

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 1956

A G E N D A

- Prayer.
Minutes (September 27 - October 11 and 25, 1956.)
1. Ordinance #51 Smoke Nuisance (2nd Reading).
 2. Amendment to Ordinance #2. " "
 3. Hospital Accounts - Offers of Settlement.
 4. Vacancy in Council - Committees.
 5. Accounts over \$500.00.
 6. Emergency Shelter Occupancy.
 7. Bayers Road Housing Project.
 8. Supplementary Grants to Pensioners.
 9. Metropolitan Survey:
 - (a) Report Deputy Mayor.
 - (b) Authorization of Second Payment \$10,000.00.
 10. Drainage D'Entremont Subdivision - Deferred by Committee on Works.
 11. Borrowing Resolutions:
 - (a) 5% Permanent Stock - \$532,450.00
 - (b) Board of School Commissioners - \$30,000.00.
 12. Widows' Pensions:
 - (a) Mrs. Alberta Priest - \$328.84.
 - (b) Mrs. Agnes Tomlin - \$568.74
 - (c) Mrs. Maria Wood - \$480.00.
 13. Incinerator.
 14. Write-offs:
 - (a) Hospital Accounts \$41,006.02
 - (b) Taxes - \$203.13
 15. Disposal of Old siren Police Department
 16. " " " saddles " "
 17. " " " Ladder Truck Fire Department
 18. Questions by Aldermen.
 19. Undersized Lots:
 - (a) 1568 Barrington Street (Not Recommended).
 - (b) 47 Seaforth Street.
 20. Request to Rezone #12 Quinn Street (withdrawn)
 21. Lease of Land J.S. Boutilier (Fleming Park).
 22. Easements Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission.
 23. Street Lighting Pinewood Acres.
 24. Confirmatory Deeds (Butler & Hinch).
 25. Tenders:
 - (a) Supplies Works Department.
 - (b) Fish
 - (c) Groceries
 - (d) License Plates etc.
 26. Lease of Grafton Street Parking Lot.
 27. Payment to Custodis Canadian Chimney Co.Ltd. - \$1,250.00
 28. Traffic Signal Lights - Connaught Avenue and Quinpool Road.
 29. Rental Control.
 30. Springhill Disaster.
 31. Appointment of Committee Re: Halifax Natal Day.
 32. Scavenging on City Dumps.
 33. Aquarium Point Pleasant Park.
 34. Purchase of Patrol Wagon Police Department.
 35. Legislation Re: Cancellation of Taxes - 64A and 68 Abbott Drive.
 36. Retirement A.J. Yeadon - \$1,362.60.
 37. Request for Grant University of Kings College.
 38. December Pay.
 39. Boxing Day.
 40. Visit Twin City,
 41. Additional Appropriation Spring Garden Road Parking Lot - \$1,000.00

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DEFERRED ITEMS

Appointment to Governing Board Halifax Infirmary.
Legislation 3 Year Term for Mayor.
Service Installations in Subdivisions.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Manager's Administrative Report.
Tax Collections
Poll Tax Collections
Interest Rate.
Trolley Coach Stops.
Acknowledgment Mrs. James Wood and Family.
Approvals Minister of Municipal Affairs.



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EVENING SESSION

City Court Chamber,
Brunswick Street,
Halifax, N.S.,
November 15, 1956,
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, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, O'Malley, Wyman, Vaughan, O'Brien and Greenwood.

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

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

The following named papers were submitted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

His Worship the Mayor made the following announcements:

1. The following members of the Junior Board of Trade are attending this meeting: Messrs. Peter Trueland, Verne Wyatt and John R. Kaulback on your behalf I extend a welcome to them.

2. The Queen's Own Rifles will be marched on Saturday past the reviewing stand before they go on board ship. He wished them God speed on behalf of the Council in the role they would be playing in world events.

3. Congratulated Alderman Ahern on his victory in the recent Provincial Election. He said the Council wished him well in serving the City in another capacity. He also extended congratulations to Alderman O'Malley for the good fight he put up in the election as well.

