Official, at any City meeting should express views on City property, the proper thing for him to do is to make representations to us".

His Worship the Mayor: "The City Manager's memo shows that at the last part of August they say they need a portion of that land".

Alderman DeWolf: "In 1949 the Council advertised those lots for sale and there were tenders on them and they were about to be awarded when the opposition from the area was so great the City Council held it up and determined unanimously that the land would be held for recreation purposes".

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His Worship the Mayor then asked if anyone were in favor of the subdivision to which there was no reply.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the application for rezoning be rejected and the land remain zoned as Park and Institutional and that the Recreation Commission produce some plans for the future development of the area.

Alderman Lloyd asked that the School Board inspect the back yard of the Gorsebrook School.

The motion was put and passed.

PUBLIC HEARING Re: BUILDING LINE CUNARD AND WINDSOR STREETS

A Public Hearing into the matter of relocating the Building Line at the Northeast corner of Cunard and Windsor Streets as shown on Plan RR-2-12849 for the purpose of extending the building known at the Olympic Gardens, was held at this time.

Nobody appeared either for or against.

The following resolution was then submitted:

W H E R E A S the Committee on Works at a Meeting held on the 14th day of October, A.D., 1954, did recommend that the building line at the Northeast corner of Cunard and Windsor Streets be altered;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of Section 543A of the City Charter public notice of the intention to alter the building line at the Northeast corner of Windsor and Cunard Streets, has been given by advertisement inserted at least once a week for two successive weeks in a newspaper published in the City, the first of such notices having been published at least three clear weeks before the 12th day of November, A.D. 1954, that being the day appointed by the City Council to consider the matter;

AND WHEREAS the said notice stated the intention of the Council to alter the said building line at the Northeast corner of Cunard and Windsor Streets, and the date of the meeting of the Council appointed for the consideration of the matter, and that

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The plan showing such alterations may be inspected at the office of the Commissioner of Works at any time during office hours up to the day so appointed for consideration of the matter;

AND WHEREAS the Council has considered the said matter and has determined to alter the said building line in the manner set out on said plan filed in the Office of the Commissioner of Works as No. RR-2-12849;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that pursuant to the authority in it vested by Section 543A of the City Charter as aforesaid, the building line at the Northeast corner of Cunard and Windsor Streets for approximately a distance of seventy-five (75) feet along the north side of Cunard Street be altered in the manner and form as shown on Plan No. ⁻²⁻RR12849, on file in the Office of the Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN AHERN Re: FAIRVIEW UNDERPASS

Alderman Ahern: "This matter was before the Committee on Works and a plan was submitted. I will withdraw that motion because it would complicate the plan as presented at the Committee on Works".

Alderman Ahern then withdrew his motion.

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: November 9, 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 & Accounting	Central Mortgage & Housing	25% share of Expend- itures on Federal- Provincial Project for $\frac{1}{4}$ ending September 30, 1954	\$4,251.62

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Various Departments	Might Directories Atlantic Ltd.	City Directories	1,045.00
Finance Stores	L.E. Shaw, Limited	Concrete Sewer Pipe	700.20
Works	Municipal Spraying & Contracting Ltd.	Crushed Run Gravel	2,066.30
Works	M. Van Waveren & Sons N.V.	Narcissus & Tulip Bulbs	625.25
Works	Walker & Hall Ltd.	Joining Private Walks with Main Sidewalk on Romans Ave. & Federal Ave.	<u>541.27</u> \$9,29.64

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

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

CLAIM FORT MASSEY CHURCH \$139.00

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: October 25th, 1954.
Subject: Claim Re Boiler Flooding - Fort Massey Church.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 21st, 1954, a claim from Fort Massey Church, amounting to \$139.00, for damage caused by the flooding of their boiler room, was considered.

The committee recommended that this claim be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

Per..J.B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

CLAIM MRS. E.F. BOUDREAU \$179.45

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members
of the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: October 25th, 1954.
Subject: Claim Re; Basement Flooding- Mrs. E.F. Boudreau, 82
Queen Street.

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At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 21st, 1954, the attached report from the City Solicitor relative to a claim from Mrs. E.F. Boudreau, amounting to \$179.45, for damage caused by the backing up of a sewer into her basement apartment at #82 Queen Street, was considered.

The committee recommended that this claim be paid.

Alderman Dunlop against.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per..J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Alderman Dunlop: "I feel that claim should not be paid. That claim was not inspected nor appraised and in my opinion there was no adequate investigation taken. Water backed up during a heavy rain. I don't believe that apartment was constructed in compliance with the Charter. I don't think an occupancy permit was issued. There was not even an affidavit supporting the claim".

City Solicitor: "I believe we are liable for damages. The amount of the damages I have discussed with the person and I took their word for it. I would be quite satisfied that an affidavit be obtained. Before the money is paid I can require the claimant to swear to it. The place was flooded and it took some time after for the City to find out what caused the flood. There was some delay until we could find out what caused it. I was satisfied that there was a liability on the City. I accepted the word of the claimant".

Alderman Lloyd: "You are satisfied as to the reasonableness of the claim?"

City Solicitor: "Yes but I did not examine the goods themselves".

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

Alderman Macdonald felt that in future the City Officials should take steps to see that an accurate inventory of damages is taken when claims arise.

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City Manager: "I will take the responsibility for not having been down to examine the goods".

The motion was put and passed with Alderman Dunlop wishing to be recorded against.

PROGRESS PAYMENT J.M. CLEMINSHAW & CO

Halifax, N.S.,
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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 for payment an account of the J.M. Cleminshaw Company amounting to \$14,280.00 for services rendered in connection with re-assessment.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

UNDERSIZED LOT #35 BEAUFORT AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of
City Council.
From: Town Planning Board.
Date: October 25th, 1954.
Subject: Lot 35 - Beaufort Avenue - Application to Build on
Undersize Lot.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on October 21st, 1954, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer in regard to an application from Mr. B.B. Beaumont and F.J. Bruhm for permission to erect a single family dwelling on Lot 35 - Beaufort Avenue, was considered.

The Board recommended that the application be not granted.

Alderman Ahern against.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per.. J.B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

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UNDERSIZED LOT 88 MORRIS STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of
the City Council.
From: Town Planning Engineer.
Date: November 8th., 1954.
Subject: Request to build an Eight Apartment Unit on an Undersize
Lot at 88 Morris Street.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on November 4th., considered the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer relative to a request from R.W. Ferguson for permission to erect an eight bachelor apartment unit on an undersize lot at 88 Morris Street.

The Board recommended that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per..J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

City Manager: "The Greek Church is objecting to the side yard on their side being cut from 10 feet to 3 feet".

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board for further consideration and report. Motion passed.

HOUSING AUTHORITY OF HALIFAX

City Manager: "We had a discussion of this subject about raising the rental ceiling at the Finance and Executive Committee. Mr. Haley said there was nothing pressing on this. I think it needs quite a bit of study."

His Worship the Mayor: "I thought we voted against increasing the ceiling. The discussion arose in the Finance and Executive Committee because previously there was no opportunity for the Housing Authority to express its views. I considered it in the nature of an information session.

Alderman Lloyd: "It was pointed out that there were some meetings being held by the Tenants' Association and representations could be made to Council by the Tenants."

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Alderman Ahern: "In the paper very serious charges were made at that meeting. We should ask the Housing Authority to take note of those charges at that meeting".

Alderman Vaughan: "I attended the meeting in Westmount School and I think that many of the matters arising out of that meeting will be ironed out by the Authority. I think we might wait until the Tenants' Association have had an opportunity to meet with the Authority."

His Worship the Mayor: "If we get representations from the Tenants' Association channelled through the Authority there will be a public hearing on it".

Alderman Kitz felt if there were a representative present from the Tenants' Association, he could be heard.

Alderman Hatfield: "The Authority should be present here".

Alderman Lane: "We are only one governing body in this episode. It should be emphasized that we are the smaller partner in the deal. Why we are being held 100% responsible by the tenants is what is puzzling me".

Mr. Earl Hamlin of the Bayers Road Project was present and was asked by His Worship the Mayor if he were present at the request of the Association to express any opinion to which he replied in the negative.

His Worship the Mayor stated that if there were to be any hearing and the Authority criticized for its conduct it should be present when the hearing was held.

Mr. Hamlin said he felt the Association should meet with the Authority.

His Worship the Mayor: "After you have discussed the matter with the Authority and if there are representations you wish to make, we will arrange an opportunity and at that meeting the other partners can be present."

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Mr. Smith: "The Housing Authority is being run by one member of the Board".

The suggestion of His Worship the Mayor was then approved.

SEWER EXTENSION OXFORD & MAXWELL STREETS

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the Committee on Works recommending sewer extensions for Lot #6-8 Claremont Subdivision Oxford Street and Lot #4 on Maxwell Street, at an estimated cost of \$16,000.00.

A report was also submitted from the City Manager recommending against this extension until there is an offer for substantial assistance from those who benefit most.

It was decided to recommend that the extensions be made and an opinion obtained from the Public Service Commission, as to whether they can co-operate with the City in extending the water.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Dunlop: "If the Public Service Commission are prepared to put the water in the same time as the sewer, I will withdraw my objection".

Mr. West: "The Manager stated he did not think the Commission would put water in there this year. We have no official word on that".

City Manager: "The report was that they would not put water in this year. The street will have to be built up and after settlement, because of the fill, the Public Service Commission will be prepared to put the water in".

Mr. West: "It is not feasible from an engineering point of view to put the water in. It has to be filled to a certain height. It has to settle to a certain degree. The Public Service Commission would not recommend it and neither would we. I don't think it would be wise to put the sewer in without the water. The sewer and water has to go hand in hand."

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Alderman Lloyd: "Suppose we delay the sewer and wait till next year, we will have the same problem all over. You have to begin somewhere."

City Manager: "Mr. Macnab said he would be against putting the water in this year".

Alderman Ahern: "If Mr. Macnab is not going to co-operate the City Solicitor should be instructed to appear before the Public Utility Board and find out why".

Alderman Kitz: "They will lay a line if it will pay its way. I suggest the Manager apply formally to the Public Service Commission to obtain a view for the next meeting".

Alderman Lloyd: "It should be explained to the Commission we find ourselves in an awkward position and we should proceed with the sewer".

His Worship the Mayor: "The Commission has not had an opportunity to meet on it as yet."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for investigation and report back to Council. Motion passed.

CITY MANAGER'S VACATION

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and
Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: October 25, 1954.
Subject: City Manager's Vacation.

Approximately one-half of my vacation was taken in May. With Council's permission, I would like to take the rest of it from December 6, 1954 - December 15, 1954.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
City Manager

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

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CITY MANAGER'S CONVENTION

Alderman Macdonald: "I understand there has been an invitation to the City Manager to attend a convention in St. Petersburg, Florida. I don't know whether the dates of his vacation coincide with the convention but I think it would be of great value to the City to have him attend this convention".

City Manager: "I am going to go anyway. I would naturally prefer to go as a delegate from the City rather than on my own. Every City should co-operate in the work of an Association."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that a sum not exceeding \$400.00 be granted the City Manager for the purpose of attending the City Manager's Convention in St. Petersburg, Florida as a delegate of the City of Halifax.

Alderman Kitz: "I think we have to make a stand sometime on conventions. I think we should have a policy whereby our senior personnel do not go each year to conventions. I don't think industry generally, when they have a policy, permit annual conventions. The Manager went to a convention one year ago. We paid for the Manager to go to Windsor. To pay for a trip to St. Petersburg a few months later, I feel I cannot agree with. Let it not rebound against the policy that we have been trying to build up".

Alderman Dunlop: "He went to Windsor at the request of Council and not on his own request. I think he would gain much more if he attended his own body".

Alderman Lloyd: "In view of the fact that he is going to take the time on his holidays, I feel it is fair to make a contribution towards his expenses".

The City Manager stated that he had become acquainted with the different Mayors while at the Mayors' Convention but he specifically referred to some person to help the delegates with resolutions. He said that possibly next year the City Clerk or City Solicitor might be there to screen the resolutions to ascertain which ones would be of benefit to this City.

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The motion was put and passed with Alderman Kitz wishing to be
seconded against.

LAND SALE ACCOUNT

By: His Worship R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and
Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: October 29, 1954.
Subject: Land Sale Account.

At the May, 1954 Council meeting Alderman DeWolf raised certain questions concerning responsibility for the Land Sale Account. An analysis has been prepared and City Council at its September 16 meeting approved of certain Journal entries segregating the various elements of the proceeds.

The general responsibility as a matter of administration should be in the hands of the City Manager. Only one receipt from the sale of land has occurred since the last report. This is the proceeds of the sale of 80 Market Street. I have prepared a schedule of the various credits due accounts for this tax sale land. The balance of the proceeds will be a credit to the land sale account. After the pattern is set for a few transactions, I will expect the Finance Department to handle these as a matter of routine.

The City Manager should also have a responsibility for use of Land Sale Account proceeds. There has been a tendency to use the Land Sale Account when other funds are not available. The fact that a proposed expenditure is a capital one is not justification for use of the Land Sale Account. I refer specifically to the \$60,000.00 used to purchase library books and \$25,000.00 for lights for the Wanderers' field.

Nothing goes into the Land Sale Account but the proceeds from land sales and nothing should come out unless it is being used to acquire land.

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

The City Manager advised that this report was in answer to a request from Alderman DeWolf respecting the responsibility of the Account. He pointed out he would have a responsibility for making recommendations with regard to the use of the Account.

He felt that since nothing went into the Account except money from the sale of land nothing should go out of it unless it were to acquire land.

