

CITY OF HALIFAX

MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL

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315 Dutch Village Road	488,533
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Fairview Cemetery Lots	362,400,452,510
905 Gottingen St.	647
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North & Windsor Sts.	617
Pepperell St. (Dominion Stores)	341,393,678,705
592 Robie St.	174,226
Seaboard Investments Ltd.	384,399
Spring Garden Rd. (Optician's Office)	600
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COUNCIL MEETING

THURSDAY
January 13, 1955

A G E N D A

Prayer.
Minutes.

1. Public Hearing Re: Street Lines Bower Road.
2. Motion by Alderman Dunlop re Amendment to Section 30 City Charter.
3. Motion by Alderman Kitz re St. Lawrence Seaway.
4. Motion by Alderman Vaughan re Development Bedford Basin Shore.
5. Accounts over \$500.00.
6. Account J.M. Cleminshaw Co. \$17,850.00
7. Fire Alarm Signal Box McLean Street.
8. Fire Alarm Signal Box H.M.C. Dockvard
9. Five Day Week Medical Staff at Hospitals.
10. Rates I.D. Hospital.
11. Westmount Area Houses - Grants Taxes.
12. Cancellation of Borrowing Resolutions.
13. Airport Land Purchase.
14. Permission to Build on Undersized Lot Duffus Street.
15. Overhanging Signs.
16. Sewer Extension etc. Tobin Street.
17. Sewer Extension and Grading Oxford Street.
18. Requests Co-Operative Housing Groups re Building Lots Fairview Cemetery.
19. Landscaping St. Andrews School.
20. Use of Stearn hovels in City.
21. Resubdivision Mr. I. Zive Property Hollis Street.
22. Expropriation on Imperial Oil Ltd. Land Bedford Basin.
23. Final Certificates Paving, Sidewalks etc.
24. Repairs to Building Spring Garden Road and Brunswick Street.
25. Resolution re Television Ordinance.
26. Automatic Machines.
27. Retirement Hosemen Bassett, Beaton and Williams.
28. Retirement Constable Ferguson.
29. Retirement Commissioner of Finance M.L. Bellew.
30. Retirement George H. German.
31. Borrowing Resolution \$2,000,000.00 in anticipation of Fixing of Tax Rate.
32. Tax Write Offs \$1,895.95.
33. Grant Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society.
34. Grant Halifax Musical Festival.
35. Basinview Housing.
36. Request Canadian March of Dimes Campaign.
37. Request to build on undersized lot #252 Tower Road. (To T.P. Board)

DEFERRED ITEMS

Butler Bros Property Cedar Street.
City Field Union 40 Hour Week.
Rezoning 398 Windsor Street.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Manager's Administrative Report.
Tax Collections
Poll Tax Report.
Statistical Report Prefab Houses.
Letter Minister of Public Health re Trachoma Hospital.

EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.
January 13, 1955.
8.00 P.M.

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

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

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

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

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City Solicitor had brought to his attention that the words "strictly confidential" were showing in the Council Minutes on Page 941, he suggested that the minutes be approved after deleting these words.

Alderman Lloyd: "I don't think the minutes should be changed the matter was confidential when the City Manager reported on it."

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

PUBLIC HEARING Re: STREET LINES BOWER ROAD

A Public Hearing into the matter of laying down a portion of the Official Street Line on the East Side of Bower Road between

EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.
January 13, 1955.
8.00 P.M.

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

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

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

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

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City Solicitor had brought to his attention that the words "strictly confidential" were showing in the Council Minutes on Page 941, he suggested that the minutes be approved after deleting these words.

Alderman Lloyd: "I don't think the minutes should be changed the matter was confidential when the City Manager reported on it."

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

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Tower Road and the Canadian National Railways Right-of-way as shown on Section 20 "B" of the Official City Plan was held at this time.

No persons appeared either in favor of the proposal or against it.

The following resolution was submitted.

W H E R E A S the City Council of the City of Halifax has considered the laying down of a portion of the official street line on the east side of Bower Road between Tower Road and the Canadian National Railways Right-of-way, (being a continuation of the eastern official street line of Bower Road as laid down and confirmed by the City Council on April 13th, 1909.) and shown on Section 20B of the Official City Plan;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of Section 547 of the City Charter public notice of the intention to confirm the portion of the Official City Plan containing a portion of the official street line on the east side of Bower Road between Tower Road and the Canadian National Railways Right-of-way, (being a continuation of the eastern official street line of Bower Road as laid down and confirmed by the City Council on April 13th, 1909,) 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 13th day of January, A.D., 1955, 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 lay the said portion of the official street line, and the date of the meeting of Council appointed for the consideration of the matter, and that the plan showing such portion of the said street line 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;

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AND WHEREAS the Council has considered the said matter and has determined to lay the portion of the street line in the manner set out on said plan filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works and known as Section 20B of the Official City Plan:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that pursuant to the authority in it vested by Section 547 of the City Charter as aforesaid the Official City Plan of the City be amended by laying down a portion of the official street line on the east side of Bower Road between Tower Road and the Canadian National Railways Right-of-way (being a continuation of the eastern official street line of Bower Road as laid down and confirmed by the City Council on April 13th, A.D. 1909.) in the manner shown on the said plan.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the official street line of a portion of the east side of Bower Road between Tower Road and the Canadian National Railways Right-of-way (being a continuation of the eastern official street line of Bower Road as laid down and confirmed by the City Council on April 13th, A.D. 1909.) hereinbefore referred to so laid down be so indicated on the Official Plan of the City and on the copy thereof filed in the Office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

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

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

MOTION ALDERMAN DUNLOP RE: AMENDMENT TO SECTION 30 CITY CHARTER

Alderman Dunlop moved the following: That Section 30 of the City Charter be repealed and the following substituted therefor:

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"Every person of the full age of twenty-one years shall be qualified to vote at any election for Mayor or Alderman."

City Solicitor: "It does not quite tie in with Clauses "B" and "C". Could I suggest that Council permit me to submit a final draft of it tying it in with the other sections?"

Alderman Dunlop: "I will add the words 'subject as herein provided'."

The motion was then seconded by Alderman MacMillan with the further proviso that the City Solicitor would submit the motion in final form when the legislation is considered.

Alderman Lloyd: "Then a member of Council must have the qualifications of a voter."

The City Solicitor then read Section 14 of the City Charter dealing with the qualifications of Mayor and Aldermen.

Alderman Lloyd: "The qualifications for Mayor and Aldermen will still contain those disqualifications but we are taking it away from the voters."

8.20 P.M. Alderman O'Malley arrives.

Alderman Lloyd: "I am worried about taking out "British Subject and Canadian Citizenship. Is the City Solicitor satisfied with the wording?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The wording will come back to you in the draft at the time we consider the legislation."

The motion was then put and passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN KITZ Re: ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that this matter be deferred until the March regular meeting of the City Council. Motion passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN VAUGHAN Re: DEVELOPMENT BEDFORD BASIN SHORE

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the City Council instruct the Mayor to issue an invitation to

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the National Harbours Board, Port of Halifax Commission, Canadian National Railways and such other persons as he may deem fit to meet to discuss the development of the Bedford Basin shore from Pier 9 to Fairview in line with the Seaway Development in the South end of Halifax.

Alderman Vaughan: "I think the planning is extremely necessary for the proper development of the area. Everything necessary for the proper development is in the Bedford Basin site. Deep water is there and dredging is not necessary. Access roads lead to and from it. We have had several examples of the lack of planning in the last few years. I cite for one example the Shannon Park Housing development which was built on Tufts Cove land. A gypsum plant is going in just north of it and Shaws Ltd. are manufacturing some of their products there. Any person driving out the Bedford Road and seeing the Magazine works must be appalled at the wastage of water front property. It should have gone easterly. The Port of Halifax Commission is doing an excellent job in advertising this Port. They are bringing ships in here and this is resulting in a greater lift to the economic life of the City. On several occasions in the recent past, ships have had to wait in the stream for berths. The day is coming when the development in the South end will be completed. It seems that to provide these facilities, the logical direction in which to go, is the North end. I seek the support of the Council for this resolution."

Alderman Ahern referred to the development of the Ocean Terminals in the South end of the City as a blunder. He felt the time was opportune for the Council to take lead on behalf of the citizens and stated it was the duty of the Council to take the leadership. He felt that the development could be brought about by quiet negotiation.

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Alderman Kitz: "I am glad to speak in support of a motion of this kind. The railway fiasco when it was put through 35 years ago, cannot be compared to the present proposition that the Alderman is moving. The last 15 years the City has been growing. We have to remember we are a port City and this is our foundation. We must start at home and make available the carefully planned development of this kind."

Alderman Hatfield stated that the Housing Committee had had discussions with the people at Africville and the Committee was slowly coming to the point when a proposition could be brought to Council. Africville comprised about 3.6 acres on the Basin Shore.

Alderman Vaughan: "The development of this area, if this conference is held and support to the project is given by the other public bodies, assurance must be given to Halifax that development will take place in the very near future."

Alderman DeWolf. "Would Alderman Vaughan like to put in the resolution some money to make a proper survey of the area plus the physical position of the area?"

Alderman Vaughan: "I will introduce another matter later on in the meeting and I will include that in it."

Alderman Moriarty: "One thought we have to keep in mind is that Halifax ends at the Bottleneck. The efforts would be from the Gough area to the Narrows along the Harbour front eliminating the Shipyards and Dockyard. The mistake that was made was the Terminals being South instead of North."

The motion was then put and passed.

REZONING #398 WINDSOR STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of
City Council.
From: Town Planning Board.
Date: December 13th, 1954.
Subject: Request for Rezoning at #398 Windsor Street.

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At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on December 9th 1954 a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending refusal of a request from Mrs. Bunney to rezone her property Lot "K", Windsor Street, to permit the operation of a small snack bar and grocery shop was considered.

The Board agreed to recommend to City Council that this request be refused.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

A petition was submitted from residents protesting the rezoning.

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

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

To: His Worship R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and
Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr..
Date: January 11, 1955.
Subject: Accounts over \$500.00

In accordance with section 110F 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>
Works	S.P. Ziva & Son, Ltd.	Office table, arm chairs, desk, cabinet, mat, waste basket, cloak tree	\$908.40
Works	Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow	Cast Iron Manifolds, pumps, motors	712.12
Works	Murray & Falconer	Sod	857.63
Works	J. MacAskill	Fill for Sidewalks	900.00
Works	Crane Limited	Heaters & Diffusers	2,168.06

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T.B. Hospital	General Electric X-Ray Corporation Limited	Mixing Valve thermostatic for 2 tanks, tube	854.04
Finance Stores	Industrial Machinery Co. Limited	Seal beams and parts for Hough Model HM Payloader, Parts for Anderson Plow	519.90
Finance	R.K. Kelley & Co. Ltd.	Renewals for Surety Bonds for \$273,000.00 for 3 years	1,228.50
Recreation	Standard Paving Maritime Limited	Concrete sidewalk, and asphalt pavement	580.00
Fire	Steel Furnishing Co.	Pillofoam mattresses	613.79
			<u>\$9,342.44</u>

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

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

ACCOUNT J.M. CLEMINSHAW & CO. \$17,850.00

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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 Co. for the amount of \$17,850.00 as a progress payment in connection with their contract for re-assessment.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman DeWolf asked for a progress report on the re-assessment and was advised by the City Manager that it was in the monthly administrative report.

The motion was put and passed.

FIRE ALARM SIGNAL BOX McLEAN STREET

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

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The Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend for approval the attached report from the City Electrician respecting Master Fire Alarm Signal Box at 25 McLean Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

From: A.P. Flynn,
City Electrician

Date: November 10th, 1954

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

Subject: Master Fire Alarm
Signal Box.

Attached is a request I have received from Micmac Agencies Ltd., for permission to have their master fire alarm signal box connected to the City fire alarm system which in turn will be connected to the sprinkler system in their building at 25 McLean Street.

I would recommend that same be granted without yearly charge as this box will be located on McLean Street and will replace city owned box now installed there.

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

A.P. Flynn,
City Electrician.

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

FIRE ALARM SIGNAL BOX H.M.C. DOCKYARD

January 5, 1955.

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

The Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date recommended for approval the attached report from the City Solicitor respecting Agreement between the City and Department of National Defence (H.M.C. Dockyard) - connection of fire alarm signal box No. 1315.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Date: December 15, 1954.

Subject: Re: Agreement between the City and Department of National
Defence (H.M.C. Dockyard) connection of fire alarm signal
box No. 1315.

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The City Electrician left in my office a letter to you from the Commodore Superintendent, HMC Dockyard, Halifax, N.S., relative to the extension of the agreement for the fire alarm connection as above mentioned. Apparently there has been no written agreement heretofore and I have therefore prepared and attach hereto an agreement covering this matter.