4. There are Christmas Cards available to the Aldermen in my office.

5. "I have had a letter today from Mr. Fielding dealing with the License Fees which the City collected from Insurance Companies in past years. It has been a matter of close negotiation while I have been in office. We have always maintained that the Province should re-imburse the City because of an error made when the Provincial Governments were making their agreements. The Minister of Municipal Affairs has agreed to recommend the payment of certain monies."

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6. "I should say that the Government of Canada has seen fit to adopt a sharp money policy. It seems to me that it behooves us to examine all our capital expenditures with care and caution. If we borrow money now we will be saddling our tax payers over the next 20 to 30 years with high money rates."

MINUTES

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

ORDINANCE #51 SMOKE NUISANCE SECOND READING ✓

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

Ordinance #51 Respecting the Abatement of Smoke and other Atmospheric Pollution which was read and passed a first time at the last regular meeting of the City Council was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the Ordinance be amended:

1. By deleting the alternative definition of fly-ash.
2. By inserting a new section 17 to read "No action or prosecution for a violation of this Ordinance shall be commenced without the consent of the Committee on Works of the City of Halifax nor after the expiration of sixty days from the time of the commission of the alleged offence.
3. The present section 17 become section 18.

and that the Ordinance as amended be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Greenwood that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE

Moved by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Greenwood that Ordinance #51 as attached to the original copy of the minutes under date of October 11, 1956 be amended in accordance with the above report read and passed a second time and referred to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Motion passed.

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AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #2 SECOND READING ✓

November 13, 1956.

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

An amendment to Ordinance #2 which was read and passed a first time at the last regular meeting of the City Council was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the amendment be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENT

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Halifax as follows:

1. Ordinance Number 2, Respecting the Rules of Order of Council is amended by inserting therein, immediately following section 51 thereof, the following section:

51A. When a motion for the adoption of a proposed amendment to the Zoning By-Law in effect in the City of Halifax has been considered by the Council and resolved in the negative, such proposed amendment shall not again be considered by the Council until twelve months have elapsed.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the amendment as set out above be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval. Motion passed with Alderman DeWolf wishing to be recorded against.

HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS - OFFERS OF SETTLEMENT ✓

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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 acceptance offers to settle hospital accounts as under:

1. The Royal Canadian Naval Benevolent Fund offer to pay the sum of \$110.00 in full settlement of an account \$135.00.
2. The Army Benevolent Fund offer to pay the sum of \$470.00 in full settlement of an account of \$676.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

VACANCY IN COUNCIL AND COMMITTEES ✓

A report was submitted from the City Solicitor advising that it was his opinion that Alderman Ahern's seat in Council is now vacant because of his becoming a member of the Nova Scotia Legislature and therefore the seat should be declared vacant and a date fixed for a by-election to fill the vacancy.

Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Greenwood that the seat in Council formerly held by Mr. J.E. Ahern be and the same is now declared vacant by reason of his becoming a member of the Legislative Assembly of Nova Scotia.

Alderman DeWolf: "I believe Mr. Rutledge is still a member and I don't think Alderman Ahern is a member yet."

The City Solicitor referred to the House of Assembly Act and advised that a person becomes a member as from the date the Returning Officer declares him elected.

The motion was then put and passed.

VACANCY ON FORUM COMMISSION ✓

His Worship the Mayor nominated Alderman DeWolf to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Ahern which was agreed to by Council.

VACANCY POINT PLEASANT PARK ✓

The matter of an appointment to the Point Pleasant Park Commission was referred to the next meeting of the Committee on Works.

VACANCY RECREATION COMMISSION ✓

The matter of an appointment to the Recreation Commission was referred to the Board of School Commissioners for their consideration as Mr. Ahern was the Board's representative on the Commission.

VACANCY BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS ✓

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that Mr. Ivan S. McNeil of #440 Windsor Street be appointed to the Board of School Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Mr. J.E. Ahern.