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

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LAKEVIEW CEMETERY LAND BETWEEN ST. ANDREWS SCHOOL & BAYERS ROAD

Alderman Vaughan: "Could we discuss the land fronting on Lakeview Cemetery between St. Andrews School and Bayers Road. The School Board was most anxious to have that developed. Mr. Snook prepared a plan and he sent a copy to me and filed a copy with the Manager. The Board wants to put a wire fence around the burial plots. I expressed the hope that the Land Sale Account would be available for the improvements. I felt this would be a good time to introduce the matter. The principle amount involved is for the fence around the burial plots".

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the City Manager proceed this matter and secure an estimate of the cost from the Engineering Department and report back at the next meeting of Council with the suggestion that the funds be secured from the Land Sale Account. Motion passed.

SUPERANNUATION

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date concurred in the attached report under date of October 29, 1954 respecting Superannuation.

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: October 29, 1954.
Subject: Superannuation.

The sub-committee appointed to consider the matter of a request from Mrs. Ella Hoganson, Widow of the late G.P. Hoganson for an annual allowance met on the above date and agreed to make the following recommendations.

1. That under the authority of legislation obtained at the last session of the Legislature, Mrs. Hoganson be paid at the rate of \$840.50 annually being 50% of \$1,699.00, the sum her late husband was receiving from the Firemens Superannuation Fund at the time of his death.

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2. That Wm. M. Mercer Ltd. be engaged to appraise the operation of the superannuation fund and confer with us on the matter of overlapping of benefits.

Alderman John E. Lloyd,

Alderman Charles A. Vaughan.

Alderman Vaughan: "They are the logical persons to examine the plan now".

His Worship the Mayor: "It was understood that when a 5 year period had elapsed they were to make a re-appraisal of it".

Alderman Vaughan: "This is the proper time to do it and they are the proper people to examine it".

Alderman Ahern: "At what cost?".

His Worship the Mayor: "If it is over \$500.00 it will be brought before this Council for approval."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved but before the firm of Wm. Mercer Ltd. is engaged, the City Manager inquire from them their rates, terms and conditions. Motion passed.

PROVINCIAL GRANT-SCHOOL BUILDINGS

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and
Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: October 29, 1954.
Subject: Provincial Grant - School Buildings.

When His Worship and a special Council committee waited upon the Provincial Government they were informed the government had in mind a special school grant to the cities of Halifax and Sydney to reimburse them in part for considerable expenditures which happened to fall in a period when no funds were available for assistance. The sum of \$500,000 was mentioned for Halifax.

At a subsequent meeting with Mr. Fielding, he indicated the nature of the information desired and the following will be sent to him. It is presented to Council to see if they have any ideas to be added.

Dear Mr. Minister:-

Attached is a tabulation of the \$7,495,342.44 spent by the City of Halifax on schools from April 14, 1949 to September 1, 1954 and a forecast of further expenditures beyond that date (Table I).

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The amount of \$4,569,785.04 was further analyzed in Table II to apportion the amount for junior and senior high school construction.

If there is any further information you require, we will be happy to furnish it.

Very truly yours,

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

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

REPORT T.B. HOSPITALIZATION ACROSS CANADA

November 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 it was agreed to recommend that copies of the attached report respecting Tuberculosis Treatment be forwarded to the Premier of Nova Scotia and the Minister of Health.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

ROOF BEDFORD ROW FIRE STATION

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

Date: November 8th., 1954.

Subject: Bedford Row Fire Station - Roof.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 4th., considered the attached report from the City Manager recommending acceptance of Nova Scotia Waterproofer's bid of \$2986.00 for repairing the roof of Bedford Row Fire Station.

The Committee approved same.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per. J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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The City Manager stated that after the contract had been approved by the Committee on Works another contractor had approached him for the work.

He then recommended to Council that the roof be not proceeded with at this time and that the two contractors who had been interested in this matter be requested to give an estimate on what it would take to fix the skylights and sloping roof over the stairway.

He mentioned a figure of \$200.00 from Jas. Donohue Ltd.

He recommended the temporary repairs for the winter and in the spring complete specifications for the roof would be drawn up.

Alderman DeWolf: "Is it not true that some official ordered this work be done?"

Mr. West: "The contractor was told by someone other than myself but he was told before the materials were processed through the suppliers. I explained the situations to him and asked if he would mind cancelling his orders".

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the City Manager's recommendation be approved.

Alderman Dunlop: "I was assured the N.S. Waterproofers were a competent firm and able to complete the job. We were informed that no tenders were received from anyone else. Something must be wrong when at this stage the City says the specifications are not complete. I don't think it is fair to the man. We are now told that a temporary job will last for the winter pending complete specifications. I understood the specifications covered copper roofing".

His Worship the Mayor: "What was wrong with our specifications?"

Alderman Dunlop: "I think this man who put his tender in was the lowest of all tenders received. If the Manager slipped up, I don't think it is very fair to have the tenders reopened again".

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City Manager: "I was informed that when the bids were brought to me that one of the tenderers did not tender on the whole job. I asked if the complete specifications of the successful bidder had also been submitted to the other firms. I find it was never submitted to them because the bidder could not submit that because his price was on it.

The roof needs to be done. If this were July we would be taking complete tenders to have the whole job done".

Alderman Dunlop: "Wasn't it known that we were in the winter months. At the Committee on Works you and your Department were willing to proceed with the roof".

City Manager: "The other tenderer did not get a fair chance to bid on this job. I want our own engineers to draw up our specifications and not specifications lifted from a particular tenderer and made to apply to another tenderer".

Alderman Dunlop: "I am confused about this matter more than ever. I find now we have no specifications".

City Manager: "One tenderer did not have the same specifications as the other."

The motion was then put and passed.

FAIRVIEW CEMETERY ORDINANCE & CHARGES

November 8, 1954.

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

A report from the City Manager respecting "Fairview Cemetery - Ordinance & Charges" was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was decided to recommend that a committee consisting of Aldermen Lloyd, MacMillan and Dunlop be appointed to confer with representatives of the Ministerial Association on this matter and report to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 12, 1954.

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

RESOLUTION CITY OF WINDSOR, ONTARIO Re: FOOD COMMODITIES

November 8, 1954.

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

A resolution adopted by the City of Windsor, Ontario, respecting the disposition of food commodities held in storage by the Federal Government, was read at a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date.

It was decided to recommend that the resolution be filed.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

RETIREMENT MR. ROSS HALL

November 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, a report was submitted from the Retirement Committee advising that Mr. John Ross Hall had been retired effective as from December 31, 1954 at an annual allowance of \$813.83.

It was decided to recommend that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature, enabling the City to pay Mr. John Ross Hall an annual allowance of \$386.17 in addition to the amount he is entitled to receive from the Superannuation Plan.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS GROUP LIFE INSURANCE

November 8, 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 forward the attached report from the City Manager respecting "Group Life Insurance" to City Council without recommendation.

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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: November 8, 1954.

Subject: Group Life Insurance.

In order to further assist City Council with information and to enable further study each company was requested to give the figures for the volume for the City of Halifax policy (\$2,362,500), death loss of 65% of the annual premium for 10 years past, and 10 years in the future.

The purpose of these questions was to get the reverse side of the retention figures given.

8 companies submitted figures for both periods, 3 other companies submitted figures for the 10 years in the future, and 1 for 5 years in the future. 2 companies were unable to submit figures.

These companies have their figures analyzed below.

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The Metropolitan Life Insurance did not furnish figures for the last ten years based on the 1954 dividend formula. Great-West Life Assurance Company also submitted figures for the next ten years only.

The Prudential Insurance Company of America did not answer the questions, but did give the experience of a company writing a policy in 1943 in which the average amount was \$2,484,180 and the average death claim 64.2%. The average net annual premium was \$32,090.00 which would not be the same kind of an average as the other averages given in the table.

The Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada did not supply information requested, but did have information on certain years, but it would be impossible to compare it with the other companies without making certain assumptions.

Considering the eight companies who submitted figures for the two ten-year periods, I have the following comments to make.

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Prudential Assurance Company Ltd. of Montreal have annual premiums starting from 33,070.00 in 1944 to 17,831.00 in 1963. The average of the ten years 1944-1953 is 28,752.40 drops to 22,316.00 for the second ten years (1954-1963). I do not know the premium for 1955 of \$24,476.00 is the first year drops to 22,316.00 for 1954 in the second group when they recorded the high initial cost of writing a policy.

North American Life Assurance Company has a normal pattern for the past 10 year period, and the same premium for every one of the next 10 years. In addition, the 1953 premium is larger than the 1954 initial premium for the second ten years.

It is difficult to comment on the Marine Life Maritime tender, since of the remaining five, it is the only company with a relatively level premium. Since they are consistent for the twenty years, I find no objection in that.

By the process of elimination, the choice narrows down to London Life, Canada Life, Manufacturers Life, Imperial Life and Green Life.

All these companies have given all information asked for except that Manufacturers Life did not give the retention for the past 10 years.

I can find no reason why the Crown Life had a higher average for the second ten-year period than the first ten-year period, except that they are ultra-conservative.

Manufacturers Life has the second lowest retention for the past 10 years, would have had the lowest premium for the past ten years, and rank third in their estimate for the next ten years. I would recommend acceptance of their tender.

In requesting additional figures on October 1, it was stated "The estimates.....could be used in the future for the successful company in comparing the estimate and actual charges."

A.A. DeBaré, Jr.,
City Manager.

The City Manager submitted a further report on the tenders for insurance dated November 12, 1954 as follows:

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

From: City Manager, A.A. DeBaré, Jr.

Date: November 12, 1954.

Subject: Life Insurance.

The following memorandum on this subject is necessary because of the "error" in listing the premiums of the North American Life Assurance Co., and to call attention upon some opinions contained in material from the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company which apparently was not shown to Anderson.

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1. The North American Life figures I used for the period 1954 - 1963 were intended to show the premiums for the 11th to 20th years for a policy written in 1944. This information was not asked for and would have been additional information had the North American given the information in the form asked. Because they did not, I misinterpreted what they did give in their letter.

In their original proposal, the North American did not indicate the volume of the policy. In their letter of October 5, 1954 they revealed for the first time they had used a volume of \$2,555,000.00 for the insurance in force. In a revision they sent me dated November 9, 1954 they used a volume of \$2,362,500.00. The figures follow:

1944	\$22,800.00	1954	\$22,800.00
1945	22,800.00	1955	22,800.00
1946 -		1956 -	
1953	17,168.00 each yr.	1963	17,168.00 each yr.
Avg.	18,294.40	Avg.	18,294.40

By using the same figures for the two ten-year periods, the North American Life Assurance Company are saying that returns on investments and expenses are the same for both periods, and I find that hard to believe.

2. Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Mr. D.C. Buell wrote Mr. Macdonald, Manager of the Halifax office saying, "We were asked to assume that over this ten-year period the same number of lives were insured as are currently employed, that there was a level claim rate and no change in the benefits during this period. We did not make this calculation since we feel the assumptions are unrealistic, and furthermore such a calculation might be misleading".

Mr. Buell, a vice-president, points out their dividend formula is changed twice a year and that war conditions affected the last ten-year period including war risk on employees continued in groups while in service.

*Later on he says, "Past performance in its Group Division as a whole and as shown in published statements we think is the best indication as to what company may be expected to provide Group Insurance at the lowest cost".

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, in a separate brief, is pointing out that an assumption of 65% of annual premium works against the company with high gross premiums. This is a point I did not realize since I did not think the variation in gross premium would be so great. The high gross premium results in such a company have the use of the policyholder's money for a time, and some measure of interest cost might be assessed against that company.

3. I am under the impression that American and Canadian companies do not use the same experience tables and this may account for the higher premiums of the Prudential Insurance Company of America and Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

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4. May I also explain that a company is "penalized" by not answering the questions asked only in the sense that a comparison between the actual experience of the past ten years cannot be made with their forecast for the next ten years.

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

The City Manager briefly went over the steps leading up to the present time and stated that the thing the City was primarily interested in was the retention figure. He said most companies could tell him what the past had been if they could not tell what their future costs would be. By an examination of the figures he would arrive at some kind of a pattern between the same companies for the same period. He felt the past would be some indication of the future.

Alderman Lloyd: "By going back you had a basis for forecasting the future. If we select an insurance company this year it is most unwise for us to change another year and another year because the acquisition costs would run our net costs up to a very high degree. It is practical for us to say, that whoever is selected will be continued for many years to come. The past 10 years was an indication as to whether or not the first year's premium is conservative. By the first 10 years' costs, you have some indication of the future costs".

Alderman Kitz: "Did you arbitrarily take a 65 year claim rate?"

City Manager: "In talking to various companies they indicated to me that the losses ran to 65 or 70 percent of the premium. The cost is going to be approximately the same and nobody can tell you what the cost is going to be".

Alderman Lane: "In Committee the other day I made a statement with which you did not agree and the City Manager was not inclined to be happy. I do have an expression of opinion regarding certain elements of the questionnaire."

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Alderman Lane then read two paragraphs from a letter from the Regional Group Manager Sun Life Assurance Company addressed to the Company's Manager here as follows:-

In the first place, whoever recommended the questionnaire and set it up undoubtedly did so with the definite purpose in mind of adding not only an element of confusion but of creating impressions which are not only meaningless but far-fetched to say the least. The purpose of the estimator is readily obvious and the results are totally misleading to the uninitiated.

Our company never has and I hope never will operate on the retention basis. The inequities and iniquities of such a practise have been clearly demonstrated even to the point where this system is not countenanced in the States on account of the many inherent abuses that are involved. As a matter of fact the practise of operating on a retention basis proved so vicious that a movement is on foot in the United States to legally abolish this type of underwriting. Unfortunately some of the American companies operating in Canada have adopted similar tactics and a few Canadian companies are following suit so it may take a little time for the Canadian authorities to catch up with the situation and rectify it.

Alderman Lane: "Are you prepared to accept a motion or do you want the recommendation of the City Manager put first?"