You will understand, of course, that the approval of the City is necessary to the execution of such an agreement as this and such approval should be obtained before the agreement is sent to the National Defence authorities for execution. I would suggest that the matter be forwarded to the Safety Committee for a report to the Council.

When the agreement has been approved by Council the agreement in duplicate should be sent to the Commodore Superintendent, HMC Dockyard, Halifax, N.S., in order that the same may be forwarded to the Minister of National Defence at Ottawa for execution. When it has been executed by the Crown it should be returned to the City for execution by the proper officers of the City. One copy should then be returned to the Crown for its files.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR

CPB:EHJ
Encl.

P.S. You will note that the agreement is dated the blank day of January, 1955, and that the sum of \$50.00 is due the City upon the execution of the agreement for the year commencing May 1st, 1954; a further sum of \$50.00 is due on May 1st, 1955, and thereafter each year on the first day of May.

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

FIVE DAY WEEK MEDICAL STAFF AT HOSPITALS

January 5, 1956.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health advising that it is difficult for a 5 day week to be carried out in the case of Dr. Beckwith and Dr. Kloss at the T.B. Hospital as each Doctor can only have every second week-end off because the hospital must operate 7 days a week.

The Commissioner of Health felt the additional time these men spend at the hospital should be compensated and that they be permitted to attend to their private work or contentions dealing with chest or T.B. work in order to make up for their extra time.

Your committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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Chairman and Members
Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

Re: Five-day week Medical Staff at the Hospitals.

On August 20th, I wrote Mr. DeBard a memorandum in reference to the five-day week in the Health Department. My memorandum was included with Mr. DeBard's memorandum to the special Sub-Committee of Council dealing with the five day week.

The Minutes of the special Committee of Council are not at hand and I am not positive of the actual reaction of that Committee to the suggestion made.

Whereas the Hospital must operate on a seven-day basis and whereas Dr. Beckwith and Dr. Kloss must be responsible for the patients during seven days of the week they can only have alternate week-ends off. It is, therefore, felt that the additional time that these men spend at the Hospital should be allowed to accumulate and that they be permitted to attend Post-graduate work or to attend special Conventions dealing only with chest or T.B. work in order to make up for the extra time which they put in.

I have discussed this with Mr. DeBard and we felt that it should be brought to the attention of this Committee for a recommendation to go forward to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen R. Morton, M.D., C.M., M.P.H.,
Commissioner of Health & Welfare.

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

RATES I.D. HOSPITAL

January 5, 1955.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Health respecting the implementation of new rates for the I.D. Hospital and Blue Cross Contract was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

The new rates for the Victoria General Hospital, effective January 1st, are as at hand.

Ward rates, of course, are \$4.00 all inclusive, and the City has Legislation to allow us to now charge that rate to patients treated in our wards as well as to other Municipalities.

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The rate for a Semi-private, six bedded Ward at the V.G. is \$9.50 plus drugs, X-rays and laboratory tests. I would recommend our rate, where our Semi-private are four-bedded Wards, to be \$10.00 per day plus drugs, X-rays and laboratory tests. V.G. two-bedded Semi-private are \$11.00 per day plus drugs, X-rays and laboratory tests. I would recommend that our rate for two-bedded Wards be the same.

Single rooms at the V.G. is \$13.00 per day for a single room with toilet, \$12.00 per day for a single room with toilet and bath. We have two rooms that have toilet accommodations and shower bath off them. I would recommend that these private rooms be charged at the rate of \$13.00 per day plus drugs, X-rays and laboratory tests; and the other private rooms at the rate of \$12.00 per day plus drugs, X-rays and laboratory tests.

In November, I was requested to forward our rates to the Maritime Hospital Service Association who pays for Hospitalization under Blue Cross. I wrote them advising them that the rates had not been set and I have received word back from them that they are operating under their last year's contract and have deferred any changes in Hospital rates for a period of six months.

My understanding of this is that Blue Cross, therefore, will continue to pay our old rates only until such time as our new contract is accepted by them and they have adjusted their Blue Cross Hospital rates to their Policy Holders. Any difference in the Blue Cross rate of last year and our present rate will have to be collected by us during this present period of deferment.

I would, therefore, recommend that if these rates are accepted by City Council, that I be authorized to notify Maritime Hospital Service Association of our new rates, and that when their contract arrives, the authorized signature for the Council by the Mayor and the City Clerk be permitted on it after it has been checked by the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen R. Morton, M.D. C.M., M.P.H.,
Commissioner of Health and Welfare

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

WESTMONT AREA HOUSES -- GRANTS & TAXES

January 10, 1955.

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 the attached report from the City Manager on the subject of Westmont Area Houses - Grants and Taxes and agreed to recommend same to the City Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Date: January 7, 1955.

Subject: Westmount Area houses - grants and taxes.

When we were at the convention of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, Mr. Mansur of Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation mentioned that when 50% of a project is sold by the Corporation, they will pay regular taxes instead of the fixed grant in lieu of taxes.

Alderman Hatfield called to my attention that certain houses in Halifax had fixed taxes of \$65.00 per year per unit. Inquiry of Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation has indicated they are willing to put these houses on a regular tax basis. The present assessments total \$177,450.00 which at the \$3.00 yields \$6,210.75, an increase of \$2,960.75 over the fixed grant of \$3,250.00.

I would recommend authorization to complete the agreement with signature by the Mayor and City Clerk.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
CITY MANAGER.

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

CANCELLATION OF BORROWING RESOLUTIONS

January 10, 1955.

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

A report from the City Manager respecting Cancellation of Borrowing Resolutions amounting to the sum of \$1,821,397.22 was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that application be made to the Minister of Municipal Affairs to have these Borrowing Authorities revoked under the provisions of Section 8A of the Municipal Affairs Act.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested, under the authority of clause (b) of subsection (1) of Section 8A of the Municipal Affairs Act, to revoke to the extent set out in the right-hand column of the schedule hereto attached the respective authorizations granted to the City of Halifax to borrow money.

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

AIRPORT LAND PURCHASE

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

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

Date: January 7, 1955.

Subject: Airport Land Purchase.

The land required for the Airport is located in the "Kelley Lake" area and 32 pieces of property are involved in their entirety or to some degree. About 20 individuals or estates are listed as owners. Eight pieces have delinquent taxes.

The procedure might be one of the following:-

1. To expropriate
2. For administrative officials to deal with the owners and negotiate a price.
3. For an outside representative to negotiate with owners.
4. For a Council committee to negotiate with owners.

I would suggest that negotiations might develop enough actual transactions to establish a price which would be useful for those parcels on which we would have to resort to expropriation.

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

R E S O L V E D that upon an agreement in writing between the City and the Government of Canada being reached, whereby the Government undertakes to accept the land to be acquired by the City as an airport site at Kelley Lake and to reimburse the City for any of the costs of acquisition of the said land in excess of \$100,000.00. that the City will -

- (1) proceed to expropriate the said lands;
- (2) appoint appraisers for the purpose of making an appraisal of the general over-all value of the said lands;
- (3) invite the owners to submit their asking prices for the said land;
- (4) authorize the City Solicitor to secure options for the purchase of such land where the asking prices are consistent with such appraisal.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Messrs. C.W. MacIntosh and G.A. Gladwin be appointed to appraise the general value of the land required for the said airport. ^

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in the event the City Solicitor shall require assistance in searching the titles of the land required for the said airport or in connection with other proceedings to acquire the said land that he be and is hereby authorized to engage the services of Mr. T.H. Coffin, Q.C., for that purpose.

Alderman Dunlop: "I notice we are going to buy land. I thought we were going to pay out money. I don't think it is possible to certify a title of lands clear of mining rights. I think the law is just otherwise. I would think we should notify the Minister that that is the situation in regard to that. I am not seeking to hold this matter up. I think it is to our advantage to buy the land rather than give them \$100,000.00. From my information the land is not worth that. I was told there is a lot of Crown property. I was told by the County Assessor there is approximately 600 acres of Crown Land. This City cannot expropriate Crown land. That has to be cleared up. I don't think at this stage we should appoint appraisers. I would like to know on what terms they would be engaged. A good deal of time could be spent appraising land but I am not saying it will.

The boundaries of this plan are very irregular. It seems to me the survey could be made to take in more land and make the boundaries better. I think we should have some legislation that after we acquire it we can dispose of it. The legislation does not say what we can do with it when we get it. I think these same matters should be cleared up by the Department.

I would suggest we employ as a consultant to this Council Mr. Orville B. Pulsifer; a man who knows this land. He has flown over it and walked over it. I think his advice would be of great assistance in the acquisition of an airport. He is not

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looking for a job. He would be happy to serve in any way that his services would be of value to this Council. He is interested in obtaining an Airport. We should endeavour to clear up the different points so we will know just where we are going."

His Worship the Mayor read the first two lines of the resolution which stated "upon an agreement in writing being reached" a lot of the points mentioned by Alderman Dunlop would be cleared first. "The Minister of Transport expressed the hope that the City would acquire the land. Some of the matters concerning the acquisition of Crown lands are absolutely proper Mining rights was mentioned at the Finance and Executive Committee and it was said we would have to confer with the Provincial Government on the matter. In large measure many of the questions you (Alderman Dunlop) advance would be covered in the preliminary agreement."

Alderman Kitz: "It is to our advantage to buy the land rather than to give the money. If we can buy cheaper, we are that much in."

His Worship the Mayor: "The agreement always was that we would be responsible for the cost of the land up to but not exceeding \$100,000.00."

Alderman Kitz: "If we buy land and pass it to the contractor to go ahead, and if there is any recover by way of timber, we would most likely lose it. We all know that when we are involved in expropriation cases, you run into the question of severance. Often you have to pay more. I trust that our terms of acquiring land will be wide enough so that we will not find ourselves buying uneconomic bits of land. Our right stems from the Provincial source. It is that legislation I am thinking of."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think the most important observation Alderman Dunlop made was after having expropriated, have we the right to convey."

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The City Solicitor then read the legislation concerning the City acquiring land for an airport.

Alderman Kitz: "As I hear the Solicitor read the other parts of the legislation it does get rid on the other pieces. Let's get to work. The appraisers to appraise the land must be a pre-requisite."

Alderman Ahern: "Let's get the land and get on with the job. We need the airport."

Alderman Lloyd: "Most of the points mentioned here tonight were covered by the Finance and Executive Committee. There was complete unanimity among the Committee that we should give such an indication. We said we would notify Ottawa to go ahead and we asked the Solicitor to review the wording of the resolution. We were also aware that with the passage of this resolution, it would be evidence of our sincere intentions to proceed. It would then be up to Ottawa to reply promptly and let us know that they are going ahead and if we needed any legislation to cover these points, it could be back in time for our meeting on legislation in February."

Alderman Hatfield: "We have stated that \$100,000.00 is the maximum amount we are to spend. I have yet to see it in writing."

His Worship the Mayor: "Correspondence from Mr. Chevrier shows that the cost was not to exceed \$100,000.00."

Alderman O'Malley: "My understanding was that the City was committed by a previous Council to contribute a sum up to \$100,000.00. Since that time the site has been abandoned."

His Worship the Mayor: "The original Council had no reference to any site. Several sites were under observation. The Kelley Lake site was not under consideration when the \$100,000.00 was considered."

Alderman O'Malley: "There is no intention on the part of this Council to renig from any commitments made. I think in reference to the fact that should we acquire this property we had to have

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some assurance from the Federal Government that it would be taken over from us for the purposes of an airport. I think we are safeguarding ourselves to the fullest. The points presented by Alderman Dunlop were in the minds of the Committee except the one about the conveyance afterwards."

Alderman Vaughan requested the following to be inserted in the resolution after the word "Lake" in the 4th line thereof: "and construct thereon an airport to be known as the Halifax Airport."

Alderman Dunlop requested the following be inserted in the resolution second paragraph third line after the word "airport"; "and that Mr. Orville B. Pulsifer be engaged in an advisory capacity."

Alderman Lane felt there was no need for the second insertion. She expressed the thought that Alderman Allen was a pilot and he could do the same for the City as Mr. Pulsifer.

The motion including the two insertions was then put and passed with Alderman Lane wishing to be recorded against.

Alderman Lane: "I am against the party on the grounds that it is an indefinite arrangement. We have no idea of the cost to us. There has been no financial arrangements made with Mr. Pulsifer."

His Worship the Mayor: "For the sake of the record you should make it clear you are against the addition of Mr. Pulsifer rather than the whole motion."

Alderman Lane: "That is correct."