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Alderman Macdonald: "It was thought it would be a good idea to have Aldermen serving on the Board. I was going to nominate Alderman Dunlop."

Alderman DeWolf: "I am against Council nominating those outside the Council to the Board. There should be at least 8 members of the Council rather than 6 and 6 appointed by the Government. The City of Halifax contributes 85% of the cost of the operation of the schools and they only have 50% of the say. There will only be 4 Aldermen on the Board."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think the Board is too large. I think we might look to a smaller number. I think 8 would be plenty; 5 from the Council and 3 outside."

Alderman Lane: "Can we request that the Board be made smaller? I have not found it too unwieldy. I can assure you that every member of the Board has something to do. I would object to seeing that Board made smaller."

Alderman Abbott: "I agree with Alderman Lane that 12 members is not too large and I wonder if this appointment could be deferred until after the by-election in Ward 5. Would the Deputy Mayor go back for a short time?"

Alderman DeWolf: "I know the man nominated is well qualified but I think it is wrong because it will develop into 8 outsiders and 4 Aldermen."

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the appointment be deferred until the election in Ward 5 is completed.

Alderman O'Malley: "We may still be faced with the same situation after the election. I don't see any great objection. This gentleman is well qualified and a man of fine personality. He would be a fine addition to the Board. I don't think we are going far astray in making the appointment because we have no guarantee who the successor to Alderman Ahern will be."

Alderman Lane: "An appointment at this time would be advisable. The Board re-organizes in January and they will be organizing under a new Chairman."

The City Clerk advised that the terms of Alderman Lane and Mr. Lloyd Allen would expire December 31, 1956 and it would be necessary to make further appointments.

Alderman DeWolf with the consent of his seconder Alderman Abbott withdrew his amendment.

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The motion was then put and passed and Mr. Ivan S. McNeil duly declared appointed a member of the Board of School Commissioners to fill the unexpired term of Mr. J.E. Ahern which ends December 31, 1957.

APPOINTMENT TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Deferred until after the By-Election in Ward 5.

ELECTION DATE-CASUAL VACANCY-WARD 5 ✓

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that Council fix December 19, 1956 as the date for an election to fill the vacancy in Ward 5 caused by Mr. J.E. Ahern becoming a member of the Nova Scotia Legislature and that Nomination Day be set as November 27, 1956. Motion passed.

ADVANCE POLL ✓

The City Clerk submitted data on votes cast at Advance Polls in previous elections and felt the Council may wish to dispense with same for this election.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he felt the facilities should be made available.

Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Greenwood that an Advance Poll be held on Saturday, December 15, 1956. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

To: His Worship, L.A. Kitz, and
Members of City Council.

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

Date: November 13, 1956.

Subject: Accounts over \$500.00

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

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Finance	L.E. Shaw Limited	Concrete Block and Sewer Pipes delivered to City Field	\$1159.39
Works	Armco Drainage & Metal Products of Canada Ltd.	Supply metal pipes under Holy Cross Cemetery & labour	2355.00
	Automatic Sprinkler Company of Canada Limited	Material for Sprinkler system due alteration in sub-basement and first floor and labour	1132.36
	Filmore Valley Nursery Ltd	Shrubs for Public Gardens	650.00

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The McConnell Nursery	Shrubs for Public Gardens	563.00
Moore Business Forms Ltd.	Forms for Building Inspector's Office	509.32
Municipal Spraying & Contracting Limited	Stone and Run for use at City Field	11,460.02
Murray & Falconer Ltd.	Sodding on Peter Lowe and William Hunt Avenues	1,607.30
Nelson & Co.Ltd.	Fall bulbs for Public Gardens	1,048.34
Northern Electric Co.Ltd.	Traffic Signals and Parts	1,231.00
Nova Scotia Light & Power Limited	Installing 20 Fluorescent Street Lighting Units and removing 39 - 500W Multiple Units on Barrington St.	564.73
Public Service Commission	Installing hydrant, branch and Branch valve on north Barrington St.	1,285.65
Roper Agencies	Repairing and Operating Arm Chlorinator for August 1956	1,220.86
Wm.Stairs Son &Morrow Ltd.	Tractor and repair parts for equipment at City Field	3,457.60
Terry Machinery Co.	Pump and parts for equipment City Hall	<u>593.65</u>
		<u>28,838.22</u>

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

Alderman DeWolf asked what was done with the stone and run supplied by the Municipal Spraying and Contracting Limited amounting to \$11,460.02 and was advised that it went to the job.