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Allen that the Group Life Insurance policy for the employees of the City of Halifax be split 4 ways between the Canada Life, Sun Life, Metropolitan Life and Maritime Life associated with the London Life.

Alderman Lloyd suggested that any company whose representative is here and who wishes to criticize our procedure be now invited to do so.

City Manager: "Whoever devised those questions had done so to confuse, is not so. As a layman I was approaching the problem in the best manner I could."

His Worship the Mayor: "The majority of questions asked were arrived at after a conference with all the companies here."

Alderman Lane: "No one company is going to benefit. I feel this has expressed my feeling on retention. I agree with Alderman Lloyd we should hear what other companies feel about it."

Alderman Vaughan: "On a matter like this to a person not qualified to judge, I am going to put myself completely in the hands of the City Manager and accept his recommendation without fear of criticism."

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Alderman Dunlop: "When the matter was referred to the Manager he said he was not an insurance expert. Persons expert in this field should be engaged was the thought expressed at that time. He was asked to tabulate certain figures and to recommend".

Alderman DeWolf: "Have we any official indication that 4 companies are willing to divide the business?"

Alderman Lane: "I have no assurance of that. In my opinion it is a fair amount of business divided 4 ways and I think they would be quite content."

Alderman DeWolf: "I would like to give it to them all. We do that with fire and automobile insurance. Why not divide it amongst 14. I would like to find out if it is acceptable to have it divided by 4 or 14."

It was then agreed to hear the representatives of the various companies.

Mr. D.O. Robertson, Manager of the North American Life Insurance Company, stated that in his Company's submission the figure of \$19,695.98 should have been \$18,294.40 which was the lowest of any Company. Also the figure 80 cents as the basic rate per \$1,000.00. "Had the City Manager that statement before him at the last meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee, he would have been in a position to show that the North American Life Company was first in all departments. Alderman Lane seems to be more interested with the feelings of the Insurance Companies than with the taxpayers. In our letter of October 5th. to the Manager, we stated not only what the cost would be for the first and second year but we also gave him the average of the first 10 years which worked out to be \$18,294.40 and we went beyond that. Because we gave additional information, we were criticized. North American Life is capable of handling it themselves. If you want to bring in another company we would not mind that but beyond that we are not interested. If you want to put in another company, it would be okay providing they accept our rates".

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Alderman Lloyd: "The Sun Life envisaged a contract nailing down rates. Does the Crown Life representative now say that 90% of the companies agree to that?"

Mr. Barber: "No. If you ask them for a retention, none of them can be guaranteed."

Mr. Cavanagh, Metropolitan Life: "I think Mr. DeBard will agree that the figures recently prepared are very misleading not as a direct result of anything Mr. DeBard intended. The same claim rate is going to apply no matter what Company gets this business. I would say all these figures are entirely meaningless. The net cost of this to the City is based on 3 things.

1. The amount of claims paid out.
2. What the Company is going to hold back for its expenses.
3. What the Company is going to set aside for reserves."

Alderman Lloyd: "You contend that the indication of what is to be known in the future can best be determined from the retention in the last 10 years?"

Mr. Cavanagh: "Yes".

Alderman Lane: "This motion was to bring it to a head. I have been accused of having a particular interest in these 4 companies. That statement was made by a man on the floor of this chamber".

Alderman Lloyd: "We should give some consideration to the fact that the City Manager did try to get at the best cost of insurance and how many companies should be in on it is a matter for Council to decide."

Mr. MacIntyre of Maritime and London Life: "I think Mr. DeBard's questions were excellent. I would suggest that the average retention for all companies in the group life business in the last 10 years is not the most important factor".

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Alderman Lloyd: "Would your rate be the same with or without the Maritime Life?"

Mr. MacIntyre: "The same. The rates are those of the London Life. The rates in the submission from Maritime and London Life are London Life rates. The risk will be divided equally."

Alderman Lloyd: "If any 3 companies were joined with Maritime Life what effect would that have on the cost?"

Mr. MacIntyre: "I don't think that would have any real effect on the cost. One would be chosen as the administering company and their rates would be used."

Alderman Ahern: "I would like to see Maritime Life get in there some way. I want to support home industry."

Mr. MacIntyre: "As far as associating with Crown Life and any other Company, London Life would have no objection in teaming up with any one shown."

Alderman Lloyd: "It seems some further study of retention rates for the past years seems to be the course we should follow. Some committee could be appointed to consider the merits of these matters and there is a local company involved."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the Finance and Executive Committee give further consideration, in the light of this discussion, to the submissions and recommendations of the City Manager and also give consideration to the suggestion made by Alderman Lane and recommend to the City Council at its next regular meeting what Company or group of Companies should be entrusted with the group life insurance underwritings for the City of Halifax. Amendment passed.

Alderman Kitz retires 10:40 P.M.

BOXING DAY DECEMBER 1954.

The matter of deciding whether Monday December 27, 1954 would be observed as Boxing Day and declared a public holiday was considered.

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Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Lane that Boxing Day, December 26, 1954 falling on Sunday, Monday December 27th be declared as a public holiday.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Council should decide to either confine the holiday to City Hall or the general public.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the City Offices be closed on Monday, December 27, 1954.

Alderman O'Malley: "I don't think we should rule for all businesses and organizations in the City."

Alderman DeWolf: "Has the Mayor ever declared a holiday in the past? I understand it is not a public holiday unless he declares it. It has to be declared."

Alderman Vaughan: "Is there a question of cost as far as the amendment is concerned?"

City Manager: "If we had a snow storm. If we have the holiday it will cost extra money for garbage."

Alderman Lloyd: "It only happens once in 7 years. No matter what this Council does, every employer will be faced with requests from his staff and he is going to give in and say we will work a skeleton staff on Monday. If we take the lead on it that will settle it. Many people like to take advantage of a holiday in order to join their families in different parts of the Province."

In answer to a question from Alderman Dunlop the City Solicitor read the law respecting holidays for the information of the Council.

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Macdonald
O'Malley
Vaughan
DeWolf
Meriarty
Dunlop

AGAINST IT

Alderman Lloyd
Ahern
Allen
Lane

Alderman Lloyd gives Notice of Reconsideration.

TENDERS FOR LAND

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and
Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: November 9, 1954.
Subject: Tenders for Land - Tabulation

<u>Lot A.</u>	<u>Claremont Street</u>	
	*Charles W. MacIntosh	\$1,600.00
<u>Lot B.</u>	<u>Forrester Street</u>	
	Habley Sand & Gravel Co. Ltd.	1,700.00
	*Ralph Gould	2,600.00
<u>Lot C.</u>	<u>Mumford Road.</u>	
	#Mary Griffiths	500.00
<u>Lot D.</u>	<u>Lot #1 - Doug Smith Drive.</u>	
	John d'Entremont	1,750.00
	D.M. Tingley	1,501.00
	*Leon B. Baccardax	2,600.00
<u>Lot E.</u>	<u>Lot #2 - Doug Smith Drive.</u>	
	Howard F. Blundell	1,800.00
	John d'Entremont	1,850.00
	D.M. Tingley	1,501.00
	*D.B. Nicholson	2,540.00

* Recommended bid.

Recommend rejection

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

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

Alderman Dunlop: "With respect to the Mumford Road lot we
should re-advertise it and put a minimum bid on it."

City Manager: "I can bring it to Committee on Works."

TENDERS FOR GROCERIES, FISH ETC.

CITY OF HALIFAX

NOVA SCOTIA

TABULATION OF GROCERY TENDERS
FOR

HALIFAX TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

HOSPITAL, CITY HOME AND CITY PRISON.

November 12, 1954.

<u>GROUPS</u>	<u>HOWARD'S LIMITED</u>	<u>SCOTIA FLOUR & FEED CO. LTD.</u>
<u>Group 1.</u> Canned & Dry Fruits, Jams and Juices	\$4752.06 X	No Bid
<u>Group 2.</u> Canned & Dry Vegetables,	\$2657.59 X	No Bid
<u>Group 3.</u> Canned Soup, Bottled Sauces, Chow & Pickles Canned Fish	\$3679.32	\$3638.11 X
<u>Group 4.</u> Cereals, Coffee, Tea, Flour, Sugar, Biscuits, Cheese	\$8404.12 X	\$8409.48
<u>Group 5.</u> Soaps, Cleaning Material	654.66 X	664.72
<u>Group 6.</u> All Other Supplies	\$2152.92	\$2151.89 X

X Indicates lowest group bid,

Howards Limited - Lowest in Groups 1, 2 4 and 5

Scotia Flour & Feed Co. Lowest in Groups 3 and 6.

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

CITY OF HALIFAX
NOVA SCOTIA
TABULATION OF FISH TENDERS.

HALIFAX TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES
HOSPITAL, CITY HOME AND CITY PRISON.

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>"A" BURNS FISH ERIES LTD.</u>	<u>"B" FISHERMAN'S MARKET</u>	<u>"C" BOUTILIER'S</u>	<u>LOW TENDER</u>	<u>PREVIOUS PRICE</u>
Fresh Codfish (Dressed) x .10 Lb.	x .10 Lb.	x .10 Lb.	.11 Lb.	A & B	10¢
Fresh Haddock (Dressed) x .15 "	x .15 "	.17 "	.16 "	A	15¢
Haddock Fillets .28 "	.28 "	.29 "	x .27 "	C	28¢
Cod Fillets .19 "	.19 "	.18 1/2 "	x .18 "	C	19¢
Haddock Steak x .17 "	x .17 "	.23 "	.18 "	A	17¢
Halibut Steak x .40 "	x .40 "	.43 "	.42 "	A	40¢
Cod Steak x .13 "	x .13 "	.17 1/2 "	.14 "	A	13¢
Sole Fillets .35 "	.35 "	.34 1/2 "	x .32 "	C	33¢

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Smoked Cod Fillets	.19 Lb	x .18 Lb	.20 Lb.	B	19¢
Smelts Dressed	x .32 "	.37 "	.33 "	A	32¢
Salmon Frozen	.37 "	.36	x .36 "	B & C	37¢
Fresh Herring (Hds. Off)	x .09 "	.10 "	.10 "	A	09¢
Salt Herring $\frac{1}{2}$ Bbl. No. 1	8.00	x 7.45 "	8.25	B	\$7.00
Dressed Mackerel Fresh Hds. on	x .14 "	x .14 "	.15	A & B	14¢
Kippers	.16 "	.17 "	x .15	C	16¢
Finnan Haddie	x .23 "	.23 $\frac{1}{2}$ "	.24	A	23¢
Cod, Boneless	.28 "	x .27	.29	B	26¢
Codfish, Salt, one under 4 Lbs. 112's	.18 "	x .17	.18 $\frac{1}{2}$	B	15¢
Scallops	.55 "	.54 $\frac{1}{2}$	x .52	C	50¢

X - Recommended Tender.

Individual items of lowest bidder indicated in 4th. Column to right. Two Bidders quote even prices on Fresh Codfish and it is recommended this item be split between Burns Fisheries and Fisherman's Market on a monthly rotation basis. Estimated supply of Codfish required for next 6 months is 2,000 lbs., value of which is \$700.00. The same two Bidders quoted identical prices for Fresh Dressed Mackerel and it is recommended the Tender be split on a monthly rotation basis for this item. Approximately 600 Lbs. are required at a cost of \$84.00.

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

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

TENDERS FOR LICENSE PLATES

CITY OF HALIFAX

TENDERS FOR LICENSE TAGS, BADGES, PLATES, ETC., FOR 1955

FOR

CITY COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>LONDON RUBBER STAMP CO. LTD.</u>	<u>R.R. POWER LIMITED</u>	<u>PRICES</u>
3335 Only Dog Tags	124.85	95.77	95.77
15 " Bill Postage Badges	14.85	14.04	14.04
4000 " Bill Postage Badges	311.17	315.36	315.36

Item #3
Works
November 4, 1954.

CITY OF HALIFAX

TABULATION OF TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES - 1955

APPLICATION OF ROAD OILS, TARS AND LIQUID ASPHALT

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE</u> <u>Per Gal.</u>	<u>PRICE 1954</u> <u>Per Gal.</u>
MUNICIPAL SPRAYING & CONTRACTING LIMITED.	Application - Dust Layer	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	2 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
	Application - Rotar B, Etc.	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢
	Application - Rotar R.T., Etc.	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢	3 $\frac{3}{4}$ ¢

Only Tender Received.

A. A. LeBardeur
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CITY MANAGER

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CITY MANAGER

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SALT

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<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>100 Lb. Bags Salt Delivered At Warehouse</u>	<u>100 Lb. Bags Salt Delivered At City Field</u>	<u>PRICE 1954 100 Lb. Bags</u>
A.M. SMITH & CO. LTD.	.96¢	\$ 1.00	.90¢ (At Warehouse) .96¢ (At City Field)

Only Tender Received.

A. A. LeBardeur
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CITY MANAGER

NOTE - Sample of Salt available at Purchasing Office.