PERMISSION TO BUILD ON UNDERSIZED LOT DUFFUS STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.
From: Town Planning Board.
Date: January 3rd, 1955.
Subject: Application to build on undersize lot - Duffus Street

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on December 30th 1954, considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of a request from Mr. D.M. Tingley for permission to erect a single family dwelling on an undersized lot at No. 107.

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Lot 4, Duffus Street, 33' x 100' = 3300 sq. feet.

The Board recommended that permission be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

OVERHANGING SIGNS

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 3rd, 1955.
Subject: Overhanging Signs.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 30th 1954, a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that permission be granted to erect the following signs was approved and recommended to Council:-

#359 Gottingen Street - United Fish Market	\$5.00 Illuminated
#184 Quinpool Road Halifax Funeral Home Ltd -	5.00 "
#523 Barrington Street - Prince Clothing Store Ltd -	5.00 "
#244 Gottingen Street - Day-Nite Neon Signs Ltd -	18.00 "
#290 Barrington Street - P. Karas -	5.00 "

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per. J.B. Sabeau,
Clerk of Works

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 10th, 1955.
Subject: Overhanging Signs.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on January 6th, 1955,

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approved a recommendation from the Commissioner of Works that permission be granted to erect the following overhanging signs:-

A.H. Jacobson
#115 Lower Water Street - \$8.00 Illuminated

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

SEWER EXTENSION ETC. TOBIN STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 3rd, 1955.
Subject: Tobin Street Sewer.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on December 30th 1954, considered the attached report from the City Engineer recommending that about 400 feet of the existing nine inch sewer be replaced with a fifteen inch sewer pipe, and that a further extension be made, making the total cost \$4,850.00; \$2,250.00 to be charged to the 1954 Capital Borrowing for Sewer Capital and the additional amount of \$2,600.00 to be charged to the Sewer Rehabilitation Account.

The Committee approved and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Mr. G.F. West, Commissioner of Works
A.C. Harris, City Engineer.
December 30, 1954
Tobin Street Sewer.

In making up the 1954 Capital Borrowing for Sewer Construction the amount of \$2,250.00 was allowed for an extension of the Tobin Street Sewer. Difficulty was experienced in finding the existing dead end of this sewer, due to it having been laid many years ago, and the records kept were not enough to show the actual location.

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Further investigation was made, and it has been found that a considerable section of the existing Tobin Street Sewer was only nine inches in diameter, is fairly shallow and in a very poor condition. It is therefore recommended that about four hundred feet of the existing nine inches be replaced with a fifteen inch sewer pipe, and a further extension be made, making the total cost \$4,850.00.

To do this, it would require an additional amount of \$2,600.00, and it is requested that authority be granted to take this out of the Sewer Rehabilitation Account.

A.C. Harris.
CITY ENGINEER.

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

SEWER EXTENSION AND GRADING OXFORD STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 3rd, 1955.
Subject: Sewer Extension and Grading - Oxford Street.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 30th 1954, the matter of grading the extension of Oxford Street and laying sewer was again considered.

The Committee recommended that the street be developed as the Commissioner of Works has material to do it.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

REQUESTS CO-OPERATIVE HOUSING GROUPS Re: BUILDING LOTS FAIRVIEW
CEMETERY

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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 City Manager respecting Requests Co-operative Housing Groups re Building Lots - Fairview Cemetery was considered.

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It was decided to request that the matter be deferred for a report from the Commissioner of Works.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
City Clerk.

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

LANDSCAPING ST. ANDREW'S SCHOOL

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 3rd, 1955.
Subject: Landscaping - St. Andrew's School.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 30th 1954, the attached report from the City Manager in regard to landscaping the approaches and yards of St. Andrew's School was considered.

The Committee recommended that the work of removing the graves be carried out and the available space to be used for the school.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Read report from the Board of School Commissioners as follows:

January 11th., 1955

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

Dear Mr. DeBard: Landscaping St. Andrew's School.

I beg to advise you that a meeting of the Board held January 10th., 1955 the following Resolution was unanimously adopted.

"That the matter be left to the proper person to use his imagination and good taste in beautifying and grading the grounds surrounding St. Andrew's School, planting trees and generally doing whatever was necessary to give best appearance to the grounds.

"That the work be done by the City at a cost not to exceed \$33,000.00, it being understood that the Board would allot from its authorized borrowing such balance as might be left over on

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completion of School said balance estimated to be in the vicinity of \$5,000.00."

Yours very truly,

H.F. Bezanson,
Secretary - Treasurer.

Alderman Ahern: "We should look into the matter to see if there is a sum for perpetual care of the graves put up by the White Star line."

Alderman Dunlop stated that the Ministerial Association had no objection to the removal of the graves.

Alderman O'Malley: "Have we the assurance that the Ministerial Association have the full knowledge of the extent of the number of graves that are enclosed in the area? We were told that there were 850 burials."

City Manager: "I don't think the number of graves was mentioned at that time."

Alderman Ahern made reference to the use of a bulldozer to remove the graves to which His Worship the Mayor stated there was no intention of any such use going to be made. He advised it was going to cost \$10,000.00 to remove the graves.

Alderman Vaughan: "I think it is impossible to remove all those graves. Mr. Stairs suggested the records are incomplete. It is impossible to determine where all the graves are. I suggest it seems to be an indecent way of treating the bodies of the citizens of the past. There are some members of the Royal Navy and Merchant ships. There are many burials of the explosion victims. This burial ground is divided. I suggest that nobody in the north end is going to support any action that will disturb those bodies. Some bodies were not put down to the normal depth. I suggest the area be sodded and a fence erected around there. I will come to Council at a later date and ask that funds be provided for the landscaping of this area. When this is properly fenced and

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lawns there nobody will know."

Alderman Lloyd: "To leave the graves undisturbed is certainly the most desirable thing if you can accomplish your purpose. There is a difference in capital outlay. The difference was \$6,000.00. The \$33,000.00 might be lessened because of the landscaping. I am inclined to favor the suggestion that came from the School Board as the most practical one."

Alderman Lane: "I went out to St. Andrew's school. The side on the left contains some of the bodies of the unidentified dead and a monument still exists. I can see no objection to it remaining. The stones bear no relation to the bodies beneath them. The plot where the 850 bodies exist is not a plot in any sense of the word. It is a mound of earth. It bore no relation to a burial ground. In order for the school to be visible from the road, that has to be levelled."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lane that the report of the School Board be approved after inserting the names of Mr. Snook, Town Planning Engineer and Mr. Stairs, Superintendent of Fairview Cemetery in place of the words "proper person" in the first line of the second paragraph.

Alderman DeWolf: "I thought the removal of the graves would not be as befitting as beautifying the grounds. It seems that most people don't want the graves removed."

Alderman Dunlop: "The resolution of the Board is designed to make no removal at all. We know there has already been some removals. I think there are 850 graves. The American Army moves bodies all over the world. My objection to the graves is the children. When I was small I was frightened of grave yards. I think it would take considerable fence at a considerable cost. If there had been time those explosion victims would never have been buried there. They should have a proper monument and a much larger one. I am convinced when the children go in the school the Home and School Association will want them removed."

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Alderman Hatfield: "I think the Aldermen in Ward 7 should consult the people in the area and get their reaction."

Alderman Lloyd: "If we favor removal of the bodies from the present area, you will have to put them in separate graves and how can you defend yourself without doing that? Your costs will be very much greater in the long run. Mr. Stairs and Mr. Snook can lay this out in the re-location of stones. It can best be decided by the two individuals."

Alderman O'Malley: "The thought of the members of the Board in drafting the resolution was primarily to avoid what is taking place here tonight. To fully inform the Council it was the recommendation of the Supervisor of Schools that the Board endorse a resolution asking Council to remove the graves. When we were made aware of the situation as it now exists I don't think any member of the Board felt they wanted to go along with the Supervisor in his desires. The play area of St. Mary's school was at one time a burial ground. If we adopt the recommendation of the Committee on Works, where does the matter lay then when it gets back to the School Board if the Board does not wish these graves removed?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The land doesn't belong to the Board. These portions of land were never indicated to the Board as part of their premises. The title is in us."

Alderman O'Malley: "I think it is better to follow the resolution of the Board even if the graves are removed at a later date."

The City Solicitor then read the legislation describing the area used for school purposes.

Alderman Vaughan: "I did not want any portion of that area used for cemetery purposes disturbed."

Alderman Hatfield: "The people out there will want the graves removed in the long run. The Home and School Association will be here after the school is opened asking that it be done."

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Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works.

Motion passed.

USE OF STEAM SHOVELS IN CITY

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 3rd, 1955.
Subject: Use of Steam Shovels in City

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on December 30th 1954, the matter of the use of Coal Burning Steam Shovels in the City was considered.

The Committee recommended that the City Solicitor include in the Legislation re smoke nuisance some provision in respect to coal burning steam shovels and equipment used in the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

RESUBDIVISION OF MR. M.I. ZIVE PROPERTY ON HOLLIS STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of
the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 10th, 1955.
Subject: Resubdivision of Manuel I. Zive - Hollis Street.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on January 6th 1955 the Town Planning Engineer submitted a plan of resubdivision of land of Manuel Zive and Alta. Warren, showing a section to be taken from their lands and added to the land of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co. Ltd.

He recommended that a report of approval be referred to City Council and that no public hearing be held.

The Board approved same as shown on Plan No. 00-7-12940

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per. J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works

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

EXPROPRIATION OF IMPERIAL OIL LTD LAND BEDFORD BASIN

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of
the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 10th, 1955.
Subject: Expropriation of Land - Imperial Oil Ltd - Bedford Basin

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on January 6th 1955, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works relative to expropriation of land on the shores of Bedford Basin, owned by the Imperial Oil Ltd., required for refuse disposal purposes was considered.

The Committee recommended that Mr. George Schurman be appointed appraiser, if he will act, and expropriation proceedings undertaken when City Council receives a report from the appraiser on the value of the land.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

To: His Worship the Mayor Chairman and
Members of the Committee on Works.
From: G.F. West, Commissioner of Works.
Date: January 6th, 1955.
Subject: Expropriation of land - Imperial Oil Ltd. - Bedford Basin

Certain land on the shores of Bedford Basin, owned by the Imperial Oil Ltd., is required for Refuse Disposal purposes and City Council at its regular meeting December 16th, 1954, instructed the City Manager to start expropriation proceedings to acquire the land.

A value of \$36,800.00 has been placed on the land in question by a team of independent appraisers, engaged by the Imperial Oil Ltd.

The City Assessor values the land at \$29,620.80. Mr. Yeadon arrived at this figure by allowing 40 cents per square foot for the 74,052 square feet of land not covered by water and placed no value on the land under water.

Attached hereto is Plan No. 2-12931, showing the property involved outlined in Red and a Description of same in accordance with Section 626 of the City Charter.

It is recommended that this Committee appoint independent appraisers before initiating expropriation proceedings.

G.F. West,
Commissioner of Works.

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

FINAL CERTIFICATES PAVING, SIDEWALKS, ETC.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of
the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 10th, 1955.
Subject: Final Certificates.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on January 6th 1955, the following final certificates were approved and recommended for payment:-

Standard Paving Maritime Ltd -

Permanent Paving - \$77,218.51

Permanent Patching - 6,528.06

Walker and Hall Ltd. -

Permanent Sidewalks, Curbs and Gutter 43,960.56

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

REPAIRS TO BUILDING SPRING GARDEN ROAD AND BRUNSWICK STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the
City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: January 10th, 1955.
Subject: Veteran Firemen - Repairs to Building.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on January 6th 1955, the question of making some repairs to the building occupied by the Veteran Firemen was considered.

The Committee recommended that \$1,000.00 be made available to make minimum repairs to put this building in usable condition and make it tight for a four year period.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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Alderman Dunlop: "If this building is of historical value, we might consider spending considerable more money on it and also get the legislation amended so we will not have to tear it down. It is the oldest fire station standing in the City."

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works to look into the historical value and see if it is worthwhile keeping.

Motion passed.

AMENDMENT ORDINANCE #46 "TELEVISION"

January 10, 1955.

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 approval the attached resolution respecting amendments to Ordinance #46.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

W H E R E A S at meetings of the City Council held on the 12th day of November, 1954, and the 16th day of December, 1954, certain amendments to Section 1 of Ordinance No. 46, respecting the erection, etc., of structures to carry television antennae, were passed.