He also asked what was done with the tractor and repair parts supplied by William Stairs Son and Morrow Ltd. amounting to \$3,457.60 and was advised by Mr. West that it was required for a repair job on the tractor.

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

EMERGENCY SHELTER OCCUPANCY ✓

To: His Worship, L.A. Kitz, and
Members of City Council.

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

Date: October 15, 1956

Subject: Emergency Shelter Occupancy.

We have reached the stage where the Manning Pool is almost empty (five families) and ready to turn back to Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation.

As further vacancies occur I would like your permission not to take any new tenants. If they occur in Wellington Court, we will transfer tenants from the Staff houses. Next Spring we will select one of the staff houses for evacuation and demolition

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You may recall Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation requested us over two years ago to return the staff houses and the land on which they stand. Because the Manning Pool was in poorer physical condition, they granted my request to demolish that first.

Demolition of the staff houses would permit greater use of the land area on which they stand.

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

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

BAYERS ROAD HOUSING PROJECT ✓

A report was submitted from the City Manager giving a statement on Administration and Expenses respecting the Bayers Road Housing Project and recommending that the City ask the Housing Authority and C.M.H.C. to permit it to raise the valuation for computation of Fire Protection Rates from \$3,500.00 to \$8,050.00 as the Fire Protection Rate was changed from 23¢ to 10¢ through the effect of the valuation.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the recommendation of the City Manager be approved, a supplementary agreement drafted and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

SUPPLEMENTARY GRANTS TO PENSIONERS ✓

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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, considered the attached statement respecting payment of supplementary amounts to pensioners who are in receipt of amounts less than \$1,100.00 per annum, and agreed to recommend that the payments be made in accordance with the amount set forth therein.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

SUPPLEMENTARY SUPERANNUATION PAY FOR 1956

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>FORMER OCCUPATION</u>	<u>PENSION OR GRANT</u>	<u>ACUTAL PAYMENTS</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
			<u>1 9 5 6</u>	<u>INGREMENT</u>	
<u>OFFICIALS'</u>					
<u>SUPERANNUATION</u>					
H. Fitzpatrick	Employee, Works Dept.	Grant	\$720.00	84.00	804.00
Miss Frances Mullins	Nurse, Health Dept.	Grant	\$720.00	84.00	804.00
Fred Walsh	Employee, Water Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Robert Innes	" "	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
George Newport	" Works Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Albert Smith	" " "	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Arthur MacKenzie	Stableman	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
William Power	Employee, Works Dept.	Grant	300.00	84.00	384.00
Leo White	" "	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Clifford Tanner	" "	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Marjorie Colpitt	Secretary, Fire Alarm	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Aaron Stevens	Employee, Works Dept.	Pension	1010.88	84.00	1094.88
Mrs. Mary Thompson	Employee, City Home	Grant	600.00	84.00	684.00
Mrs. Ellen Murphy	Employee, City Home	Grant	600.00	84.00	684.00
Daniel Gough	Employee, City Home	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
W.H. Orton	Employee, Works Dept.	Grant	999.96	84.00	1083.96
Eleanor M. Doyle	Employee, Finance "	Grant	849.96	84.00	933.96
Wallace Halliday	Employee, T.B. Hosp.	Grant	592.80)		
		Pension	307.15)	84.00	983.95
Dennis Thibodeau	Employee, Works Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Desire (Leo) Sampson	Employee, Works Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Catherine Graham	Employee, Pub. Health	Grant	499.92	84.00	583.92
Catherine Graves	Employee, City Home	Grant	900.00	84.00	984.00
Maebel Gray	Employee, Halifax Memorial Library	Grant	799.92.	84.00	883.92
Albert Davie	Employee, Works Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
Ronald J. McDonald	Employee, Works Dept.	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
James Carmichael	Employee, Works Dept.	Grant	283.32)		
		Pension	476.68)	84.00	844.00
Theresa MacEachern	Employee, City Home	Grant	382.44)		
		Pension	377.52)	84.00	843.96
			<u>19,780.55</u>	<u>2,268.00</u>	<u>22,048.55</u>