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CRUSHED STONE

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>PRICE</u> <u>Per Ton</u>	<u>PRICE 1954</u> <u>Per Ton</u>
MUNICIPAL SPRAYING & CONTRACTING LIMITED.	No. 1 Passing $3\frac{1}{2}$ " Screen retained on $2\frac{1}{4}$ "	\$1.90	\$1.90
	No. 2 " $2\frac{1}{4}$ " " " " $1\frac{1}{4}$ "	1.95	1.95
	No. 3 " $1\frac{1}{4}$ " " " " $\frac{3}{4}$ "	2.20	2.20
	No. 4 " 1" " " " $\frac{1}{2}$ "	2.15	2.15
	No. 5 " $\frac{1}{2}$ " " " " $\frac{1}{4}$ "	2.25	2.25
	No. 6 " $2\frac{1}{4}$ " " " " $\frac{1}{2}$ "	2.10	2.10
	Special Run of Crusher	1.95	1.95
	Rice Stone	2.25	2.40

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FURNACE OIL, STOVE OIL, BUNKER "A" AND "C"

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>FURNACE OIL</u> <u>Price Per Gal.</u>	<u>STOVE OIL</u> <u>Price Per Gal.</u>	<u>BUNKER "A"</u> <u>Price Per Gal.</u>	<u>BUNKER "C"</u> <u>Price Per Gal.</u>
SUPERLINE OILS LTD.	15.7¢	# 18.6¢	-----	-----
S. CUNARD & CO. LTD.	16.7¢	19.6¢	10.9¢	9.20¢
UNION COAL CO.	16.7¢	19.6¢	-----	-----
IMPERIAL OIL LTD.	# 14.95¢	19.6¢	# 10.24¢	# 8.95¢
ARCHIBALD COAL & OIL LTD.	16.6¢	19.6¢	-----	-----
SEWING OIL CO. LTD.	16.7¢	19.6¢	-----	-----

* Recommended Bid

A. A. Seabard
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CITY MANAGER

Tender Prices - 1954.

Furnace Oil - 15.1¢ Per Gal.
Bunker "C" - 9.40¢ Per Gal.

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RECOMMENDED BID
CITY MANAGER

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SPECIAL CASTINGS

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>Hillis & Sons Limited PRICE PER LB.</u>	<u>Dartmouth Iron Foundry PRICE PER LB.</u>	<u>Prices 1954</u>
CATCHPIT - COVER	.11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢	.10¢	.11¢
" - GRATING	.13¢	.11¢	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
TE BARS	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
MANHOLE COVERS, SEWER SQUARE	.10¢	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
" " TRACK	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
" " COAL HOLE	.10¢	.10¢	.11¢
MANHOLE FRAMES, SEWER SQUARE	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
" " TRACK	.10¢	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.09 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
" " COAL HOLE	.10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.10¢	.11¢
MANHOLE STEPS	.13 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
STREET MONUMENT CASTING	.11¢	.10¢	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
BLOWER GRATES	.11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.11¢	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
ALL OTHER CASTINGS	.12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	.10¢	.12¢

RECOMMENDED TENDER - Dartmouth Iron Foundry.

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SAND AND GRAVEL

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>HUBLEY'S SAND & GRAVEL CO.</u>	<u>NAUGLE SAND & GRAVEL CO.</u>	<u>Price Paid 1954</u>
<u>CONCRETE SAND</u>			
Delivered at Wharf	\$ 3.25 c.y.	\$ 3.40 c.y.	\$ 3.25 c.y.
Delivered at Siding	3.25 c.y.	3.40 c.y.	3.25 c.y.
Delivered at City Field	3.50 c.y.	3.40 c.y.	3.25 c.y.
<u>COARSE SAND</u>			
Delivered at Wharf	3.25 c.y.	3.50 c.y.	3.25 c.y.
Delivered at Siding	3.25 c.y.	3.50 c.y.	3.25 c.y.
Delivered at City Field	3.50 c.y.	3.50 c.y.	3.25 c.y.
<u>GRAVEL</u>			
Delivered at Wharf	2.75 c.y.	#1 - 3.00 c.y.	2.75 c.y.
		#2 - 3.10 c.y.	
		#3 - 3.30 c.y.	
		#4 - 3.50 c.y.	
		#5 - 4.25 c.y.	
Delivered at Siding	2.75 c.y.	#1 - 3.00 c.y.	2.75 c.y.
		#2 - 3.10 c.y.	
		#3 - 3.30 c.y.	
		#4 - 3.50 c.y.	
		#5 - 4.25 c.y.	
Delivered at City Field	3.25 c.y.	#1 - 3.00 c.y.	3.25 c.y.
		#2 - 3.10 c.y.	
		#3 - 3.30 c.y.	
		#4 - 3.50 c.y.	
		#5 - 4.25 c.y.	
<u>FINE SAND</u>			
Delivered at Wharf	2.25 c.y.	2.50 c.y.	2.25 c.y.
Delivered at Siding	2.25 c.y.	2.50 c.y.	2.25 c.y.
Delivered at City Field	2.75 c.y.	2.50 c.y.	2.75 c.y.

Recommended Tender - Hubley's Sand & Gravel Company.

.....*A. A. Seabard*.....
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ASPHALT, TAR, ROAD OILS AND COLD PATCH

TENDERER - IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>PRICE</u>	<u>PRICE 1954</u>
<u>HALT</u>		
MC-1,2,3,4,5. Tank Car	17.35¢ Per Gal. Delivered	17.30¢ (Tank Car Lots)
1,2,3,4,5. Tank Wagon	16.50¢ " " F.O.B. Refinery Imperoyal	
MC-1,2,3,4,5. Drums (Carload)	21.85¢ " " Delivered	
MC-0,1,2,3,4,5. Tank Car	16.85¢ " " Delivered	21.30¢ (Drums Carload Lots)
MC-0,1,2,3,4,5. Tank Wagon	16.00¢ " " F.O.B. Refinery Imperoyal	
MC-0,1,2,3,4,5. Drums (Carload)	21.35¢ " " Delivered	
SC-0,1,2,3,4,5,6. Tank Car	14.05¢ " " Delivered	14.00¢ (Tank Wagon Lots)
SC-0,1,2,3,4,5,6. Tank Wagon	13.20¢ " " F.O.B. Refinery Imperoyal	
SC-0,1,2,3,4,5,6. Drums (Carload)	18.55¢ " " Delivered	
Special Primer (Tank Car)	17.35¢ " " Delivered	
Special Primer (Tank Wagon)	16.50¢ " " F.O.B. Refinery Imperoyal	

Only Tender Received.

A. G. DeBard

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GASOLINE AND OILS, ETC.

ITEM	IRVING OIL CO. LTD.		CANADIAN OIL COS. LTD.		MCCOLL-FRONTENAC OIL CO. LTD.		SHELL OIL CO. LTD.		IMPERIAL OIL LTD.		SUPERLINE OILS LTD.		PRICE 1954
	#		#		#		#		#		#		
GASOLINE		37.40¢ Gal.		36.05¢ Gal.		36.25¢ Gal.				37.10¢ Gal.		37¢ Gal.	37.6¢ Gal.
MARKED GAS		26.70¢ "		37.05¢ "						22.10¢ "		.22¢ "	22.9¢ "
NAPHTHA GAS	#	26.40¢ "								26.40¢ "			26.40¢ "
KEROSENE		24.20¢ "		24.20¢ Gal.		.237¢ Gal.				24.20¢ "		24.4¢ Gal.	24.2¢ "
DIESEL FVTL		17.80¢ "		17.80¢ "						16.80¢ "		17.8¢ "	17.8¢ "
MOTOR OIL (Drums)		.89¢ "	#	79.50¢ "		.87¢ & .89¢ Gal.	\$1.12 Gal.			.88¢ "		.87¢ "	.89¢ "
MOTOR OIL (Quarts)		.26¼¢ Qt.	#	25.00¢ Qt.		.265¢ Qt.	\$1.32 Gal.			.27¢ Qt.	#	.26¢ Qt.	.26¼¢ Qt.
DIESEL ENGINE LUBRICANT #30		\$1.10 Gal.		\$1.15 Gal.		\$1.08 Gal.	\$1.32 "			\$1.09 Gal.	#	\$1.02½ Gal.	\$1.08 Gal.
HOIST OIL		.74¢ "		51.75¢ "		.55¢ "	#	.51¢ "		.52¢ "	#	.51¢ "	51.40¢ "
PUSHING OIL	#	.35¢ "		43.75¢ "		.52¢ "		.44¢ "		.50¢ "	#	.50¢ "	.35¢ "
E.P. LUBRICANT 90 to 140		.16¼¢ Lb.		14.00¢ Lb.		.157¢ Lb.		.162¢ Lb.		\$1.50 Gal.	#	.12¢ Lb.	.12¢ Lb.
HYPOID LUBRICANT 80 to 140		.16¼¢ "	#	14.00¢ "		.137¢ & .157¢ Lb.		.162¢ "		\$1.50 "		.16¼¢ "	.15¢ "
ALL PURPOSE GREASE	#	.16¼¢ "		22.50¢ "		.273¢ Lb.		.262¢ "		21.25¢ Lb.			

RECOMMENDED BIDS
It is recommended the tender of Irving Oil and Imperial Oil be accepted for the supply of Naphtna Gas on a rotation basis.
It is recommended the tender of Shell Oil and Superline Oils be accepted for the supply of Hoist Oil.

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W. C. ...
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ANTHRACITE COAL AND OTHERS

TYPE	NAME	ANTHRACITE COAL AND OTHERS				PRICES 1954
		UNION COAL Per Ton	MATHEWS COAL Per Ton	ARCHIBALD COAL Per Ton	CUMMIS COAL Per Ton	
ANTHRACITE	Welsh	31.50	32.00	31.75	\$ 31.00	31.00 Per Ton
	American	30.50	—	30.75	\$ 30.00	" "
COKE	Top Union	25.65	26.00	25.72	\$ 25.60	" "
FORGE	Acadie	17.20	18.00	17.25	\$ 17.10	17.30 " "
BLOWER	Welsh	25.50	\$ 24.50	25.50	25.00	25.00 " "
Reduction Allowed Per Ton		1.00	.80¢	1.00	.75¢	

RECOMMENDED BIDS

A. G. ...
 CITY MANAGER

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75	Only Automatic Machine Plates	19.35	10.33	10.33
5	" Coal Hawkers Badges	7.64	5.87	5.87
5	" Coal Hawkers Plates	18.97	14.55	14.55
325	Pairs Taxi Plates	194.25	141.46	130.99
20	" Magazine Salesmen Badges	16.84	12.15	12.15
35	" Pedlars Badges	28.00	21.47	21.47
35	" Pedlars License Plates	18.97	14.55	14.55
150	" Trucks License Plates	28.47	21.83	21.83
6	" Chimney Sweeps Badges	12.29	5.87	12.91
		\$ 888.39	\$673.25	\$ 669.82
	Federal Sales Tax @ 10%		67.32	66.98
			\$740.57	\$ 736.80

RECOMMENDED TENDER - R.A. Power Limited.

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

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

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: November 4th, 1954.
Subject: Tenders for Supplies.

The attached tabulation of tenders for supplies was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 4th, 1954.

The Committee approved the tabulations as submitted with the following exceptions:

That Hillis & Sons be purchased from Irving Oil Co. Ltd. and Hurst Oil Co. Shell Oil Co. Ltd.

Special Springs. It was recommended that the tender of Hillis & Sons Ltd. be accepted.

Said referred to a report to be filed with City Council at the next regular meeting.

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Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publisher,
CITY CLERK.

Per J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Allen that the report be approved with the exception of the item "Special Castings" and "Salt".

SPECIAL CASTINGS

Moved by Alderman Smith, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the tender of Hillier and Sons Ltd. for Special Castings be approved.

Alderman Lloyd: "It can be said about industry in Nova Scotia as a whole that it is a subsidizing industry in Halifax it is a real problem. I don't think it is our duty or right as a City Council. I have every sympathy but on the other hand I am going along with the motion."

Alderman Vaughan: "The Company has been re-organized recently and they are making a sincere effort to put the company on a sound working basis. I think this might be an indirect way of tax exemption."

Alderman Lloyd: "I have always been my practise in the past to support the lowest tender but I think this is a little different matter. I think the tenders from the foundry be better than from the other."

Mr. West: "I am not sure of the little difference."

Alderman Lloyd: "I would like the assurance that an Alderman of the City would be a member of this Company?"

Mr. West: "I am not sure that the Alderman is neither a director nor a member."

Alderman Lloyd: "The report was approved before the tenders were called and I am not sure of that."

The report was approved by Alderman Lloyd wishing to be re-elected.

SALT

Mr. MacQuarrie of the Malaga Salt Mine has been called to hear him as follows. "My one and only complaint about Salt is that it is not uniform in quality. It is not what we do in Town, Municipalities, Cities and Provincial Governments. We have been complimented and graded locally. I understand the way salt is applied to a street in a municipality. The complaint we get last year was our salt had too much fines in it. We employ 120 men and it means quite a bit to the economy of the area."

His Worship the Mayor: "What has been said is that there is another salt that is available to do the job better."

Mr. MacQuarrie: "The NAOL of our salt was supposed to be 9.2% and our competitor's salt."

Alderman Lloyd: "In the case of the City of Halifax they had asked to deliver a coarser salt. They complied with the request and they themselves say that request can be used for roads."

Mr. DeWolf: "I think by letter and by what Mr. MacQuarrie told Mr. DeWolf that the salt delivered was not the salt specified. I saw that himself. All I know is that with the salt we use when it conforms to screen sizes, it does the job. On certain jobs it just isn't doing the work. Perhaps because of the reason Mr. MacQuarrie brings out."

Alderman Dunlop: "Can Mr. MacQuarrie deliver to the specifications?"

Mr. MacQuarrie: "Yes. The best you can get is..."

Alderman Lloyd: "Can you produce a salt that is..."

Mr. MacQuarrie: "In my opinion..."

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the
Manager and Commissioner of Works be authorized to meet with
representatives of these companies and call for tenders again.

Motion passed.

APPROPRIATION PAYMENT COUPON INTEREST

November 8, 1954.

Respectfully submitted,
to the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on
November 8, 1954, a report was submitted from the Deputy Commissioner
requesting that an appropriation be provided for the
purpose of paying coupon interest on the 1954 Bond Issue.

It was agreed to recommend that a sum not exceeding \$36,250.00
be appropriated under the authority of Section 316C of the City
Charter for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that
the same be approved. Motion passed.

DECEMBER PAY

November 8, 1954.

Respectfully submitted,
to the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the
above date, agreed to recommend that the City Treasurer be authorized
to pay City Officials and employees their full salary for the
month of December on or about the 15th of that month.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman McDonald that
the same be approved. Motion passed.