AND WHEREAS the said amendments were submitted to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

AND WHEREAS the Minister of Municipal Affairs has approved of the said amendments subject to a suggested amendment that the authority to revoke licenses under the said Ordinance be vested in the City Council rather than in the Commissioner of Works but granting to the said Commissioner of Works authority to suspend such licenses and report thereon to the City Council.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the said amendments as passed at the said meetings of the City Council of November 12th, 1954 and December 16th, 1954 be further amended by striking out the sentence in clause (a) of Section 1 of said Ordinance No. 46 and

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substituting therefore the following:

The Commissioner of Works may suspend 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. The Commissioner of Works shall report any such suspension to the next regular meeting of the Council to be held following such suspension. The Council shall consider such report and may revoke such suspension or continue the same for such period as it may determine or may cancel the license so suspended by the Commissioner of Works.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said amendments so passed at the said meetings of the Council as herein amended be and the same are hereby adopted.

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

AMENDMENT SECTION 510 CITY CHARTER - AUTOMATIC MACHINES

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

A report from the City Solicitor respecting Automatic Machines was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date, and after hearing Mr. Aubrey J. Halter speak on behalf of companies who operate Identification disc typers and auto-photo cameras it was agreed to recommend that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature to amend section 510D sub-section 4 clause C of the City Charter to exclude therefrom coin operated photo machines, machines vending tokens and machines vending postage stamps.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

VISIT OF CHIEF OF POLICE OAKES ST. JOHN, N.B.

At this time His Worship the Mayor introduced Chief of Police Oakes of St. John, N.B. and stated he was a welcome visitor to this City.

RETIREMENT BASSETT, BEATON AND WILLIAMS

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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

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above date considered the matter of Supplementary Grants for Hosemen W.L. Bassett, Daniel A. Beaton and Walter Williams who have been superannuated effective December 31, 1954 at an annual allowance of \$1,789.00.

It was decided to recommend that Supplementary Grants be not considered for these three.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman MacMillan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration. Motion passed.

RETIREMENT CONSTABLE W. FERGUSON

January 10, 1955.

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 the matter of a Supplementary Grant for Constable Wallace Ferguson who has been retired under the provisions of the new Superannuation Plan effective as from December 31, 1954 at an annual allowance of \$830.01.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay Mr. Ferguson an annual allowance of \$958.99 in addition to that which he is receiving from the Superannuation Plan effective as from January 1, 1955.

Your Committee also recommends that Mr. Ferguson be carried on the pay roll at the amount of the Supplementary Grant until such time as legislation referred to above is obtained.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Dunlop: "Have we any policy in regard to grants in addition to superannuation? I thought when a person went on pension that ended it."

His Worship the Mayor: "The superannuation plan was set up with that end in view and it only has come into effect recently. They do not receive an amount which is consistent with the salary from the fund itself. Council has augmented the amount from the plan by a grant."

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Alderman Dunlop: "Could that not be worked out mathematically. I believe in equality for everyone."

Alderman Lloyd stated he tried to find some formula and that it may be possible to achieve what Alderman Dunlop suggested.

Alderman Vaughan: "We might appoint a sub-committee from the Finance and Executive Committee to meet and discuss the matter with the Manager."

His Worship the Mayor: "We were guided by what we did for Bassett, Beaton and Williams in setting what we gave Ferguson."

Chief Mitchell advised that Constable Ferguson had been stricken from the payroll.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that Mr. Ferguson's case be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee and that he be carried on the payroll of the Police Department for the difference between \$1,789.00 and his superannuation until the matter is finalized. Motion passed.

SUB-COMMITTEE ON SUPERANNUATION FORMULA

The following sub-committee was named by His Worship the Mayor and agreed to by Council: Aldermen Lloyd, Vaughan, MacMillan and Dunlop.

RETIREMENT MR. M.L. BELLEW

His Worship the Mayor: "In his letter of resignation he expressed his satisfaction to serve the City for more than 30 years. All in all he wrote what I considered to be an excellent letter of resignation. He explained the condition of his health. He asked to be resigned effective as of the end of January. The Retirement Committee met and agreed that he be retired on superannuation at the date which this Council selected for the termination of his employment. He is now in a most critical condition and it is unlikely that he will live much longer. That puts him in the position that should he die before he reaches his early retirement date his superannuation will not become effective and

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he will be entitled to receive from the fund only the amount of his contributions. If he retires when he is living his estate will be entitled to a guaranteed 60 monthly payments of his superannuation to which he is entitled. I am asking Council, notwithstanding Mr. Bellew's request he be retired January 31, 1955, that he be retired as of tonight."

Mr. Romkey, Deputy Commissioner of Finance, submitted the revised figures should Council approve Mr. Bellew's retirement as of the date of this meeting, January 13, 1955 as follows:

Superannuation Plan	\$2,087.95
Grant	<u>2,052.05</u>
	4,140.00

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that Mr. Bellew's resignation be accepted and he be retired as of January 13, 1955 and that legislation be secured at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay him an annual grant of \$2,052.05 in addition to his superannuation allowance.

Alderman Dunlop: "Is this the same formula that was used for the firemen?"

His Worship the Mayor: "This \$4,140.00 is based on 3/5ths. of Mr. Bellew's average salary over the last three years of his employment."

Alderman Dunlop: "This will be the highest superannuated man in the City employ. I would take it that we are now laying down policy for the future."

His Worship the Mayor: "I would say it is not quite fair to say we are laying down a policy."

Alderman Lloyd: "This was done as a guide until we can enunciate a policy."

The motion was then put and passed.

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kitz that His Worship the Mayor prepare a suitable expression of appreciation of Mr. Bellew's service to the City and same be incorporated in the City Council minutes. Motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION FOR POSITION OF COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

Alderman Hatfield: "We should instruct the City Manager to bring in a report of a proposed appointment at an early date."

RETIREMENT MR. GEORGE GERMAN

January 10, 1955.

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 the matter of a Supplementary Grant to Mr. George German a former employee of the Board of School Commissioners who has been retired under the provisions of the new Superannuation Plan.

Your Committee recommends that Legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay Mr. German an annual allowance of \$388.28 effective as from January 1, 1955 in addition to the amount he is entitled to receive under the Superannuation Plan.

Your Committee also recommends that Mr. German be carried on the pay roll at the amount of the Supplementary Grant until such time as the enabling legislation is obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

BORROWING RESOLUTION \$2,000,000.00 IN ANTICIPATION OF FIXING TAX RATE

January 10, 1955.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that the attached report from the Deputy Commissioner of Finance respecting borrowing from the Royal Bank of Canada be approved.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and
Executive Committee.
From: P.L.M. Romkey, Deputy Commissioner of Finance.
Date: January 6, 1955

Your Worship and Aldermen:

For the purpose of providing funds necessary to meet the expenditures as defined in Section 351 of the City Charter, in anticipation of fixing of the tax rate for the Civic Year 1955 I recommend that the City Council authorize the borrowing, under the same section, from the Royal Bank of Canada, the sum of \$2,000,000.00.

Yours very truly,

P.L.M. Romkey,
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

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

TAX WRITE-OFFS

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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 that Uncollectible Tax Accounts amounting to the sum of \$1,895.93 be written off under the authority of Section 283 Sub-section 2 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

GRANT CANADIAN ARTHRITIS AND RHEUMATISM SOCIETY

January 10, 1955.

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 Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society for exemption from taxation on the premises occupied by it as an office on Spring Garden Road.

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It was agreed to recommend that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay annually to the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society a sum equal to the amount the Society is required to pay in taxes effective as from January 1, 1955.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

GRANT HALIFAX MUSICAL FESTIVAL

January 10, 1955.

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 Halifax Musical Festival for an additional grant to take care of transportation costs.

It was agreed to recommend that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay a further sum of \$250.00 annually to the Halifax Musical Festival in addition to the sum of \$500.00 previously provided for.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Dunlop: "I think that matter should be considered by the School Board. I would suggest that for next year."

BASINVIEW HOUSING GROUP - LEGISLATION

January 10, 1955.

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 from the City Solicitor respecting Basinview Housing Company - expropriation and recommended same to City Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

January 13, 1955.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and
Executive Committee.
From: Carl P. Bethune, Q.C., City Solicitor.
Date: January 10, 1955.
Subject: Re: Basinview Housing Company - expropriation.

Your Worship and Aldermen:

You will recall that in May 1954 it was decided to sell certain lots of land to the Basinview Housing Company for cooperative building purposes, insofar as the City had title to do so, and that it request the Province to expropriate the remaining land required and convey it to the City, which in turn would convey it to the Company for the aforesaid purpose. The land which the Province was requested to expropriate was land set apart as streets in the original subdivision but which, due to a resubdivision, no longer constitutes streets.

The matter has been in the hands of the Provincial authorities since May 1954 and has apparently been under consideration as I have today received a letter from the Department of the Attorney General in which it is stated that in view of the uncertainty of the present owners of the land proposed to be expropriated and other rights which may exist with respect to a public right of user over such lands it was not deemed to be a proper case for expropriation under the Expropriation Act. It is therefore suggested that the matter of vesting title in the City is one which should be dealt with by the Legislature.

I therefore recommend that the course which I suggested in May be followed, namely that legislation be secured vesting the title of the land formerly constituting streets in the City and granting to the City the right to close the same to public use and convey the same to such persons and for such sum as the City may determine.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

REQUEST CANADIAN MARCH OF DIMES CAMPAIGN

A request was received from the Canadian March of Dimes for permission to use the parking meters as a means of raising funds for the campaign against polio. Those who use the meters place a dime in same as their contribution to the cause. The campaign period set is from January 17 to 31 inclusive.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the request be granted. Motion passed.

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REQUEST TO BUILD ON UNDERSIZED LOT #252 TOWER ROAD

An application was received from Mr. Fletcher S. Smith to build an apartment house on an undersized lot at #252 Tower Road.

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

COUNCIL MEETINGS

His Worship the Mayor: "In order to complete our budget there will be some further meetings. There is the matter of legislation also. There will be a Council meeting on January 24th for legislation and at that meeting it is anticipated we will discuss the legislation necessary to adjust the tax rate. Council on the 26th. will be for estimates."

The City Manager was commended by Council for presentation of the current budget so early in the year.

HIGH EXPLOSIVES

Alderman Ahern: "I have been informed that high explosives are being handled at Pier B. I would like to know if that is right?"

City Manager: "The Fire Chief advises me every time explosives are being moved. Chief MacGillivray does a good job and it is not likely that anything would happen. Firemen are right on the scene. We are doing the best we can."

His Worship the Mayor: "There is also Police protection given on each of these occasions. I feel that every reasonable precaution is being taken."

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN O'MALLEY Re: PERMANENT SHORE PATROL

Alderman O'Malley gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he would move that City Council take the necessary steps to request the Naval Defence Department to maintain a permanent trained Shore Patrol to work in co-operation with the City Police Department.

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His Worship the Mayor: "It has been a matter of discussion between the Naval Authorities and the Chief of Police relative to the matter. Chief Mitchell did ask the Naval Authorities and the reply was that such a plan had been considered but was not going to be proceeded with. The decision is a decision of the Department and not necessarily of the local Commanding Officer."

Alderman Lloyd: "I would be happy to relay to you whatever information I have on the matter. Representatives of the Naval Authorities, the Mayor, Chief of Police and Alderman O'Malley could have a conference on it. I thought it might be forwarded to Ottawa."

BOTTLENECKS ARMDALE & FAIRVIEW

Alderman Hatfield stated that from reading press reports concerning the bottlenecks the onus was on the City to appoint a committee to deal with all concerned. He advised the Provincial Government had said it was ready to proceed and provide the necessary funds.

His Worship the Mayor: "Within the last two weeks I received a communication from the Minister of Highways requesting permission for a conference on the engineering level. He has asked our engineers on the Armdale problem to confer with our engineers to agree on a proposal that can be brought forward. There is an honest intention and desire that steps be taken to deal with that situation so that traffic will be unimpeded."

Mr. West: "Mr. Thompson said they were worried about the Armdale and Fairview bottlenecks."

Alderman Krutz: "It would help if there were a committee."

Alderman Hatfield: "The committee should meet with the other City and come back with how much the City should pay."

His Worship the Mayor: "After the Fulton report was presented and the conference held, there was substantial agreement between the City and Province with the possible exception that the Province would not be satisfied."

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City Manager: "I think the trolley coach situation has changed and the Province has changed its attitude."

His Worship the Mayor: "The Province objected to the fact that the trolley coach would have to use the rotary."

Alderman Kitz: "It is a junction of civic and non-civic roads. We would be called upon to pay our share."

Alderman Dunlop: "I have not heard that the County of Halifax would pay a share for the development of the roads. We have a lot of automobiles here who pay gas tax and license. Heavy vehicles wear our roads out and we don't get anything from the Provincial Government."

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Kitz, that a committee consisting of His Worship the Mayor and 3 members of Council be appointed to meet the Premier and discuss the bottle-necks. Motion passed.