REVISION CITY CHARTER

November 8, 1954.

Respectfully submitted,
to the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.

The attached report from the City Solicitor respecting the
proposed revision of the City Charter was considered by the Finance and Executive
Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

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It was agreed to recommend that the City Solicitor be authorized to undertake a revision of the City Charter and that the matter of the charge for his services for this undertaking be considered by a special committee and that His Worship the Mayor confer with the City Solicitor on the preparation of a resolution to carry out this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Dunlop: "I am not sure the Solicitor has the spare time to revise the Charter. I have in mind the other two assistants who are in need of extra pay. It would make for a quicker revision. The City Solicitor would be the head of the Committee. That would be the way I prefer to see it done."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the observations of the Alderman could be considered by the Committee."

Alderman Dunlop: "The Solicitor should have assistance."

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

City Solicitor: "I am not looking for a job. I approach this with a great deal of concern. I know what it entails. Personally I would prefer not to have to do it at all under any circumstances. Frankly I don't want it."

The motion was put and passed with Alderman Dunlop wishing to be recorded against.

LEGISLATION RE: RETIRING ALLOWANCES

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date recommended for approval the attached legislation respecting retiring allowances.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

1955 Legislation

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The Charter is amended by inserting therein, immediately following Section 309 thereof, the following Section:

309A. (1) The City may pay to any employee of the City, upon his retirement from employment with the City, an annual allowance of such sum as the Council may determine, not to exceed the amount of One Thousand dollars per annum; provided, however, that where any such employee is entitled to receive a retiring allowance from any superannuation fund or plan to which contributions are being made by the City the allowance authorized to be paid by this Section shall be such sum as will not exceed the amount by which the said allowance which such employee is entitled to receive in any one year from any such fund or plan is less than one thousand dollars.

(2) Any sums required to pay any such allowances in any year may be included in the estimates for that year and any sums paid in any year as such allowances shall be shown as an expenditure by the City in such year.

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

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

A report was submitted from the City Manager under date of September 30, 1954 embodying a letter from H.R. Doane & Co. outlining the procedure and problems encountered during the annual independent audit and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

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DOWNTOWN PARKING LOT LEASE FOR 1955

November 8, 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 request from the Downtown Merchants Association for a renewal of the lease on the Grafton Street Parking Lot.

It was agreed to recommend that the lease be renewed for the year 1955 and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute same on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

RESERVATION INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR

Moved by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Lane that the action of the City Manager in reserving a double booth for the 1955 Fair be approved. Motion passed.

A report was submitted from Alderman Ahern containing several recommendations respecting the Trade Fair.

It was agreed that his report would be discussed when the 1955 estimates are considered.

APPOINTMENT OF COAL WEIGHER

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

A request from Mathews Coal Company to have Mr. C.W. Doubleday

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appointed a Coal Weigher was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

HEATING SYSTEM CITY FIELD

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: November 8th., 1954.
Subject: Heating System - City Field.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th., the Commissioner of Works recommended the purchase of the number of Unit Heaters required from the lowest bidder on each size Unit, at a cost of \$3000.00. Funds for same are available in the Capital Borrowing.

The Committee approved and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

Per. J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members
of the City Council.
From: G.F. West, Commissioner of Works.
Date: October 28, 1954.
Subject: Heating System - City Field.

The original plans for the installation of the new heating system at City Field called for appropriate size unit heaters to be placed throughout the buildings.

Quotations on these unit heaters have been received from local suppliers, and the total cost of 24 units would be \$3,000.00.

Cranes Ltd. were low on all sizes of the heaters required except one, and Stairs Son & Morrow Ltd. were low on that particular one.

It is recommended that authority be granted to purchase the number of unit heaters required from the lowest bidder on each size unit.

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There is money available in the Capital Borrowing to cover this expenditure.

G.F. West,
Commissioner of Works.

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

INCINERATOR DATES

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C. and
Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: November 10, 1954.
Subject: Incinerator - Engineering.

Mr. West has written to several consulting engineers and they will visit Halifax for a preliminary survey without charge as follows:-

November 18	5:00 P.M.	Mr. Harrison B. Eddy of Metcalfe & Eddy, Boston.
November 22	8:00 P.M.	Mr. Clarke of Greeley & Hansen, Chicago.
To be arranged		Proctor, Redfern & Laughlin, Toronto.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.
City Manager.

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

ADDITIONAL COURT REPORTER

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.
From: Carl P. Bethune, Q.C., City Solicitor.
Date: November 10, 1954.
Subject: Re: Additional Court Reporter - City Court and Police Court.

Your Worship and Aldermen:

As instructed by the City Council I have conferred with the Attorney General's Department of the Province and am advised that the Province is prepared to share half the cost of an additional Court Reporter for the Police Court, City Court and County Magistrate's Court. The salary range proposed was \$2340.00 to \$2700.00.

This I think is the information requested by the Council and if this is approved I would recommend that the City Manager be

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authorized to make an appointment to fill this position after consultation with the Stipendiary Magistrate.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

STREET NAMES

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: October 25th, 1954.
Subject: Street Names.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 21st 1954 the question of changing the name of Gebhart Street to avoid confusion between it and Geldert Street was considered.

The Committee recommended that the name of Gebhart Street be changed to Belcher Street.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per..J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the residents had indicated their desire to have the named changed to either Pearson Drive or Chelsea Drive.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Gebhart Street be renamed Pearson Drive. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION OF LANDS OF MR. S. WALKER LIVERPOOL STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.
From: Town Planning Board.
Date: November 8th., 1954.
Subject: Resubdivision of lands of Samuel Walker - Liverpool St.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on November 4th., the Town Planning Engineer recommended approval of a plan of resubdivision of two lots of land of Samuel Walker, on Liverpool Street, to correct an error in measurement made in the original plan.

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The Board approved same as shown on Plan No. 90-2-32896.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publications,
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION OF CITY OWNED LANDS LIVERPOOL STREET

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

Date: November 8th., 1954.

Subject: Resubdivision of City owned land - Liverpool Street.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on November 4th,
the Town Planning Engineer recommended approval of a resubdivision
of City owned land on the north side of Liverpool Street to be
added to the bounding properties.

The Board approved same as shown on Plan No. RR 2-12890.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publications,
CITY CLERK

Per: J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

BUILDING LINE HOLLIS ST.

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

Date: November 8th., 1954.

Subject: Re: Building Line - Hollis Street.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on November 4th,
the report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending that a
20-foot building line be established on the east side of Hollis
Street, from Sackville Street southwesterly to Terminal Road, was
approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted

W.P. Publications,
City Clerk.

Per: J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

November 12, 1954.

Alderman Allen asked if by laying this building line would have any effect on the new Federal building to be constructed on this street.

He was advised that it would not interfere with the new Federal building.

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

LAND REQUIRED FROM ST. PATRICK'S HOME FOR ROMANA AVENUE

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

Date: November 8th., 1954.

Subject: Land required by the City of Halifax from St. Patrick's Home for Romana Avenue.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on November 4th., the attached report from the City Engineer in regard to the City acquiring land from St. Patrick's Home for Romana Avenue was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sibley,
Clerk of Works.

C. G.F. West, Commissioner of Works.

A. Harris, City Engineer

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Land required by the City of Halifax from St. Patrick's Home for Romana Avenue.

In 1947 the City of Halifax, along with the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation were considering the construction of additional houses in the new Westmount Subdivision. The location for the proposed erection for the additional houses was shown as Lot 66, was in that area south of Bayers Road at the time.

On March 11, 1948 the City prepared an appropriation plan showing a proposed street, which is now Romana Avenue, laid out from Bayers Road through City of Halifax owned property, through the W.D. Isner property and through the St. Patrick's Home Property to Kenford Road.

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It was at first thought to obtain an easement through the property 20' in width, but later City Council passed a resolution

the portion of Romans Avenue required from St. Peter's Home to this date been acquired but an arrangement was made with the Bishop to obtain this land for an amount of the proposed street charges.

It may be seen from this that it was not any individual that closed down Romans Avenue, but the City itself. Therefore it would be quite in order for the City to acquire this property.

A.G. Harris, Jr.,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman D-Wolf, seconded by Alderman D-Step that the report be approved. Motion passed.

AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #46 TELEVISION ANTENNAE

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

November 8th, 1954.

Re: Television Antennae Licenses.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 4th, 1954, a report from the City Solicitor recommending that Ordinance No 46 be amended to enable the licenses to be granted by the Commissioner of Works was approved and recommended to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted

W.P. P...
City Clerk

Per: J.B. B...
Clerk of Works

Moved by Alderman D-Step, seconded by Alderman M... that the report be approved. Motion passed.

AMENDMENT

IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of

as follows:

Section 1 of Ordinance Number 46, captioned "Regulation of Structures to carry Television Antennae" is hereby amended and the following substituted therefor:

(a) No person shall in the City of... or any other person engaged in the business of erecting, constructing, reconstructing, altering or repairing any structure used or to be used to carry or support a television antenna unless such person holds a license... order

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the authority of this Ordinance. Such license shall be signed and issued by the Commissioner of Works and shall remain in force for one year from the date of its issue unless revoked prior to the expiration thereof as hereinafter provided. The Commissioner of Works may revoke any such license at any time if in his opinion the person holding such license has failed to comply with any of the provisions of this Ordinance.

(b) Before any such license is issued to any person such person shall provide a good and sufficient bond in the penal sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00), executed by a surety company licensed to do business in the Province of Nova Scotia and approved in form by the City Solicitor, which said bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of all laws and of the ordinances of the City of Halifax, and shall indemnify and keep harmless the City of Halifax from any and all damages, judgements, costs or expenses which the said City may incur or suffer by reason of the granting of such license. The said bond shall also extend to the use and benefit of the City of Halifax as well as of any person who may suffer injuries or property damage by reason of the license granted hereunder. Such bond shall be maintained in effect at all times during the currency of the said license.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the amendment as set out above be read and passed a first time and referred to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

RETIREMENT OF MR. GEORGE H. GERMAN

November 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, a report was submitted from the Retirement Committee advising that Mr. George H. German, a former Janitor employed by the Board of School Commissioners, had been retired effective as from October 1, 1953 at an annual allowance of \$211.72.

It was decided to forward this information to Council.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

GRANTS FOR PENSIONERS

November 8, 1954.

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

The attached statement respecting payment of supplementary amounts to pensioners, who are in receipt of amounts less than \$1,100.00 per annum, was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

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I have agreed to recommend that the payments be made in accordance with the amounts set out in the statement.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publications,
CITY CLERK.

SUPPLEMENTARY SUPERANNUATION PAY FOR YEAR 1954

<u>NAME</u>	<u>FORMER OCCUPATION</u>	<u>PENSION OR GRANT</u>	<u>ACTUAL PAYMENTS 1954</u>	<u>INCREMENT</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>SECTION</u>					
William Pepper	Blacksmith	Pension	594.88	209.88	804.00
Miss M. Jones	Nurse	Health			
Mullane	Department	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Fred Watson	Employee,				
	Water Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Robert Jones	Emp.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
George Newport	Works	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Albert Smith	"	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
James Wood	Mechanical				
	Supt. Works				
	Department	Grant	900.00	84.00	1,044.00
Arthur McKenzie	Stableman	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Leo M. ...	Emp. Works				
	Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
William Power	" Works				
	Dept.	Grant	300.00	84.00	384.00
Clifford Tanner	" Works				
	Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
W. E. ...	"	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Marjorie Caspitt	Sec'y Fire				
	Alarm	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
...	Emp. Works				
	Dept.	Pension	1,094.88	84.00	1,094.88
...	Emp. City				
	Home	Grant	600.00	84.00	684.00
...	Emp. Home	Grant	444.00	84.00	524.00
...	"	Grant	560.00	84.00	644.00
...	Works				
	Dept.	Grant	803.96	84.00	1,083.96
...	" Finance				
	Dept.	Grant	509.96	84.00	933.96
...	Emp. H.B.				
	Hospital	Grant	594.00	84.00	983.95
		Pension	300.13		
...	Emp. Works				
	Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
...	" Works	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
...	Graham	Public			
	Health	Grant	583.92	84.00	583.92
...	Graves	Emp. City			
	Home	Grant	900.00	84.00	984.00
...	Emp. Hall Mem				
	Library	Grant	883.92	84.00	883.92
...	Emp. Works				
	Dept.	Grant	600.00	84.00	644.00

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Ronald McDonald	Emp. Works	Grant	577.66	31.00	801.66
Mrs. Sarah Michael	Dept.	Grant	476.68		908.66
		Pension	431.98	84.00	869.00
James Griffin	City Home	Grant	470.54		932.06
Mrs. McEachern		Pension	461.52	84.00	683.92
			2,190.08	683.92	44,432.97

FIREMEN'S SUPERANNUATION

James Gormier	Fireman	Grant	499.92	184.00	683.92
Killed while on duty					
Mrs. Frances Shanks	Fireman	Pension	394.66	184.00	578.68
James O'Brien	Fireman	Pension	845.26	84.00	929.28
William Settle	Fireman	Pension	904.68	84.00	988.68
George Mann	Fireman	Pension	1,077.92	84.00	1,111.92
James Cody	Capt. Fire Dept.	Pension	677.96	84.00	1,071.96
J.P. Sweeney	Fireman	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96
John Whalen	Fireman	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96
Ernest Yeadon	Fireman	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96
Charles McKay	Fireman	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96
Robert Ropell	Fireman	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96
John Deahan	Fireman	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96
William Wells	Fireman	Pension	577.96	84.00	884.28
Mr. P. Conolly	Fireman	Grant	877.96	84.00	1,044.00
James Sheppard	Fireman	Pension	877.96	84.00	1,021.44
Reginald Brushett	Fireman	Grant	877.96	84.00	1,044.00
William Bowser	Fireman	Pension	877.96	84.00	849.60
Arthur Sweeney	Fireman	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96
Wm. Lewis	Fireman	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96
Mrs. Sprain wife of Captain in Fire Department		Pension	555.71		555.71
			\$18,000.00	\$1,800.00	\$19,800.00

POLICE SUPERANNUATION

Stephen Kennedy	Detective	Pension	804.00		1,083.96
Mrs. May Virtue	Police-woman	Grant	804.00		804.00
Howard T. Smith	Police-man	Pension	804.00		804.00
E.R. Knox	Police-man	Grant	804.00		804.00
			3,216.00		\$3,013.96

RECAPITULATION

OFFICIALS SUPERANNUATION	\$2,645.26
FIREMEN'S SUPERANNUATION	1,859.00
POLICE SUPERANNUATION	436.00
	\$4,940.26

Moved by Alderman Ullrich, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the report be passed and the same referred to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval. Motion carried.

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FINAL TO BEDFORD CONSTRUCTION CO \$2,508.00

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

November 8th., 1954.

Final Payment to Bedford Construction Co. \$2508.00

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th.,
a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that a
final payment of \$2508.00 be made to the Bank of Montreal,
in account of the Bedford Construction Co., for repointing
the Memorial Tower at Fleming Park, was approved and
recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per., J.B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

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

PROPOSED SEWER EXTENSION CLINTON AVE. & D.V. ROAD

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

November 8th., 1954.

Proposed Sewer Extension - Clinton Avenue and Dutch
Village Road.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th.,
the attached report from the City Engineer recommending
that a 24" sewer be laid on Clinton Avenue and also northward
on Dutch Village Road was considered.

The Committee approved and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per., J.B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

W.P. West, Commissioner of Works.

W.P. Publicover, City Engineer,

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Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publitzer,
CITY CLERK.

Per., J.B. Saneau,
Clerk of Works.

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

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Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publitzer,
CITY CLERK.

Per., J.B. Saneau,
Clerk of Works.

Wm. West, Commissioner of Works.

City Engineer,

November 8, 1954.

Sewer Extension - Clinton Avenue and Dutch Village Road.

November 12, 1954.

The problem of serving this area has been thoroughly gone into, check levels have been taken, and it is our recommendation that a proposed 24" sewer be laid on Clinton Avenue, and also a 24" sewer be laid northwardly on Dutch Village Road.

The sewer on Clinton Avenue would flow eastwardly from Dutch Village Road to a pumphouse, and then discharge into the existing sewer along the Canadian National Railway right-of-way.

The estimated cost for the above amounts to \$24,400.00, but it is recommended that an additional length of 480' be laid on Dutch Village Road to clear up a very bad drainage problem which would cost an additional \$5,000.00. The total funds available amount to \$25,900.00. \$9,000.00 of this total was approved for lowering two water mains at first thought necessary were it possible to drain Clinton Avenue directly into the sewer on Chebucto Road.

It is requested that permission be granted to transfer the amount of \$9,000.00 to this new scheme of serving this area by way of pumping into the existing sewer on the Canadian National Railway right-of-way. An additional amount of \$3,500.00 would be required for the complete installation for which would include the additional 480' of sewer on Dutch Village Road, and it is suggested that this amount be carried over for the 1955 Capital Borrowing.

A sketch is attached showing the proposed layout. It should be noted from the sketch that a sewer easement will be necessary over that portion of the Canadian National Railway right-of-way for connecting the proposed pumphouse to the existing 24" sewer.

We estimate the yearly maintenance and operation of the pumps to amount to \$275.00 per year.

A.C. Harris
City Engineer.

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

FEE BLASTING PERMITS 1955 LEGISLATION

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: November 8th., 1954.
Subject: Blasting Permits.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th., 1954 the attached report from the Commissioner of Works, recommending that an annual fee of \$25.00 be charged for Blasting Permits in addition to Insurance requirements was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per. J.E. Sebean,
Clerk of Works.

I am attaching hereto a report subsequently received from the City Solicitor.

November 12, 1954.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on
Works.
From: Carl P. Bethune, Q.C., City Solicitor.

Date: November 9, 1954.

Subject: Res 1955 Legislation, Item 39. Fee for blasting permits.
Your Worship and Aldermen:

At the meeting of the Committee on Works held November 4th., 1954, it was decided to make an annual charge for blasting permits of \$75.00.

Under the present legislation there is no authority to charge such a fee, and I attach hereto an amendment to Section 589A of the Charter, enabling the City to provide a fee for blasting permits which will constitute an amendment to the Ordinance when the legislative authority therefor is granted.

This should be recommended to the City Council.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR

1955 Legislation

Item 39.

Section 589A, as that Section is enacted by Section 29 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1946, is amended by inserting therein, between the words "permit" and "and" in the sixth line thereof, the words "and the fee payable therefor".

(Explanatory notes: This amendment will enable the City to charge an annual fee for any blasting permits issued. The amount of the fee will be included in the Ordinance.)

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report and legislation as submitted be approved.

Motion passed.

OVERHANGING SIGNS

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

Date: November 8th., 1954.

Subject: Overhanging Signs.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th., 1954 a report from the Commissioner of Works, recommending that permission be granted to erect the following Overhanging Signs was approved and recommended to City Council.

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#49 Sackville Street Personal Finance.	\$5.00	Neon
#10 Granville Street W.L. Huddy Co. Ltd.	5.00	"
#10-232 Brunswick Street Super Service Stations	5.00	Illuminated
#15 Bedford Row Canadian Pittsburg Ind. Ltd.	5.00	"
#32 Cornwallis Street Ben's Ltd.	5.00	"
#37 Agricola Street Ben's Ltd.	5.00	"
Corner Robie and Cunard Street Irving Oil Co. Ltd.	5.00	"
#803½ Barrington Street Neatha Ryder	5.00	"
#33 Morris Street Mrs. Ada McCallum	7.00	"
#88 Dresden Row Mrs. R. MacFarlane	5.00	"
#454 Oxford Street Sobey's Stores Ltd.	5.00	Neon
#49 Bower Street Hillcrest Motors	5.00	"
#619 Gottingen Street Rock City Tobacco	5.00	Illuminated.
#237 Agricola Street D.N. Jacobson	8.00	"
#141 Young Street Imperial Oil	5.00	"
#262 Gottingen Street O'Hagen's Mens Shop	5.00	Neon

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per.. J.B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works

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

November 12, 1954.

CLOSING PORTION OF BOWER ROAD AND SALE OF LAND

The City Solicitor advised that as a first step action should be taken to lay down a portion of the official street line.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that Council fix Thursday, December 16, 1954 at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N.S. as the time and place for a public hearing into the matter of laying down a portion of the Official Street Line on the West Side of Bower Road between Tower Road and the C.N.R. right-of-way as shown on Section 20B of the Official City Plan. Motion passed.

SALE OF LAND CONNAUGHT AVENUE (NEAR CHEBUCTO ROAD)

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

Date: November 8th., 1954.

Subject: Sale of land - Connaught Avenue (Near Chebucto Road)

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th., the attached report from the City Solicitor in regard to four feet of land remaining after the resubdivision was approved by City Council on July 12th., 1951, was considered.

The Committee recommended that the remaining four feet be sold to J.P. Stanbury and Margaret Stanbury adjoining owners for the sum of \$100.00.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per. J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

To: A.A. DeBard, Jr., City Manager.
From: C.P. Bethune, Q.C., City Solicitor.
Date: October 13th., 1954.

Subject: Sale of Land - Connaught Avenue (Near Chebucto Road)

On May 17th., 1951 the City Council sold lots on Connaught Avenue by tender. At that time it was suggested that the subdivision should be revised by moving all boundaries 4 feet southwardly. The idea of this was to provide room for the adjoining property owner to get into his property.

This subdivision was re-subdivided and approved by Council on July 12th., 1951, as Plan #300-1-11064A.

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Apparently the 4 feet remaining were not sold and the present owners of the adjoining property, J.B. Stanbury and Margaret Stanbury, 376 Connaught Avenue, are anxious to acquire the same.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

Per.. T.C. Doyle

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

STREET LIGHTING BAYERS ROAD AND ELLIOTT STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: November 8th., 1954.
Subject: Street Lighting - Bayers Road.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th. the attached report from the City Electrician, recommending that two Mercury Street Lights be installed on Bayers Road, at an installation cost of \$250.00 was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per.. J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

From: A.P. Flynn
City Electrician

Date October 29th, 1954

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

Re Street lighting Bayers
Road - New Dominion Store

I would recommend that 2 mercury street lights be installed on Bayers Road - one near the entrance and one near the exit of the new Dominion Store where traffic officers are on duty during busy hours.

Installation cost	\$250.00
Increased maintenance cost for balance of year	13.32
Increased maintenance cost for full year	80.00

A.P. Flynn,
City Electrician

November 12, 1954.

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: November 8th., 1954.
Subject: Street Lighting - Elliott Street

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th., the attached report from the City Electrician, in regard to Street Lighting on Elliott Street was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per. J.B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works.

From: A.P. Flynn,
City Electrician

Date October 29th, 1954.

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

Re Street Lighting on
Elliott Street.

I have received a verbal request for street lighting on Elliott Street. I went over this street and as this is a new subdivision with no street lighting at the present time it will require 2-250 candle power lights.

This street is owned by the city but will not be designated as such until it is properly graded.

Installation cost	\$158.88
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Increased maintenance cost for balance of year	6.88
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Increased maintenance cost for full year	40.00
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Installation cost to be changed to capital borrowing
street lighting new subdivision.

A.P. Flynn,
City Electrician.

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

NORMANDY DRIVE BETWEEN ROSEMEAD AVENUE AND ROBIE STREET

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

Date: November 8th., 1954.

Subject: Normandy Drive - Between Rosemead Avenue and Robie Street

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At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on November 4th., a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that new sidewalk and curb and gutter be installed on Normandy Drive, according to the new street line, at an estimated cost of \$4000.00, was approved and recommended to City Council.

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: G.F. West, Commissioner of Works.
Date: November 4th., 1954.
Subject: Normandy Drive - Between Rosemead Avenue and Robie Street.

The estimated cost of removing the existing sidewalk, curb and gutter and sodding on Normandy Drive between Rosemead Avenue and Robie Street and installing new sidewalk and curb and gutter on this same street, according to the new street line, is \$4,000.00.

It is recommended that authority be given to use this amount from the sidewalk Capital Account in order that the work may be carried out this year.

G.F. West,
Commissioner of Works.

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

APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO ZONING MRS. BUNGAY WINDSOR ST.

Alderman Vaughan: "There are no other commercial establishments in the area but Mrs. Bungay has been by bits and pieces encroaching on the residential district. This was primarily a residential section."

Alderman DeWolf said there was a reservation in the title that a commercial establishment was not permitted.

Alderman Vaughan: "It would seem wrong for this Council to proceed to have a hearing for rezoning."

His Worship the Mayor: "When it comes back to Council we can decide whether there should or should not be a public hearing."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that this application be not granted.

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Alderman DeWolf: "All the residents of that area signed the deed at the time of purchase to agree that it was a residential area and would be kept as such."

His Worship the Mayor: "There is a petition here with 45 signatures on it saying they have no objection to it".

Moved in amendment by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Lane that the application be referred to the Town Planning Board for a report and that the petition be investigated.

Amendment Passed.

FENCE FOOT OF JUBILEE ROAD

Alderman O'Malley: "Alderman Kitz asked me to ask this question before he left. He would like to know if the City owns that section of the property at the foot of Jubilee Road and if it does will the Traffic Authority consider a strong board fence."

The matter was referred to the City Manager.

UNSIGHTLY PROPERTIES

Alderman Vaughan: "Would the Solicitor look into the matter of unsightly properties both commercial and residential and report back to Council what he deems necessary to control it?"

PRESENTATION TO TENNIS CHAMPIONS

Alderman Ahern asked when His Worship the Mayor would make the presentations to Miss Dewis and Mr. Woodworth.

His Worship the Mayor asked to be reminded of it before next regular meeting.

STAGE ST. STEPHEN'S SCHOOL AND PAVING GORSEBROOK GROUNDS

A report was submitted from the Board of School Commissioners requesting permission to spend the unexpended appropriation of \$13,500.00 for Group Insurance to pay for the erection of a stage at St. Stephen's School and to pave a section of the Gorsebrook School ground.

The City Manager advised the proposed expenditures would be as follows: \$2,000.00 for the stage at St. Stephen's School and \$4,175.00 for paving of the Gorsebrook grounds.

Income for Calendar, 1954

Real Estate

120 West Main Court	120 West Main Court	\$28.00
120 West Main Court	120 West Main Court	25.00
37, 1921 Farrington Street	37, 1921 Farrington Street	35.00
120 West Main Court	120 West Main Court	
120 West Main Court	120 West Main Court	

Other Income

Public Works	Public Works	10.00
Police Car	Police Car	25.00
Police Car	Police Car	25.00
Police Car	Police Car	25.00
Police Car	Police Car	25.00
Police Car	Police Car	25.00

Income from Real Estate
 Income from Other Sources
 Total Income

Income from Real Estate	Income from Real Estate	100.00
Income from Other Sources	Income from Other Sources	100.00
Total Income	Total Income	200.00
Income from Real Estate	Income from Real Estate	100.00
Income from Other Sources	Income from Other Sources	100.00
Total Income	Total Income	200.00

Income from Real Estate
 Income from Other Sources
 Total Income

7. Street Construction - 1954 Season to October 31, 1954

<u>Street</u>	<u>Length in ft.</u>	<u>Job Completed</u>
Waller Terrace	16	July 26, 1954
Waller Terrace	300	August 20, 1954
Waller & Dudley	100	October 1, 1954
Waller Drive	90	October 5, 1954
Waller Road	555	October 7, 1954
Waller Road	250	October 7, 1954
Duffus	170	October 7, 1954
Gorsbrook	700	October 9, 1954
Rogers Drive	250	Oct. 31, 1954 - 95% complete
Waller Road	267	" "
Judith Road	71	" "
Connaught Avenue	380	" "
Memorial Drive	350	" 20% complete

8. Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter - Completed this month

<u>Street</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Side</u>	<u>Work</u>
Bellevue Ave.	Inglis	Oakland	West	S. & S.
Bright	Leeds	Basinview	Both	C. & G.
Rowe Ave.	Bayers	Scot St.	Both	S. & S., C. & G.
Scot	Rowe	Howe	Both	do.
Federal Ave.	Romans	Romans	Both	do.
Atlantic	Bridges	Tower	South	do.
Howe Ave.	Bayers	Scot	East	do.