The following were then named as the Committee with the approval of Council: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Hatfield, Kitz and Dunlop.

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN VAUGHAN Re: - INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

Alderman Vaughan gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he would move that legislation be sought for the establishment of an Industrial Development Commission and that the Province of Nova Scotia be requested to contribute 60% of the current budget of the Commission.

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN DUNLOP TO AMEND SECTIONS 17 & 18A (1) CITY CHARTER

Alderman Dunlop gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he would move that legislation be sought to amend Section 17 of the City Charter by adding to subsection (a) the following words "or a member of the Legislative Assembly Nova Scotia, House of Commons or Senate of Canada"., and to Section 18A (1) of the City Charter by adding the following subsection (c) "accepts a nomination as a candidate for election to the

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House of Assembly of the Province of Nova Scotia or for the House of Commons or is appointed to the Senate of Canada."

He advised that this amendment was not to affect any present member of Council nor the present Mayor.

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN DUNLOP Re: EXTENDING BOUNDARIES OF THE CITY

Alderman Dunlop gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he would move that legislation be passed to extend the boundaries of the City of Halifax to the middle of the Halifax Harbour and Northwest Arm.

MEETING CITY MANAGER SYSTEM

Alderman Lloyd referred to the matter of calling a meeting of Council to discuss the City Manager system and felt it would be wise to hold it before the civic election in April. He felt the question of the person was a responsibility of the Council but the system might be a public issue. He asked the Council to consider the wisdom of such action. He contended there was a great deal of merit in reviewing the matter. He said there would be some confusion on the matter in an election campaign that would take place in April.

FIRE DEPARTMENT - HOURS AND HAZARDS

Alderman Lloyd submitted the following report:

Fire Department

Two Platoons - 24 hrs. on duty and 24 hrs. off.

While on duty some one is on floor watch every minute of the day and night.

Members cover men on sick leave as well as their own share of duty.

Hazards

Since 1900 fifteen members of the Department have been killed while responding to or working at fires. During the last ten years five active members of the Department have passed with heart ailments. Others, numbering three, have died shortly after going on pension from heart ailments while two others have died from injuries received during the course of their duties, after receiving their pension. Heart ailments in firemen have been attributed to the excitement created by the rush of responding to, and getting ready to fight the fires,

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and the atmosphere in which they work. Heart diseases are a common cause of death among firemen. As well as the above mentioned hazards there are the unexpected and unforeseen ones which are responsible for the injuries received by members of the Department. Some of the injuries received have been the cause of a number of men being pensioned and the direct cause of two of their deaths. Other members have suffered the loss of a limb as a result of the injuries received. During 1933 thirty-two members received injuries while fighting fires. During fire fighting operations the members are faced with the fumes, heat, smoke and gases which are given off by the materials burning. This has been found to be responsible for the starting of T.B. in firemen all over the country.

The Department responded to a total of 1426 fires in 1933. One-third of them occurred after midnight. Taking into consideration the floor watch done by the men and the number of calls received after midnight the average number of hours spent in duty by any one member of the Department is four.

Contrary to the belief of some laymen the hoseman must at times use his own judgement and initiative. Just as an example, upon arrival of the Department at a fire which occurred at 736 Maynard Street in December the members were informed that a child was in the basement apartment. Without hesitation or direction pump operator B. Walker and hoseman G. Duggan entered the building and removed the child to safety. At every fire occasions arise which must be dealt with on the spur of the moment. If, as was implied the hoseman had to wait for direction serious consequences could follow.

He said that wrong impression had gotten around respecting the Fire Department employees and it would be unfortunate to have reflections made about one Department by a representative of another group.

INCINERATOR PROBLEM

Alderman Vaughan: "What is being done about the incinerator problem?"

City Manager: "We are waiting a written report from Mr. Eddy."

HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION

Alderman DeWolf: "During the next ten days Council will be looking around for extra dollars. I think we have to explore every avenue for additional revenue. The Halifax Relief Commission does pay us taxes on the properties they own on a basis of 12%. The Relief Commission is in the same position as any landlord. To be fair they should pay on the basis of 10%. Could the Mayor write to the Commission and ask if they would consider for this

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

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

Date: January 12, 1955

Subject: Monthly Administrative Report for December, 1954.

1. Report on Emergency Shelters Leases.

(1) Delbert Murphy	Apt. 7, 1446 Barrington St.	46.00
(1) John J. Wiltz	14B, Wellington Court	45.00
(2) Theodore Clarke	3E, Wellington Court	40.00
(2) Charles H. Probert	15G, Wellington Court	47.00
(1) Eviction		
(2) Transferred from Sachville Street		

2. Electrician's Department.

273 wiring inspections made, permit income	1,387.13
12 broken glasses replaced	
2 new street lights on Elliott Street	
1 " " " " Hanover Street	
1 " " " " Leitch Street	

3. Streets and Sewers.

Square yards of streets graded	4,500
Tons of hot pitch used on paved streets	25.5
Tons of cold pitch used on covered & ciled streets	48
Cubic yards of material used on streets	1,200
Number of square yards of sidewalk repairs	50
Lineal feet of curb & gutter repaired & replaced	55
Number of new street signs	3
" " " " " maintained	10
" " slabs raised by mud jacks	12
" " curbs repaired	5
" " " constructed	9
" " junctions installed	10
Miles of street swept by hand	300
" " " " " mechanical sweeper	86
Number of catchbasins cleaned	259
Lineal feet of new sewers constructed	622

4. Garbage and Refuse.

3,219 tons of refuse and refuse was collected of which 919 tons were burned to ash or with 1,430 tons of privately collected materials. Total amount used 2,349 tons with the incinerator in operation 357 tons.

5. Snow and Ice Control

6 miles of street salted, 115 tons of salt used in November.
56 miles of street salted, 1117 tons of salt used in December.

	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>Dec.</u>	<u>Total</u>
Equipment maintained	\$603.96	\$527.46	1131.42
Painting snow signs	198.40	81.34	279.74
" snow plows	130.41	-	130.41
" sand boxes	327.64	129.74	457.38
Filling & placing sand boxes	-	152.58	152.58
Instructing Relief Operators	42.72	51.52	94.24
Stores	527.40	86.69	614.09
Salt Purchased	247.50	1237.50	1485.00
Salting Streets	215.46	581.61	797.17
Removing Snow from City property	.	43.18	43.18
	<u>\$2293.59</u>	<u>\$2891.62</u>	<u>\$5185.21</u>

6. Revaluation

The first, second, fourth and fifth wards have been measured. The measurers are currently working in the third ward. Approximately 60% of all properties have been measured.

Residential and commercial listers are currently inspecting properties of the first, second and third wards. Listers have completed the field inspections of the fourth and fifth ward properties. Approximately 40% of all properties have been inspected.

Over-all progress 40% completed.

7. Claims Settled - Insurance.

Larry O'Connell Playground fence & trees	348.00
Angyle St. Parking Meter	10.00
31 companies, hurricane damage City Field.	
City Prison & Incinerator	1,501.00
Parking meter	20.00
Prefab - John D. Brown - 3 claims	129.13
Emergency Shelters	16.86

A. A. DeBard

City Manager.

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year paying us the same rate as a multiple owner. It would amount to an extra nine or ten thousand dollars. They are greatly in excess of funds required for paying pensions. It might be worth a try."

IDENTIFICATION ASSESSORS

Alderman Ahern suggested better identification for the men employed by the Cleminshaw Company as complaints had been received in this respect.

City Managers: "Each one has a letter and we did advise the people in the paper that these people had identification."

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT FOR DECEMBER

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

POLL TAX REPORT

A report was submitted from the Deputy Commissioner of Finance advising that Poll Tax collections showed an increase of \$544.85 over last year for the quarter ending December 31, 1954 and also an increase of \$2,892.01 in collections of current accounts for the year. The total cash collections on current and past assessments for the year showed a decrease of \$1,145.39.

FILED

PREFAB REPORT MONTH OF DECEMBER

Report for the Month of December 1954

CASH SALES 232 - Four purchasers borrowed from us for foundation purposes and two have been repaid.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS 582 of which 162 are @ the rate of 4% interest & 420 @ 5½%.

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BANK OVERDRAFT Balance as @ November 30, 1954 - \$638,425.19
Balance as @ December 1954 606,308.11

INSTALMENT PAYMENTS IN ARREARS TWO MONTHS OR MORE

53 Accounts totalling - \$5,503.15

The previous month we reported 46 Accounts totalling \$4,443.84.

L.G. Fraser,
ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

LETTER MINISTER OF HEALTH Re: TRACHOMA HOSPITAL

A letter was submitted from the Minister of Health of the Province of Nova Scotia advising that there is no intention on the part of the Government to utilize the Trachoma Hospital for general hospital purposes.

FILED

APPROVAL REGULATIONS ON STABLES, BYRES ETC.

Regulations respecting Stables, Byres etc. which were approved by the Public Health and Welfare Committee, were approved by the Governor in Council on December 15, 1954.

FILED

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF DECEMBER 1954

<u>CIVIC YEAR</u>	<u>RESERVES</u>	<u>O/S BALANCE NOVEMBER 1954</u>	<u>NEW ACCOUNTS & ADJUSTMENTS</u>	<u>DECEMBER 1954 COLLECTIONS</u>	<u>O/S BALANCE DECEMBER 1954</u>
1952	65,337.29	126,906.87 Cr	115.08	10,510.83	116,370.86
1953	72,821.26	283,675.23 Cr	352.07	19,054.87	264,268.19
1954	80,077.24	809,168.64 Dr	25,854.86	126,824.83	708,198.67
		1,219,750.74 Dr	25,387.71	156,400.53	1,088,737.82
Tax Years Prior to 1952 (covered by reserves)				334.62	
				<u>156,635.25</u>	
Poll Taxes					
1943-44		22,128.10			22,128.10
1944-45		2,406.77		1.00	2,405.77
1953		382.09 Dr	20.00	797.98	395.39 Cr
1954		41,691.70		2,448.35	39,243.35
				<u>3,247.33</u>	
Poll Taxes other than listed above				644.63	
				<u>3,891.96</u>	
Total Collections in December 1954				160,527.21	
Total Collections in December 1953				<u>170,714.86</u>	
Current Taxes Collected					
January 2nd to December 31/54				6,318,265.41	
Corresponding Period 1953					6,003,956.16
Tax Arrears Collected					
January 2nd to December 31/54				685,312.59	
Corresponding Period 1953					535,017.27
Poll Tax Collected January 2nd to December 31/54				120,696.73	
Corresponding Period 1953					101,007.20
				<u>7,124,274.73</u>	<u>6,640,980.73</u>
				<u>Amount Collected</u>	<u>8</u>
				<u>January 2nd to</u>	
				<u>December 31st</u>	
Tax Levy 1954		7,036,505.98		6,318,265.41	89.79
Tax Levy 1953		6,804,375.60		6,003,956.16	89.19
Tax Arrears Jan. 2nd, 1954		1,118,470.92		6,853,312.59	61.27
Tax Arrears Jan. 2nd, 1953		957,954.00		535,017.27	55.83
Total Collections to December 31st, 1954				7,003,578.00	99.83
Total Collections to December 31st, 1953				6,003,973.43	81.05

Respectfully submitted,

H.R. McDonald
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT

FILED

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

Meeting adjourned. 11:10 P.M.

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

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

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.
January 24, 1955,
8:00 P.M.

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

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Kitz, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan Hatfield and MacMillan.

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

The meeting was called specially to consider Legislation.

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

Motion passed.

8:05 P.M. Council adjourned.

11:15 P.M. Council reconvened the following members being present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the legislation as amended by the Committee on the Whole Council and attached to the original copy of these minutes be approved.

Motion passed.

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

Meeting adjourned. 11:20 P.M.

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

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

Legislation for Special Council Meetings, January 24, 1955.

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Item 1 To be redrafted

Section 728 is amended, inserting the following immediately following subsection (b) of the said section:

(1B) If the inspector is required to grant an occupancy permit, as hereinafter provided, he shall at the same time at which he issues a permit for the erection of the building issue the said occupancy permit, which shall be conditioned on and shall become effective upon full compliance with all the terms of the said permit for such erection and upon the receipt by the inspector of a certificate to that effect.

(Explanatory note: The effect of this legislation is to enable an appeal to be taken from the granting of an occupancy permit issued in respect of a building proposed to be erected within 30 days from the granting of the occupancy permit, which permit is amended to be issued at the same time as the building permit. Under the legislation at the present time the occupancy permit is not actually issued until after the building has been erected. It is considered more equitable to all parties concerned that all questions of occupancy should be finally dealt with before expenditure is made for the erection of a building.

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Item 2 Approved

545E. The City Council is a City street in a portion of Regent Road, which is on the Official City Plan which lies between the eastern side line of Russell Street and the western boundary line of lands of Her Majesty notwithstanding that such street when laid out and accepted does not comply with the requirements of clause (b) of Section 545.

(Explanatory note: The amendment is to enable the City to accept this portion of Regent Road which terminates at the boundary of lands of Her Majesty, despite the charter requirements that no street can be accepted unless it terminates on another street or a tidal waterway.

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Item 3 Approved

(1) Clause (1) of Section 589D is amended, as that Section is amended, to read as follows: "Section 35 of Chapter 63 of the Act of 1944, is amended by inserting therein, between the words 'and' and 'of' in the third line thereof, the words 'by the Council or by a committee, board or official authorized at any time to be appointed'."

ordinance or resolution heretofore.

(2) This Section shall read and construed and shall be given effect as if it had been enacted on the 19th day of April, A. D. 1954.

(Explanatory note: This amendment deals with the regulation of persons engaged in advertising and circulation agencies in the city and provides for the issuance and revocation of licenses and certificates of compliance. It is the purpose of the amendment to give the Council authority by ordinance or resolution to require the advertising to register, examine and license such persons and to issue or revoke such licenses and certificates.

4.

Item No. 4 Deferred to a later meeting

Section 449 is amended by adding the following subsection:

(5) The amount of ad valorem tax set out in the list so prepared shall be paid by the person paying the said rates and taxes previous to the time appointed for sale whether or not the advertisement containing such list has actually appeared in a newspaper, and therefore provided.

(Explanatory note: This amendment has been requested by the City Collector and is intended to cover the case of payment of taxes between the date of the preparation of the advertisement containing the list of properties to be sold and the actual publication of such advertisement. These advertisements must be in the hands of the newspaper some time ahead of publication and it is not possible to require the advertiser to wait without delaying the publication, and it is the policy of the City Collector that any person submitting their taxes to remain unpaid until such a late date shall be obliged to pay this additional expense to the city.

5.

Item No. 5 Approved

(1) The City shall purchase upon such terms and conditions as may be mutually agreed upon certain lands owned by it on the southwestern side of Kemp Road, being lot "A" as shown on a plan entitled "Plan showing the subdivision of City owned land Kemp Road, dated September 23rd, 1954" and dated by George F. West, Commissioner of Works, for certain other lands owned by Wm. Stairs, Sons & Co., Limited on the southwestern side of said Kemp Road, and shall execute and deliver a good and sufficient deed conveying the said lands signed by the Mayor and City Clerk.

Any sums expended by the city for the purposes of this Section shall be deemed to be sums required for a city purpose within the meaning of Section 111 of the City Charter and Municipal Affairs Act.

6.

Item No. 6 Approved

The Charter is amended by inserting therein immediately following Section 53B thereof, the following Section:

53D The City shall purchase the land on City Street & West Road

as laid out on the plan, not including that such street when laid out and accepted, had not comply with the requirements of clause (b) of Section 545.

Resolution Approved

(1) The Commission hereby resolves in close to public use that portion of Bower Road, being the portion of the width of lot No. 21 of the Bower Road, bounded by the eastern official street line of Bower Road and the northern boundary of the Canadian National Railway, as shown on Sections 20A and 20B of the plan, the plan filed in the office of the Commissioner of Public Works, the City of Halifax, and upon the passage of such resolution the right of the public to use the said portion of Bower Road shall be terminated and extinguished.

(2) Upon the passage of the said resolution the legal title to the lands comprised in the portion of Bower Road hereinbefore referred to shall vest in the City and the City may sell and convey such land for any purpose it may determine and give a good and sufficient receipt therefor.

(Explanatory note: Section 315 of the City Charter gives the City the right at any time to deal with the dedication of any street which has been dedicated by the City or dedicated as a street to dispose by sale or exchange of any part of such street which after such sale or exchange no longer forms part of the street. The City hereby declares a portion of the west line of Bower Road and this legislation is to remove any doubt as to the City's right to dispose of the unrequired portion of land, since Bower Road, in the past years, has been used and never been accepted by the City as a street of the width. It will remove any necessity for the City at any time in the future that this portion of Bower Road be dedicated as a street, despite its use as a street in the past.

7.

Resolution Approved

The City shall pay to the said retired employee of the Department of Works and Services and from the first day of January, 1955, for the remainder of his life, an annual allowance of three hundred and sixty-six dollars and seventeen cents, the said allowance to be in addition to the allowance of eight hundred and thirty-three dollars and eighty-three cents which he is entitled to receive from the pensionation plan for the Employees of the City, including the Officers and Members of the Police Department and the Fire Department, and which shall be paid to him in monthly instalments in advance on the first day of each month.

8.

Resolution Approved

Section 315E, as amended, of the City Charter of Halifax, Chapter 77 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia, is amended by striking out the words "subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs" in the eighth line of the section.

(Explanatory note: Section 315E of the City Charter is amended to apply to sum not exceeding \$100,000 per annum for the year paid

by the City where such persons are to be increased, or of giving and the devaluation of money in the area were granted, are not sufficient. The amount of money to be paid by any one person is less than \$100.00. The amount of money required for approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is less than \$100.00. It has been indicated to the City that the Minister will consider the amount necessary in this case.

9. Item 9 Approved

The Charter is amended to read as therein, immediately following Section 388A, the following Section:

388B. Any person entitled to vote at an election for Mayor and Alderman may, at any time during office hours inspect the books referred to in Section 388A.

(Explanatory note: This amendment provides the right to any person entitled to vote at an election to inspect the Assessor's valuation roll at any time during office hours. This legislation is suggested by Mrs. M. A. Pitt. Similar authority is contained in the Municipal Act and I believe that it is a useful right for municipal voters.)

10. Item 10 Approved

The Charter is amended to read as therein, immediately following Section 955 there is the following Section:

955A. The Council may from time to time by resolution appoint such day or days as it may determine to be public holidays within the meaning of Section 43 of the Bank of Exchange Act.

(Explanatory note: Recently a request was made for authority in the City to designate a public holiday as that such day could be observed as a public holiday or some other day within the meaning of the Bank of Exchange Act. This amendment is submitted to accomplish this purpose.)

11. Item 11 To seek legislation to give the City general power to pay grants

Section 310E, as that section is amended by Section 10 of Chapter 54 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia, is substituted therefor by the following Section: of taxes to organizations which carry on philanthropic work.

310E. The City may, from time to time, by resolution, pay as a grant, a subsidy or a contribution to any organization to the extent of the amount of the assessment made for such organization in respect of its property, the civic number 33 Agricola Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, which is used for charitable purposes.

(Explanatory note: Similar to the effect with respect to the premises 96 Agricola Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia, to 33 Agricola Street, Halifax, Nova Scotia (Halifax Board of Health for this reason.)

Section 30 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

30. Every person of the full age of twenty-one years shall be qualified to vote -

- (a) at any regular election for Mayor or alderman held in the years 1955 and 1956 if he has been assessed for City rates for or has paid a poll tax to the City in respect of the year preceding the year in which such election takes place;
- (b) at any regular election for Mayor or alderman held in the year 1957 and in subsequent years if he has been assessed for City rates for the year in which such election takes place or has paid a poll tax to the City in respect of the year preceding the year in which such election takes place;
- (c) at any election to fill a casual vacancy for Mayor or alderman if he was entitled to vote at the regular election next preceding such election.

(Explanatory note: The present Section 30 of the Charter requires voters in addition to the above requirements to be "natural-born or naturalized subjects of Her Majesty who have not been sentenced to death or imprisonment in a penitentiary". It is considered more equitable to permit all taxpayers to vote and this legislation is submitted for that purpose.)

Section 52 is amended by striking out the words "a British subject and" in the second line of the "Oath of Voter" therein.

(Explanatory note: This amendment is submitted to conform with the amendments above made to Section 30 of the Charter.)

(1) The Council may by resolution close to public use the street known as Market Lane, lying between the east line of Bedford Row and the west line of Water Street, as shown on Plan No. RR-2-12944, dated January 14, 1955, and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax, and upon the passage of such resolution the right of the public to use the street shall be terminated and extinguished.

(2) Upon the passage of the said resolution the legal title to the lands comprising such street, as shown on the said plan, shall vest in the City and the City may sell and convey such land for such sum as it may determine and give a good and sufficient deed thereof.

(Explanatory note: The City has been requested by the Government of Canada to close this lane and convey it to the Crown for the purpose of providing land for the extension of the Federal Building. This lane is narrow and not in very extensive use.)

14. Item 50 Approved

The City shall pay to Henry Rising, retired employee of the Department of Finance, as and from the 31st day of March, 1955, for the remainder of his life, an annual allowance of one thousand five hundred dollars, which shall be paid to him in monthly instalments in advance on the first day of each month.

15. Item 51. Approved

No assessment shall be made against the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation in respect of its ownership of certain lands on the eastern side of Romans Avenue as set out on a plan entitled "Plan showing land required for Romans Avenue from R.C. Episcopal Corporation", dated the 7th day of December, 1954, and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works as Plan No. RR-2-12915, in respect of the sewer, sidewalk, curb and gutter when the same are laid on Romans Avenue in front of the said lands.

16. Item 54. Approved

The Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax may include in its annual estimates a sum sufficient to enable the said Board to pay to George H. German, retired janitor of the said Board, for the remainder of his life, as and from the first day of January, 1955, an annual allowance of three hundred and eighty-eight dollars and twenty-eight cents, the said allowance to be in addition to the allowance of two hundred and eleven dollars and seventy-two cents which he is entitled to receive from the City of Halifax Superannuation Plan, which shall be paid to him in monthly instalments in advance on the first day of each month, and the sums required to pay the said allowance in the year 1955 may be provided by the City to the Board under the authority of Section 316C upon the request of the said Board and paid to the Board at such times as the City may determine.

17. Item 55. Approved

The City shall pay to Milton L. Bellew, retired Commissioner of Finance of the City of Halifax, as and from the 14th day of January, 1955, for the remainder of his life, an annual allowance of two thousand and fifty-two dollars and five cents, the said allowance to be in addition to the allowance of two thousand and eighty-seven dollars and ninety-five cents which he is entitled to receive from the City of Halifax Superannuation Plan, and which shall be paid to him in monthly instalments in advance on the first day of each month.

18. Item 57. Approved

Clause (c) of subsection (4) of Section 510D, as that clause is enacted by Section 36 of Chapter 51 of the Acts of 1942 and amended by Section 31 of Chapter 54 of the Acts of 1953, is further amended by inserting therein, between the words "articles" and "or" in the fifth line thereof, the words "or identification discs, ~~books~~ or tags, or postage stamps, or photographs".

(Explanatory note This amendment is submitted to exclude

automatic machines which vend identification discs and tokens, automatic photo-cameras and postage stamp vending machines which are operated by the introduction of a coin or coins from the provisions of the City Charter which prohibit generally the operation of automatic machines which vend goods, wares or merchandise in the City of Halifax.

19. Item 58. To be included in the general power legislation of the City.

The Charter is amended by inserting therein, immediately following Section 310G thereof, the following Section:

310H. The City may pay annually, commencing in the year 1955, to Canadian Arthritis & Rheumatism Society, as a grant, a sum equal to the taxes due by the said Society to the City in each year pursuant to the assessment made for such year against the Society in respect of its occupancy of real property designated as civic number 322-324 Spring Garden Road while used for the purposes of the said Society.

(Explanatory notes: This Section will enable the City in effect to exempt the above Society from taxation by making a grant equivalent to the amount of taxes. The work done by the Society is of a charitable nature and the Society is supported by public donations.)

20. Item 59. Approved

(1) Subsection (2) of Section 31, as that subsection is amended by subsection (1) of Section 4 of Chapter 66 of the Acts of 1950, is amended by striking out the word "February" in the seventh line thereof and substituting therefor the word "January".

(2) Subsection (3) of said Section 31, as that subsection is amended by subsection (2) of Section 4 of Chapter 66 of the Acts of 1950, is amended by striking out the word "February" in the seventh line thereof and substituting therefor the word "January".

(Explanatory notes: This amendment is proposed by the City Collector and provides that corporations must file the names of their voting agents prior to January 10th preceding the election instead of prior to the 10th day of February. By doing so the lists of voters can be completed earlier and it will not be necessary to make frequent changes while they are in the course of preparation. Any corporation which does not file prior to this date may nevertheless file such nomination prior to the day of election.)

21. Item 32. Approved

Subsection (1) of Section 511 is amended by striking out the words "and issued by the official designated by the Council to sign and issue the same", inserted in the said subsection by Section 80 of Chapter 56 of the Acts of 1940, and substituting therefor the words "and issued by the official designated in writing by the Chief of Police to sign and issue the same".