9. Sidewalk, Curb & Gutter - Incomplete.

Palmeral	Franklin	Last House	Both	C. & G. 75% comp.
Dudley Ave.	Oxford	Connolly	Both	S. & S. 98% "
Basinview Dr.	Leeds	Robie	Both	C. & G. 98% "
Memorial Dr.	Lady Hammond	Leeds	East	S. & S., C. & G. 98% comp.
Abbott Dr.	Hayfield Ave.	Ashburn	South	C. & G. 98% "
Coleman	Bayers	Bayers	-	C. & G. 98% "

10. Building of Buildings & Athletic Streets

The City of Detroit Housing Corporation advises us that notice has been sent to the tenants in these properties that they must vacate by April 30, 1955. The buildings will then be demolished or sold for removal from the land.

11. Lower O'Connell Field.

When considering the annual budget last May, the question was raised whether Lower O'Connell Field could be abandoned and a new area developed on the site of the Westmount-Chabouette Road area.

The Department of Public Works is of the opinion that the Lower O'Connell area should be kept because of the need for more parking space and the rapid decrease in free parking.

A. A. McBarnd Jr.
City Engineer.

OFFICE OF THE CITY SOLICITOR

CITY HALL

HALIFAX, N. S.

October 18, 1954.

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

Your Worship and Aldermen.

I attach hereto a report on my recent attendance
at the Annual Conference of The National Institute of Municipal
Law Officers held during September in San Francisco, California.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune

GARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR

CFB:EHJ
Encl.

*City Council
Administrative
CFB*

There are several other housing projects in addition to low rent housing, namely: Public War Housing, Veterans Re-use Housing and Defence Housing (in connection with the Korean War). All of these seem to be in course of renovation and transfer to public bodies for public use at usually fair market value.

It should be noted that preference for admission of tenants in low rent public housing was extended to families who are displaced by such a project or by a slum-clearance or re-development project.

It is also of interest that certain payments in lieu of taxes are required by the Housing Act 1954 where such projects are tax exempt. Where such projects are taxable the municipality must share in the cost by contributing in cash the difference between full taxes and 10 percent of the shelter rents but not less than 20 percent of the Federal contribution.

On the disposal of any such project, the proceeds are to be divided between the Federal government and the municipality in proportion to the aggregate contributions of each.

In New Orleans, Louisiana, and in Memphis, Tennessee, Minimum Housing Ordinances have been adopted during the past year. I plan to secure copies of these ordinances as a guide for similar action by this City.

3. Urban Redevelopment.

Much attention is being given to this subject, which includes slum clearance and the removal of "blighted" areas. The Urban Redevelopment Act of 1954, a Federal Statute, provides for the advancement of funds to a local public agency by the Federal government bearing interest at 1 percent. This loan is repaid out of moneys to be received from a capital grant on the completion of the project or any other moneys available.

The paper on this matter explains in detail the steps to be taken in commencing and carrying out such a project together with an ordinance setting out the procedure.

A somewhat similar plan is available in Canada.

5. Municipal Revenues from Federally-owned Property.

This problem is as acute in the United States as in Canada, although in this country we have apparently arrived at a more definite solution. The principle, however, in both the Canadian and United States legislation is that Federally-owned real property should contribute to the operation of the municipality in which it is located. The President of the United States has appointed a Commission on Governmental Relations to study this and allied matters and it is hoped that the report will be available March 1st, 1955. There should be of considerable interest to Canadian municipalities in their approach to the Government of Canada.

4. Report on Internal Revenue Code Amendments.

This report deals with the effect of Federal encroachments on the taxing powers of municipalities and with the protection of

municipal revenues. This is not strictly applicable in principle to Canada.

A matter of interest however is the fear that the Federal government might encroach upon the principle that constitutional tax immunity of state and municipal bonds must be maintained.

In the United States income from municipal and state bonds is exempt from Federal Income Tax and as a result the municipalities are able to sell their bonds at a lower interest rate and higher price than is the case in Canada where income from such bonds is subject to tax. It might be a means of securing some relief to municipalities if this principle were in effect in Canada. The difference in coupon rate between ~~tax~~ bonds upon which interest is taxable and those upon which it is non-taxable is estimated as between 1% and 1½%.

An additional report by the Committee on Municipal Bonds in a most interesting manner dealt with this question of tax exempt bond.

An interesting matter is also dealt with in this report - namely the question of priority of Federal liens for income tax or withholding tax as against municipal liens for taxes. The Supreme Court of the United States held that all such liens were equal but priority was established on the basis "a prior lien gives a prior claim which is entitled to prior satisfaction out of the subject it binds" - or in other words "first in time, first in right".

5. Building codes and Fire Prevention Ordinances.

The paper submitted on this matter naturally fell into two parts - (1) Building Codes, and (2) Fire Prevention Ordinances.

As to the former, reference was made to a most comprehensive Government publication dealing with "Administrative Procedures for Enforcement of Building Regulations". I am arranging to secure this report as it may be of assistance to our Building Inspection Department. This report deals with:

- (1) The application for and issuance of permits.
- (2) Inspection of new construction.
- (3) Action against violators.
- (4) Occupational licensing as a means of enforcement. (We now have this in our Charter, as occupancy permits, as a result of a suggestion which I made several years ago following my attendance at a Conference of this Association.)
- (5) Powers and Procedure for Ordering Repair and Demolition of Existing Buildings.
- (6) Administrative hearings and appeals.
- (7) Legislative and Judicial Appeals and penalties.

A further publication deals with "Local Development and Enforcement of Housing Codes". I also propose to secure a copy of this pamphlet.

As a matter of interest, I would like to refer to a growing tendency in several cities to discontinue the use of the fire alarm telegraph box and substitute a system of public telephones on which can be called fire, police and ambulance. This, of course, entails a switchboard despatching operation manned

by well-trained operators. The emergency services of the fire department, police department and ambulance and disaster facilities are thus integrated.

It has been found to reduce false alarms, reduce the quantity of equipment called out to a fire and give more particulars to the services demanded, so that the police will immediately know whether to direct additional policemen for traffic and other duty and whether ambulances, etc., are needed.

It is rather a coincidence that this matter is fully dealt with in the October issue of Readers Digest. It might bear looking into.

6. Public Utility Matters.

Three excellent reports and papers were presented prepared by municipal lawyers who have specialized in the field of public utility law and practice and who have national reputations in the United States. The matters dealt with were of particular interest to me and were of a technical nature.

The first paper, in a general manner, reviewed the general field of utility rate applications - pointing out that generally the application is made some time after the utility company has found it necessary to make the application and vice versa in periods of declining costs. The solution appears to lie in closer continuous attention on the part of both the utility company and the consumers to the earning picture of the utility so that a prompt application can be made.

Similar courses, would entail on the part of the consumers (in effect the municipality) the necessity of having continuously employed a person skilled in public utility law and practice who would be required to be continuously in touch with these developments. A number of United States cities now have this type of officer on the City's staff. In this province such an official could be appointed by the Provincial Government and be on the staff of the Department of Municipal Affairs.

The second paper dealt exhaustively with decisions of United States Courts on the questions of Electric, Gas and Telephone Rates and the matters contained are of great value in preparing for a rate hearing.

The third paper contained references to decided cases involving municipally owned utilities but since Halifax does not directly operate any public utility the immediate value of these decisions to me is not apparent.

7. The Question of Taxation and Revenue.

This is a intriguing subject and from an academic point of view would appear to have merit. When, however, additional taxation is contemplated on the same persons already heavily taxed it seems to me to require careful consideration to determine just where the burden of new taxes will be felt.

The committee made a survey of nearly 200 cities with populations ranging from more than 500,000 to those under 50,000.

It was found that the trend toward non-property taxes continues at an accelerated pace - that the larger cities make

more use of such taxes as the sales tax, business privilege tax, income tax, cigarette tax and admissions taxes in various combinations. The smaller cities are also increasing their use of non-property taxes.

Many states levy non-property taxes for municipalities, or which they share with municipalities.

Real and personal property taxes still continue to be the main source of revenue for municipalities. Most cities have both of these taxes. There were more cities reporting an assessed valuation of less than 50% of actual value than cities reporting an assessed valuation of over 50%. The most popular valuation is between 40% and 60%.

Many of the non-property taxes above referred to are apparently being made more acceptable to the public by being earmarked at least to a portion for capital improvements. From 70% to 85% of the cities reporting have some form of non-property tax.

The Business Privilege Tax is a tax unknown to us and if any further information is desired I shall be pleased to supply it. In effect it is similar in some cities to our license fees under Section 361 of our City Charter, but many variations exist.

However, in our case, we may find that insofar as corporations are concerned we may be restricted by the Dominion-Provincial Agreements.

8. Civil Liberties.

This report dealt with various phases of the matter not all of which have any application to Canada.

(1) Segregation. Since the recent decision of the Supreme Court of the United States on this matter, many United States cities have had to change their outlook and the problems created are many and troublesome. This problem extends to schools, public housing, employment, public accommodation (hotels and restaurants), recreational facilities and even to cemeteries.

(2) Freedom of Religion. This involves religious education in schools, the fluoridation of water as offending the religious views of those who do not believe in medication, and other matters.

(3) Freedom of Activity, Speech and Association. This involves the right to practise professions and trades without prohibition, making speeches which might cause the overthrow of the government by means of force or violence or other unconstitutional means, being a member of a subversive organization, censorship of movies and letters of army personnel.

(4) The use of evidence in legal proceedings when the evidence has been illegally obtained - such as by the unauthorized placing of microphones in various parts of defendant's house and by confessions obtained by fraud.

(5) Immigration, Deportation and Naturalization.

9. Municipal Officer and Employee Problems.

This was an informative paper dealing in part with the survey of municipal salaries made recently in the City of New York and which includes the various salaries and the annual increments.

The paper also contains the Order made by the City of New York dealing with the Conduct of Relations between the City of New York and its Employees. This Order contains much that is contained in our agreements with our unions.

10. Disposal and Preservation of Public Records.

This is a matter upon which I commented last year. Disposal of records is, in my opinion, highly technical and I think the responsible head of each department should be required to take such time as it may require to intelligently arrange for the disposal or destruction of old, useless records and the careful preservation of useful records in a manner that will enable them to be readily available. I do not think this has been done in Halifax. I believe the uncoordinated mass of records at present at the City Field should be gone over at once by the staff familiar with them while such staff is available. I mean by this - senior staff. Then proper facilities should be provided to arrange for future preservation.

It might not be unreasonable to select a senior member of the staff to supervise and approve of this effort so that there will be someone responsible.

We should set up schedules as to how long to preserve records, what records are to be microfilmed and destroyed and what records are to be microfilmed and retained in a place of safekeeping - preferably away from the local site of government in order that the same may be preserved in the event of destruction of the local records by peacetime or war casualty.

I believe a guide has been prepared by the National Institute of Municipal Clerks.

Certain States have enacted statutes defining what records should be destroyed and when and what records kept.

11. Zoning and Planning.

An instructive technical paper was given on this subject dealing with various decisions on the interpretation of zoning by-laws and other relevant matters, such as non-conforming uses, relaxation of provisions, etc.

In addition to the foregoing other reports and papers were presented dealing with -

- Civil Defence
- Condemnation (Expropriation) of Real Property
- Liability of Municipalities for Tort
- Municipal Contracts
- Ordinances and Ordinance Enforcement.
- City-State Relations
- School Legal Problems
- Airports
- Federal-City Relations.

Discussions took place on all of the matters submitted and many questions were asked and answered. Great interest was shown and a remarkably full attendance was present at each conference session.

It will be noted from the programme that two prominent speakers addressed the Conference - Mr. Lloyd Wright, President of the American Bar Association, and Mr. Simon E. Sobeloff, Solicitor General of the United States, formerly City Attorney of the City of Baltimore, whom I first met in 1942.

I wish to take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation to the City Council for the assistance given me to enable me to attend this meeting. I enjoyed the association with other lawyers engaged in the same work as I, and feel that such a meeting cannot help but be of value.

I trust the foregoing memorandum will be of interest and if there are any particular points which require clarification or elaboration I will do my best to provide this information.

Respectfully submitted,



CARL P. BETHUNE
CITY SOLICITOR

CPB:EHJ

November 12, 1954.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the permission requested be granted. Motion passed.

CITY MANAGER'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT FOR OCTOBER

A report was submitted from the City Manager for the month of October 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

TREE LIST #1 FOR 1954

The Ornamental Tree list #1 showing the number of trees planted on various City streets was submitted.

FILED

CITY SOLICITOR'S REPORT Re: CONVENTION

A report was submitted from the City Solicitor outlining the various items that were discussed at the Municipal Law Officers' Convention held in San Francisco on September 13, 14 and 15, 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.

FILED

BUILDINGS TOWER ROAD, BRIDGES AND ATLANTIC STREETS

A letter was submitted from G. M. & H. C. informing the City that they were authorized to secure vacant possession of the above buildings not later than April 30, 1955 and as each building become vacant, it would be demolished or sold for removal from the land.