(Explanatory notes: At the present time the officer in the Police Department designated to sign and issue licenses must

be designated by the Council. It has been found that when illness or death occurs some delay arises and matters must wait until Council meets. In order to improve this situation the above amendment provides for the designation of the person to act as License Inspector to be left to the Chief of Police.)

22.

Item 47. Approved

No assessment shall be made by the City against the Estate of George Edmund Warner, the owner of a certain lot of land lying between Stanford Street and the Dutch Village Road, and measuring in front on Stanford Street aforesaid sixty and one-tenth feet, as shown on a certain plan entitled "Stanford Street, Mumford Road to Abbott Drive" dated the 5th day of May, 1954, signed by G. W. West, Commissioner of Works, and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works as Plan No. RR-1-12715, or against any subsequent owner of the said lot of land, in respect of the cost of grading said Stanford Street.

(Explanatory note: This exemption from grading charges is the consideration from the City for the conveyance to the City of a portion of Mr. Warner's land for the extension of Stanford Street.)

23.

SCHEDULE "A" Deferred for a later meeting

Item 60. To pay as a grant to the Halifax Community Chest, the sum of \$6,500.00

Item 61. To pay/^{as a grant} to the Halifax Musical Festival, the sum of 750.00

24.

Item 66. Approved

(1) The Council may by ordinance -

(a) regulate and control the emission and discharge of smoke, the constituent parts thereof and the pollution of air within the City of Halifax, and provide standards regulating such emission and discharge, define the meaning of certain words used in such ordinances, prohibit the emission or discharge of smoke and its constituent parts when the same is in excess of such standards or constitutes a nuisance, and require the installation of dust separating equipment and smoke indicators or recorders.

(b) regulate and control the installation of fuel-burning equipment as defined in the said ordinance, provide for the granting of permits for such installations upon such terms and conditions and for such fee as may be prescribed in the said ordinance and the filing with the City of such information and particulars relating to such equipment as may be so prescribed.

(c) regulate and control nuisances resulting from the emission and discharge of smoke.

(d) designate certain officers of the City to enforce the said ordinance and define their powers and duties, which may include the right of such officers to enter premises in the

proper exercise of their duties and to require owners, occupants, managers and agents of property to make tests for the purpose of reducing the emission or discharge of smoke from the fuel-burning equipment on such property.

(e) prohibit the obstruction or interference with the officers named pursuant to the preceding clause while acting in the course of their duties.

(f) establish a Board to be known as "The Smoke Abatement Advisory Board" and define the duties of such Board, which duties may include the right and power to hear and determine appeals from the officer or officers charged with the enforcement of the said ordinance.

(g) require persons selling fuel-burning equipment in the City to submit to the officials named pursuant to clause (d) hereof reports, specifications and other information respecting such equipment.

(h) provide penalties for violation of the said ordinance.

(2) Such ordinance may also impose upon any person by whose act the fuel-burning equipment of another person has become a nuisance or which causes a violation of the provisions of such ordinance the duty to defray the cost of abating such nuisance or discontinuing such violation and may give to the owner of such fuel-burning equipment a right of action against such person to recover the cost of abating such nuisance or discontinuing such violation.

(Explanatory notes: I have drafted a Smoke Control Ordinance - a copy of which is submitted herewith. In order to make such an ordinance, enabling legislation is necessary, which must be comprehensive enough to draft a proper ordinance. The foregoing is the type of legislation which in my opinion is necessary to enable the City to enact a Smoke Control Ordinance of the type submitted herewith.)

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.,
January 26, 1955.
8:00 P.M.

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

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Also present were Messrs. A.A. DeBard, Jr., W.P. Publicover, R.H. Stoddard, T.C. Doyle, A.J. Yeadon, L.M. Romkey, A. Barry, G.F. West, F.C. MacGillivray, A.P. Flynn, B.J. Rogers, V.W. Mitchell and Dr. A.R. Morton.

The meeting was called specially to consider Estimates for 1955.

A report was submitted from the City Manager dated January 26, 1955 and marked "Strictly Confidential" dealing with Budget Balancing for 1955.

Copies of the report were furnished the members of Council at this meeting.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the words "Strictly Confidential" be removed from the report.

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

His Worship the Mayor then read the report as follows:-

S T R I C T L Y C O N F I D E N T I A L

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and
Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: January 26, 1955.
Subject: Budget Balancing - 1955.

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Conversation after the Finance & Executive Committee Meeting of January 20, 1955 left no doubt in my mind that several Aldermen were definitely resolved not to approve any budget which would necessitate an increase in the business tax rate. No one can disagree with this attitude, but I am concerned that the end may be achieved by cuts of 10% here or there which will have the effect of bringing expenditures down to a desired figure but have a bad effect on our program of services, not only for 1955 but also for later years.

If I may say so, many decisions have been made in some particular year in the light of the effect on that year with no thought of the effect on subsequent years or perhaps with the hope that additional revenues or resources will be discovered to take care of the future years. In the time I have been here or shortly before, we have had recourse to the Post-War Fund, Land Sale Account, Prefab Account, Surplus and Capital Borrowings. All the "fat" has been used up and this is the last year we can rely on Surplus for any sizeable amount. Salary increases delayed to take effect later in a year help only that year, in the next year we feel their dead weight. Even in the teachers' salary increases divided so as to spread the impact over two years, we now find we would like to delay the effective date for lack of funds.

There has been some thought the reassessment presently being conducted will increase tax revenues. This is not the purpose of reassessment. In some cities unlisted properties have been added to the assessment rolls, but I do not believe there will be many if any, in Halifax. Although I do not subscribe to the thought that the tax take from any one class of property must remain the same after reassessment, we cannot expect to secure more taxes from those properties presently classed as 'business' if they are already excessively taxed.

How much additional might be asked of residential taxpayers will depend on what is considered a reasonable rise above the \$3.50 rate set in 1944 and the relation of business to residential assessments after the reassessment. I am not attempting to solve here all problems connected with the reassessment but to point out additional revenues, if any, are incidental to the main object of equalization, and should not be counted upon in solving our current budget problems.

The present situation demands, however, not only the laying down of correct general principles for the future, but some concrete suggestions to avoid general budget cuts.

I would suggest the five day week, or any reduction in hours not go into effect in 1955, nor until it can be inaugurated without additional cost. It has been done in City Hall without added cost, can be done at City Field without added cost, and should not be done in the Fire and Police Departments until more resources are available. I am perfectly well aware this is not a popular suggestion, will probably be received by some employees with disfavor, but certainly should please a large body of taxpayers faced with an additional burden. Employees must realize that City Council had every intention of dealing as generously as possible with all employees and now finds itself unable to do as planned. Abandonment of the five-day week would result in the following savings:-

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	<u>Savings this year</u>	<u>Saving in each future year</u>
Police	\$17,200.00	\$25,800.00
Fire	23,220.00	46,440.00
Public Works	51,680.00	51,680.00
Point Pleasant Park- Commission	2,000.00	2,000.00
Recreation Commission	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
	<u>\$95,100.00</u>	<u>\$126,920.00</u>

In the year 1954 \$126,217.91 was granted in Discount on Taxes. Taxpayers in Halifax no doubt are pleased to put their funds to such profitable use. The amount of the discount is a little under 2% for the total amount of tax levied. There is a definite trend among municipalities to abolish discounts on taxes and make them payable at par with penalty interest for payment after the due date. If this suggestion is adopted, taxes would be payable in May and August, the first half would be due May 31 after which the whole tax bears interest if the first half is not paid and the second half is due August 31, after which the unpaid portion bears interest until paid. Taxes for small amounts such as \$20.00 or less may be made payable in full at the date of the first installment.

On an over-all basis, the \$9.95 rate becomes 9.76 and the 3.50 rate becomes 3.43 by the application of the amount of discount to all taxes due.

The serious effect on the whole financial picture and the weight of the debt service has been emphasized from time to time. It would seem that the tremendous increase is little realized as we look at the debt year after year. The tabulation below shows the increase since 1950.

Increase in Debt Service - Classifications.

	<u>General</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>Vocational High School</u>	<u>Total</u>
Increase 1951 over 1950	121,438.87	57,821.22	-	30,000.00	209,260.09
Increase 1952 over 1951	209,077.01	164,247.86	-	12,500.00	385,844.87
Increase 1953 over 1952	156,871.04*	12,865.07	35,717.18	-	108,288.79*
Increase 1954 over 1953	215,601.30	212,015.62	2,964.10	(1)	431,571.02
Increase 1955 over 1954	<u>69,000.30</u>	<u>86,005.65</u>	-	8,052.10	<u>163,598.05</u>
Increase 1955 over 1950	\$458,356.44	\$534,755.42	\$38,681.28	\$50,552.10	\$1,082,345.24

(1) No appropriation, paid from accumulated funds.
* Indicates decrease.

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Assessment & Tax Payments

	<u>Residential Assessment</u>	<u>Residential Tax</u>	<u>Business* Assessment</u>	<u>Business Tax</u>
1955 Estimated	53,415,000.00	1,869,525.00	51,029,256.00	5,077,411.04
1950 Actual	<u>39,776,250.00</u>	<u>1,392,168.75</u>	<u>40,825,360.00</u>	<u>2,755,711.80</u>
1955 over 1950	13,638,750.00	477,356.25	10,203,896.00	2,321,699.24

* 1950 Business Rate - 6.75

* 1955 Business Rate - ? Tax Yield at 2.05

From the above tabulation it may be observed the increase in residential taxes does not even cover the increase in debt service for schools alone to say nothing of the large increase in current school costs.

There are further observations which may be made on the basis of the above figures and further studies going beyond the above. The purpose of this presentation is to reintroduce the concept that certain types of improvements should be paid for by those who benefit most. Last January certain suggestions were made regarding assessments for permanent improvements, and I suggest this matter considered again.

No action has been taken on charging for building and other permits. The amount which could be raised in this way is pure conjecture. but \$60,000.00 per year seems not unreasonable.

Other means of raising funds would be an increase in the Poll Tax or a reexamination of teacher salary schedules to see when they safely can be put into effect.

The experience in other municipalities has been that when resources have been drained to the limit special taxes on use of sewers, collection of rubbish, etc., must be imposed. Costs of collection are increased by separate billings and the additional cost to taxpayers is not overlooked because it is not included in the regular tax bill.

The total adjustment by decrease in expenditures and increase in income totals \$281,317.91 as follows:-

Permit fees	\$ 60,000.00
Discount on taxes	126,217.91
Salary adjustment	95,100.00
Increase in Assessments for Improvements	?
	<u>\$281,317.91</u>

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

8.30 P.M. Aldermen Lloyd and O'Malley arrive.

His Worship the Mayor: "The Manager is saying that the budget program as it outlines the proposed services for 1955 has been dealt with as carefully as can be and it represents a minimum

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in his opinion which we can do. He says if you cut it by a percentage and bring down the estimated expenditures to hold the tax rate, he feels you will be doing a dis-service. I am not saying that I agree with all the conclusions but I think everyone is worthy of serious consideration. I think the growth of the debt service charges is something Council might give some serious consideration to.

Alderman Vaughan pointed out that for the years following the war there was a need to catch up on services which were delayed. He made a comparison of the City's position in 1951 with today.

Alderman Lloyd: "I find it a coincidence that I should be interested in the budget as to how our sinking fund reserves stand up; Public Service Commission funds and several other funds. I spent all day yesterday in City Hall trying to put together a debt service charge for the City of Halifax for the future. In the 1955 budget the net interest cost to the tax payers is \$973,488.80. The net cost to the tax payers for principal payment is \$1,254,557. Those are tied to the audited reports of 1953. That is after deducting the money we recover from the Public Service Commission and Forum Commission. I have not completed the projection. One way of looking at it is if the interest rates remained the same; if you borrow at the rate of 1½ million dollars your interest rates remain fairly constant. You are committed to \$2,000,000.00 for this year which you have not funded yet. For the next 2 or 3 years it appears that you are retiring the principal of your debt at the rate of over \$1,000,000.00 per year. I prefer to continue the estimation of the figures some more. I just don't know what the impact will be. I find it difficult to follow the type of schedule we have in our financial statements. Mr. Romkey and I found some mistakes. You have to add about \$11,000.00 to the interest charges for this year and \$4000.00 to an old account as well. We find it

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difficult to ascertain the cause of that adjustment. There might be some explanation. I have all the information to extend over the next few years. It appears to me that it is possible for us to anticipate a peak period over 7 or 8 years. If you can level out that peak with some device and combine your plan with the re-assessment next year you can make use of any surplus funds you have and cut loose from any petty and minor funds such as the Prefab funds. We are not allowed to employ these funds the way we should. There is a debt of over \$200,000.00 in the Emergency Shelters which should not be there. We have about \$600,000.00 debt in the Prefab Fund. If you can cut the budget I say cut it because your Capital Budget in the next few years is going to require the assistance of one reserve fund you have to help you meet the carrying charges. There are some things in the budget we can attack. There is the overhead in the Works Department. There is percentage-wise. I am satisfied that economies can be effected. One person can do the work of what two people are doing if any such cases exist. They may not. Then you should come to the conclusion with the re-assessment next year and with some possibilities that you are going to have to fix an amount what the business tax payer pays in 1955 and the residential tax payer pays in 1955. Those two amounts will govern your budget in 1956. Take all of your Current Surplus for your budgetting this year. It has come from the \$9.95 rate tax payers. The deficit in the Emergency Shelters will be taken care of by the profit in the Prefab Housing. It is all housing."