FILED.

Convention
Report
Alderman

November 12, 1954.

TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF OCTOBER 1954

Received	O/S Balance Sept. 30/54	New Accounts & Adjustments	October 1954 Collections	O/S Balance October 1954
61,481.71	159,989.09 Cr.	365.11	14,018.77	145,605.21
71,350.23	329,476.46 Cr.	1,941.62	21,645.25	305,889.59
87,081.95	999,027.52 Dr.	15,588.34	105,150.49	909,465.37
	1,488,493.07 Dr.	13,281.61	140,814.51	1,360,960.17
Years Prior to 1952 (covered by reserves)			8,358.87	
			<u>149,173.38</u>	
<u>Real Taxes</u>				
1953-54	22,128.10			22,128.10
1954-55	2,407.77		1.00	2,406.77
1953	2,317.25 Dr.	32.25	756.55	1,592.95
1954	54,721.28 Dr.	58.15	8,359.20	46,420.23
			9,116.75	
Real Taxes other than listed above			720.16	
			<u>9,836.91</u>	
Total Collections in October 1954			159,010.29	
Total Collections in October 1953			<u>131,926.16</u>	
Current Taxes collected January 2nd to October 29/54			6,089,378.72	
Corresponding Period 1953				5,820,765.86
Tax Arrears collected January 2nd to October 29, 1954			613,261.40	
Corresponding Period 1953				476,572.38
Real Tax Collections January 2nd to October 29, 1954			110,020.12	
Corresponding Period 1953				111,627.31
			<u>6,812,660.24</u>	<u>6,408,965.55</u>
<u>AMOUNT COLLECTED</u>				
			<u>Jan. 2nd to Oct. 29th.</u>	<u>%</u>
Real Levy 1954	7,036,505.98		6,089,378.72	86.54
Real Levy 1953	6,804,375.60		5,820,765.86	85.54
Tax Arrears January 2nd, 1954	1,118,470.92		613,261.40	54.83
Tax Arrears January 2nd, 1953	957,954.00		476,572.38	49.75
Total Collections to October 1954			6,702,640.12	95.26
Total Collections to October 1953			6,297,338.24	92.55

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald, CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

November 12, 1954.

REPORT PREFAB HOUSES FOR OCTOBER

REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 1954

ADVANCES Total advances made to date - \$1,006,986.42.
No further advances will be made for foundations.

CASH SALES 224 - Four purchasers borrowed from us for
foundation purposes and two of the borrowings
have been repaid.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS 590 of which 162 are @ the rate of 5% interest
& 428 @ 5½%.

BANK OVERDRAFT Balance as @ September 30, 1954 - Cr. \$21,331.44
Balance as @ October 31, 1954 - Dr. 54,148.45

(Overdraft in October due chiefly to repayment of
(\$100,000.00 to City - General Funds.)

TOTAL BORROWINGS

Sept. 30/54	Bank Balance	Cr.	21,331.44	
	Owing City - Genl. Funds	Dr.	700,000.00	Dr.
				\$678,668.56

Oct. 31/54	Bank Overdraft	Dr.	54,148.45	
	Owing City-Genl. Funds	Dr.	600,000.00	Dr.
				654,148.45

INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS IN ARREARS TWO MONTHS OR MORE

43 Accounts totalling - \$4,352.13

The previous month we reported 44 Accounts totalling \$4,563.89

L.G. Fraser,
ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

APPROVALS BY MINISTER OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

The following approvals were reported to Council.

1. Rezoning #1159 Gottingen Street.
2. Rezoning Southeast corner Dutch Village and Bay's Roads
3. Sale of Land Westmount School Ground.

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

Meeting adjourned.

12 o'clock midnight.

November 12, 1954.

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

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

A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N
S P E C I A L M E E T I N G

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.,
November 18, 1954,
5:00 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, Macdonald, 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, A.J. Yeadon, G.F. West and Dr. A.R. Morton.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Extension of 40 hour week City Field.
2. Incinerator Problem.

EXTENSION 40 HOUR WEEK CITY FIELD

The matter of extending the 40 hour week at City Field was considered.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the 40 hour week at City Field be extended to December 31, 1954.

Motion passed.

The City Manager submitted a report respecting Overtime paid to City Field employees as follows:

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

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

Date: November 17, 1954.

Subject: City Field - 40 Hour Week -- Overtime.

A tabulation has been made by our cost section of the Works

November 18, 1954.

Department showing the total overtime paid from January 1, 1954-October 13, 1954. In most cases no regular hours were put in and about 90% of the overtime was paid during the time of snow removal operations.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NO. OF HOURS</u>	<u>COST</u>
\$ 1.59	2,232	\$ 3,548.88
1.71	574	981.54
1.75	484	847.00
1.84	327	601.68
1.90	1,244	2,363.70
2.35	2	4.70
	<u>4,863</u>	<u>8,347.40</u>

Had straight time been paid for this work the cost to the City would have been \$2,782.46 less. It should be remembered if we follow the present practice that these costs could rise with the shorter work week and no Saturday work.

The decision, however, should not be made as a matter of cost but as a matter of principle that overtime is paid only for hours worked in excess of 8 per day or 40 per week.

By following such a policy we would be able to spread the work more at a lower cost and prevent any attempt to pay overtime to men who have already worked a full day or week.

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

Alderman Vaughan suggested that an employee should be paid a 10 cent differential for night work.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the City Manager bargain with the City Field Union on the various points and that instead of the 10 cent differential being paid for regular off-shift, that anyone who works after the regular shift shall be paid the 10 cent differential until he has worked enough hours to be paid at the overtime rate. Motion passed.

INCINERATOR PROBLEM

At this time Mr. Harrison Eddy of the firm of Metcalf and Eddy Boston, Mass. was present to address the Council on the matter of the Incinerator Problem.

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

Motion passed.

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5:20 P.M. Council adjourned.

6:25 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.

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

Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
November 22, 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 Deputy City Clerk joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and MacMillan.

Also present were Messrs. A. A. DeBard, Jr., R. H. Stoddard, A. J. Yeadon, L. M. Romkey and G. F. West.

The meeting was called specially to consider the Incinerator Problem.

At this time Mr. Clarke of the Firm of Greeley and Hansen from Chicago, Engineering Consultants, was present to address the Council on the matter of the Incinerator Problem.

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

8:05 P. M. Council adjourned.

9:30 P. M. Council reconvened, the following members being present Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and MacMillan.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 9:35 P. M.

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MAYOR & CHAIRMAN.

R. H. Stoddard,
Deputy City Clerk.

AFTERNOON SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.
November 30, 1954.
4:05 P.M.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order by the Deputy Mayor 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 Her Worship the Deputy Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz O'Malley Hatfield and MacMellan.

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

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Motion Alderman Lloyd to Reconsider the Observance of Boxing Day.
2. Tenders for Salt.
3. Incinerator Problem.

MOTION ALDERMAN LLOYD TO RECONSIDER THE OBSERVANCE OF BOXING DAY

As several members of Council were not present it was agreed to defer action until the end of the meeting when it was anticipated that the absent members would be present.

4:10 P.M. Aldermen Hatfield and Ahern arrive.

TENDERS FOR SALT

Tenders for salt were received from two firms.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the tenders be opened. Motion passed.

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The tenders were opened as follows:

Burns Fisheries Ltd.	92¢	per 100 lb. bag at warehouse
	94¢	" " City Field
A.M. Smith	96¢	" " warehouse
	1.00	" " City Field

The City Manager stated that a meeting was held with the representatives of the three salt companies and new specifications were worked out that were not as restricted at the former ones.

Alderman DeWolf: "Isn't Smith's tender the same as it was?"

City Manager: "That is right. They were the only tenderer as they were the only ones who could meet the specifications."

Alderman DeWolf: "In this particular case I don't think it is fair to the man who tendered in the first case. Tenders are sacred and should be. The contract might be divided. It might be the fairest way to do it. The Manager might want to consider it."

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the tenders be divided equally.

Alderman O'Malley: "Who drafted the specifications in the first place? Were they not the specifications from A.M. Smith?"

City Manager: "That is true in part."

Alderman O'Malley: "If that is so there is no unfairness in calling tenders again. I am against this business of specifications being drawn by any firm tendering on City business. The specifications should be supplied within the City Hall."

The City Manager stated the Alderman was right to a degree. He cited a case where a merchant in the City said that mattresses were purchased without specifications. The merchant helped to draft specifications but the merchant never sold any to the City since that time.

With respect to salt specifications the Manager stated that had the representative from Burns Ltd. come to the City Officials an amendment could have been made to them but he made his objections after the bids were in.

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Alderman O'Malley: "Within the City of Halifax we have several Departments that are not available in other centres. I think the City Manager and Works Department should be able to gather all the information and draft their own specifications."

Moved an amendment by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the tenders be referred to the Committee on Works for a recommendation. Amendment passed.

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

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 4:20 P.M.

Council reconvened at 5:20 P.M. the following members being present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Hatfield and MacMillan.

MOTION ALDERMAN LLOYD TO RECONSIDER THE OBSERVANCE OF BOXING DAY

Alderman Lloyd: "Following the meeting of Council I took it that the expression of Council was subject to review. I made some inquiries and I found that Simpsons, Eatons and Woods are all closed on December 27. I would say that practically all retail stores would be closed. The persons to whom it is a matter of concern is the banks. I have letters from the banks in my own Ward. Many people who live outside the City will take advantage of the extra day."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the matter of the observance of December 27, 1954 as Boxing Day be reconsidered. Motion passed.

Alderman Ahern stated he had received several communications regarding Boxing Day observance on Monday, December 27th.

Alderman O'Malley: "I felt it was not the responsibility of this Council to decide the issue for a good many business organizations and construction people. Apparently the citizens feel we

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... a much bigger body than I dreamed of. I find that the majority of people are in favor of Monday being declared a holiday."

Alderman Adams: "Are we in order to deal with this?"

City Solicitor: "The motion that passed Council at the last regular meeting was an affirmative one and that can be reconsidered. I don't think the City has any corporate power to declare a public holiday."

He then read the Bills of Exchange Act dealing with this matter.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Boxing Day this year, be observed as a Civic Holiday on Monday December 27, 1954. within the meaning of the Bills of Exchange Act. Motion passed

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

Meeting adjourned. 5:30 P.M.

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COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY
DECEMBER 16, 1954

A G E N D A

Prayer.
Minutes.

1. Presentation to Miss Pamela Dewis and Master David Woodworth.
2. Public Hearing Re: Official Street Lines Bower Road.
3. Amendment to Ordinance #46 Television Antennae (2nd. Reading).
4. Accounts over \$500.00.
5. Claim Mrs. Joy Keeler \$69.00.
6. Appropriation for repointing Halifax Memorial Library \$1,030.42.
7. Authority to pay damages Wood Motors (Nova Scotia) Ltd. vs City of Halifax \$6,636.75.
8. Tax Write Offs \$912.07
9. Sale of Tax Certificates.
10. Sackville Street Widening.
11. Port of Halifax Commission and St. Lawrence Seaway.
12. Gorsebrook Development R.C.A.F.
13. Fleming Glen Subdivision.
14. Dump Additional Land.
15. Fluorescent Lighting Quinpool Road and Gottingen Street.
16. Evaluation of Pension Retirement Fund.
17. National Harbours Board Grant.
18. Sick Leave M.L. Bellew and W.J. Clancey.
19. Special Tax Halifax Chapter Hadassah.
20. Grant Halifax Community Chest.
21. Closing City Collector's Office for taking off Balances.
22. Retirement Mr. Henry Rising.
23. Retirement Mr. Wallace Ferguson
24. Retirement W.L. Bassett, D.A. Beaton and W. Williams.
25. Voters Lists.
26. Authority to extend Rental Control beyond December 31, 1954.
27. Group Life Insurance.
28. Medical Care etc. School Board Employees.
29. International Trade Fair.
30. Nova Scotia College of Art.
31. Angus L. MacDonald Bridge - Land North Street.
32. Resolution Prefab Borrowing.
33. Water Pressure Mulgrave Park School Area.
34. Water Pressure St. Stephen's School.
35. Landscaping Burial Grounds near St. Andrew's School.
36. Leave of Absence City Solicitor.
37. Resubdivision of Lands Dominion Stores Ltd. - Bayers Road.
38. Resubdivision of G.D. Hogan Property Prescott Street.
39. Resubdivision of Mrs. Bayne Hilchie Property Dutch Village Road.
40. Resubdivision Lots 59-62 Hartlen Subdivision Basinview Drive.
41. Request for rezoning 398 Windsor Street.
42. Application to build on undersized Lots C. Dickey, L.E. Weir and J.B. Snowden.
43. Application to build on undersized lot D.M. Tingley.
44. Traffic Circle Windsor Street and Fairview Underpass.
45. Acceptance of Gorsebrook Avenue.
46. Closing of Market Lane.
47. Closing Forrester Street.
48. Grand Street extension.
49. Tenders for Salt.
50. Proposed Sewer extension Connolly Street.
51. Official Street Line Bower Road.

52. Butler Bros. Ltd. Property on Cedar Street.
53. Overhanging Signs.
54. Trachoma Hospital.
55. Settlement of Judgement City of Halifax vs Fisherman's Market Ltd.
56. Notice of Motion by Alderman Dunlop.
57. Appointments Board of School Commissioners.
58. Appointments Halifax Regional Library Board.
59. Unsightly Properties.
60. Questions.
61. Application to build on undersized lot #13 Uniacke Street.

DEFERRED ITEM

Motion by Alderman Ahern Re: Memorial Drive.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY.

City Manager's Administrative Report.
Tax Collections.
Statistical Report Prefab Houses.
Convention Expenses.
Approvals Minister of Municipal Affairs.
Acknowledgement of Grant C.N.I.B.