Alderman Kitz: "I can only hope that we are over the peak of our capital period. It seems to me we are always looking to tomorrow and hoping. We have a library, 2 new high schools and several other schools but it is difficult to look into the future capitalwise. It is a little bit dangerous perhaps imprudent to use all capital surpluses."

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Alderman Lloyd said he referred to the use of the Current Surplus.

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

Motion passed.

9:00 P.M. Council adjourned.

12:30 A.M. Council reconvened the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Ailen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that Council defer consideration of the report of the Committee of the Whole Council until the next meeting of Council on the budget.

Motion passed.

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

Meeting adjourned. 12:30 A.M.

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

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

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.,
January 31, 1955.
8:10 P.M.

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

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

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

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

The meeting was called specially to consider Legislation.

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

Motion passed.

8:15 P.M. Council adjourned.

10:15 P.M. Council re-convened the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and Hatfield.

TAX RATES

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

At a meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council held on the above date the matter of obtaining legislation permitting the City Council to fix tax rates was considered.

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It was decided to recommend that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft legislation repealing all the present legislation of rated taxes and substitute instead permissive legislation permitting the City Council to fix the rates at such amounts as it shall determine and with a provision that differential rates may be made for business and residential property; same to come into effect upon proclamation by the Governor in Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report of the Committee of the Whole Council be approved.

Motion passed

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

Meeting adjourned 10:20 P.M.

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

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

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Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.,
February 9, 1955,
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, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and Hatfield.

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

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Appointment Commissioner of Finance.
2. Consideration of Legislation on Tax Rate.
3. Consideration of Estimates.

APPOINTMENT COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

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

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

Date: February 3, 1955.

Subject: Commissioner of Finance - Appointment.

After Mr. Bellev's resignation notices were placed on bulletin boards in the building announcing that applications would be received until January 31, 1955. There was no other public announcement. One application was received from an individual not presently an employee of the City of Halifax.

The other application was from P.L.M. Ronkey, presently Deputy Commissioner of Finance.

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Mr. Ronkey's work experience started in 1917 as shipping clerk for National Fish Co. Ltd., two years of war service in the First World War and eight years as secretary-treasurer of Ideal Dairy Limited.

In 1939 he was employed by the City of Halifax as an audit clerk and later he had a great deal to do with mechanization of various accounting records in the City Collector's Office and elsewhere. Since I have been here he put into effect the keeping of records which give us our appropriation ledger report, has put emergency shelter rents and Prefab accounts on mechanised cards and has reduced the number of personnel in his Department.

He is in good health and capable of performing a large volume of work. I know he has plans for further improvement in the department. I recommend his appointment as Commissioner of Finance and suggest that the position of Deputy Commissioner of Finance be left vacant.

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

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved and Mr. Ronkey appointed to the Office of Commissioner of Finance and Accounts.

Alderman Vaughan: "I think the Council before making any appointment should have information before us. What were the other person's qualifications for the position? I understand there was an outsider."

City Manager: "He is presently living outside of Halifax. I believe you might say he is a Haligonian."

Alderman Vaughan: "What does he do?"

City Manager: "He is in public accounting. He is a young man I would say quite young for a position of the responsibility of Commissioner of Finance. I happen to know the individual very slightly. I would not recommend him for this position at his age with his experience. I don't know how you would get that type of person in the City organization with the provision we have for promotion from the lower ranks. If he would have come in 10 years ago he could have worked his way up."

Alderman Vaughan: "What are his academic qualifications?"

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City Manager: "He is a college graduate. I can't recall whether he is a C.A. at the present time or whether he is studying to be."

Alderman Lloyd: "Is he practising on his own?"

City Manager: "He is with a firm."

Alderman Lloyd: "You don't know whether he is a chartered accountant or not?"

City Manager: "I have the information in my desk."

Alderman Vaughan: "Did you not on the occasion of the recommendation for the City Assessor and Commissioner of Works advertize widely?"

City Manager: "I did and I will tell you why I did not on this occasion. When vacancies occurred in the Department Heads I felt you should get the best persons possible. I felt you should take applications from anyone. I did that in 2 instances and in both cases the Council indicated to me it was in favor of a policy of promotion."

His Worship the Mayor: "No not necessarily. They indicated that the persons were as well, if not better qualified."

City Manager: "It was suggested that we comb our own staff first. I find nothing wrong if the Council wants to take people from our staff. I felt we should get the best possible person. I felt persons outside would do the best possible job. I felt I should do as was suggested to look within the staff who could do a good job and recommend them. If persons within our own staff are inadequate, I would advise you."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think you should have a policy and it should include scanning the field before you make a recommendation. I think you were right in the case of the Commissioner of Works and City Assessor."

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Alderman DeWolf: "Mr. Ronkey has been doing the work for well over a year. I think it is a just reward for the time and overtime he must have spent to carry on for the past year and one half. I feel something is due Mr. Ronkey. If he has been able to do the work satisfactorily, I am all for it."

Alderman Lane: "I think we should keep as much as possible the feeling within the staff that they may succeed to the top job if they are qualified to take it. If you know you have a man that can do the job why bother?"

Alderman Vaughan: "We did so in the case of the Commissioner of Works and City Assessor. If we had accepted the recommendations of the Manager, we would have had Mr. Stewart as the Commissioner of Works and Mr. Symmonds as City Assessor. I think in taking our time in making the appointments we made the right selections. This must be an important position to command the salary it does. I think we are entitled to get the very best we possibly can. Granted the man was carrying on in the capacity for the past year but at the same time we owe it to the tax payers that we are doing all we can to get the best if possible."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of the City Council.

Alderman Lloyd: "I feel there is confusion between the responsibilities of Commissioner of Finance and the responsibilities of a Director of Accounts. As I see it much of the financial duties today rest upon the shoulders of the Council and Manager in the field of taxation, grants and relationships with Provincial and Dominion Governments. When you get into problems of taxation and higher problems of special finances then you begin to wonder with a City Manger if he has the qualifications to handle financial matters, if you need a Commissioner of Finance and all that that name connotes; producing financial statements, seeing that the

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budget is carried out and the technical nature of marketing the City's bonds. I think that is the duties of a Director of Accounts today. In 1948 I recommended that all of the Department Heads be called Directors because I thought the title of Commissioner was conflicting with the power of the Council. The Manager is now recommending that no Deputy be appointed to the Commissioner of Finance. I think from the point of view of a Director of Accounting processes of the City of Halifax Mr. Romkey has a great deal of service to give the City but when you step beyond that in public finance in Halifax, I have very grave doubts."

Alderman Hatfield: "Mr. Romkey has reduced the staff and carried on the same way. I think if all Departments did the same we would be much better off. I think we should make a decision on the matter tonight."

Alderman Macdonald: "I feel that Mr. Romkey has been working under the supervision of the Manager for perhaps 2 years now and the Manager had plenty of opportunity to weigh the merits of his qualifications for this position. I felt he thought he was fully qualified to take the position or else he would not have recommended him."

Alderman Vaughan: "I wonder if the Manager would elaborate on the reduction in the staff."

City Manager: "We made certain changes. I think three clerks were eliminated altogether."

Alderman Vaughan: "How many street collectors were eliminated in the last few years?"

City Manager: "I think there were 5."

Alderman Vaughan: "In a position of this kind, I think the Council is entitled to a breathing space to think this recommendation over. I am not prepared to vote on it tonight. I want to be sure that the recommendation is a sound one and in the best interests of the citizens of Halifax."

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His Worship the Mayor: "Council should also be satisfied that something will be gained by deferment."

Alderman Lloyd: From inquiries I am satisfied that we might be able to eliminate one top executive. The Manager has indicated he is not going to appoint a Deputy at this time."

City Manager: "I am hoping that Council will not ask me to appoint a Deputy. I am hoping to abolish the position."

His Worship the Mayor: "I would like to know where the Manager would fit if he did not have Mr. Ronkey. I think we were fortunate to have a Deputy when Mr. Bellew became ill."

City Manager: "We would have to take someone else in the Department. There are cities larger than Halifax where there is no Deputy or Director of Finance."

Alderman Lloyd: "You have a Chief Accountant."

Alderman Kitz: "I subscribe to the Mayor's view but if there is some meat to this argument on the question of a Deputy then that might be a fact on the overall issue. I think it is important for a City that we do get the very best man."

Alderman Vaughan: "It is my own firm belief that for positions in City Hall on this top level we should advertise outside and weigh against the outside applicant the ability plus the experience of City Hall applicants."

City Manager: "I cannot recommend this other person over Mr. Ronkey because the experience is not there. If I advertise in the Civic Administration Magazine and something comes from Winnipeg, I can't recommend him until I interview him. There are expenses involved when he comes down. I thought I was doing what Council would like me to do and that is to take someone from the organization."

His Worship the Mayor: "If someone from the organization is the best available."

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City Manager: "I was guided by what had happened with the other 2 Department Heads."

Alderman Vaughan: "What qualifications would you look for in a man to be appointed Commissioner of Finance forgetting any one of the staff?"

City Manager: "Good training in the field of accounting; knew something about law and economics, business finance and such things. I would want him to have some experience in the direction of personnel and machine accounting. I would expect him to have a proper type of personality that he can get people to do what he wants them to do and who can get along with other people. I think we have that in Mr. Romkey."

Alderman Vaughan: "Does Mr. Romkey possess the academic qualifications you would desire in the ideal person?"

City Manager: "Yes, he has. I would say that with the experience added, it would be equivalent to what we might expect to get in Halifax."

Alderman Lloyd: "In this particular instance I presumed from the other two cases, that Council might wish to promote within the staff."

His Worship the Mayor: "In the case of the appointment of the Commissioner of Works I insisted that he scan the entire field before he came up with a recommendation in the organization."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the qualifications held is that of a Director of Accounts or Director of Finance. I know something about financing and C.P.A. in New Brunswick. Forgetting the person for a moment, I think if you need a Commissioner of Finance as such it calls for much higher qualifications or with the Manager System I would much prefer to see the duties of the Commissioner of Finance be those of the City Manger. We should have stopped when the Manager was appointed at the Chief Accountant. You can have a Department Head. Call him Director of Finance."

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Alderman O'Malley felt that the City Manager was not seeking the very best person obtainable otherwise he would have advertised afield.

His Worship the Mayor: "I had a phone call from a person applying for the job and he asked me if he was ruled out because he did not work in the City. I said he was not."

Alderman Vaughan: "Will the Manager consider any other applications in the meantime?"

City Manager: "Yes."

His Worship the Mayor: "Even if he saw fit to recommend some other person in the meantime this Council would have to deal with the recommendation here tonight. There is nothing to stop him from receiving applications. This recommendation will have to be dealt with first before he can make another one."

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Lloyd
Kitz
O'Malley
Vaughan

AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Lane
Macdonald
Adams
Ahern
Allen
Hatfield

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Lane
Macdonald
Adams
Kitz
O'Malley
Ahern
Allen
Hatfield
DeWolf

AGAINST IT

Alderman Lloyd
Vaughan

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Alderman Lane stated that the recommendation of the City Manager which she moved be approved included the whole recommendation that the position of Deputy Commissioner of Finance be left vacant.

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

Motion passed.

Council adjourned 8:50 P.M.

Council reconvened 11:00 P.M.

The following members being present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan and Hatfield.

TAXATION POLICY AND LEGISLATION

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

A brief submitted by Alderman Lloyd respecting "1956 - and - 1957 Taxation Policy and Legislation" was considered by a committee of the Whole Council at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the City Solicitor be requested to put into legislative form the amendments to the City Charter that would carry out the recommendations in this report and that such legislation be submitted to the City Council for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole Council be approved. Motion passed.

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

Meeting adjourned 11:05 P.M.

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