FIREMEN'S
SUPERANNUATION

Mrs. Mary Cormier - wife of Fireman killed while on duty	Grant	499.92	184.00	683.92	
Mrs. Frances Shanks - pension of Fireman paid to wife, result of illness	Pension	394.68	184.00	578.68	
William Settle	Pension	904.68	84.00	988.68	
George Mann	Pension	1,027.92	84.00	1,111.92	
James Cody	Pension	987.96	84.00	1,071.96	
J.P. Sweeney	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96	
John L. Whalen	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96	
Ernest Yeadon	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96	
Charles H. McKay	Pension	1,067.88	84.00	1,151.88	
Robert Ropell	Pension	1,067.88	84.00	1,151.88	
John Allen Druhan	Pension	1,067.88	84.00	1,151.88	
William Wells	Pension	800.23	84.00	884.23	
Jas. D. Connolly	Grant	960.00	84.00	1,044.00	
George Sheppard	Pension	937.44	84.00	1,021.44	
Reginald Brushett	Pension	960.00	84.00	1,044.00	
Arthur D. Sheehan	Pension	1,047.96	84.00	1,131.96	
William Lownds	Pension	1,068.00	84.00	1,152.00	
Mrs. E. Spruin - wife of Captain Fire Department	Pension	690.24	84.00	774.24	
			<u>16,626.60</u>	<u>1,712.00</u>	<u>18,338.60</u>

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POLICE
SUPERANNUATION

Stephen Kennedy	Detective	Pension	999.96	84.00	1,083.96
Mrs. May Virtue	Policeman	Grant	600.00	204.00	804.00
Howard T. Smith	Policeman	Pension	840.00	84.00	924.00
E.R. Knox	Policeman	Grant	720.00	84.00	804.00
			<u>3,159.96</u>	<u>456.00</u>	<u>3,615.96</u>

R E C A P I T U L A T I O N

OFFICIALS' SUPERANNUATION----- \$ 2,268.00
FIREMEN'S SUPERANNUATION----- 1,712.00
POLICE SUPERANNUATION----- 456.00 \$4,436.00

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

METROPOLITAN SURVEY - REPORT BY DEPUTY MAYOR ✓

Deputy Mayor Vaughan: "Mr. Fielding convened a meeting of representatives of the three municipalities and the Province to receive a report on the Metropolitan Survey. The 4 bodies in this area would each name 3 representatives to discuss the implementation of the items in the report. The City Council has to name its 3 members."

His Worship the Mayor made the following nominations: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen DeWolf and Vaughan.

The nominations were approved by Council.

Alderman O'Brien: "I feel there should be some discussion in our Council on this matter. It seems to me that we are going to have a much broader approach and we will have to aim at achieving something in terms of administration for the Metropolitan area or else the whole thing will collapse. One of the issues discussed at a recent Council meeting was water coming from the County into the City. I would hope that our Council would discuss it enough that the 3 representatives would have some feeling that they knew what our whole Council felt about this. I would hope that it would come out of a discussion here and that would go forward. The internal traffic problems were not considered when the Master Plan was proposed. You cannot blame the people that made the report because they were not considering the City as such for highway purposes. We will have to give serious consideration to that in particular."

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His Worship the Mayor: "We can't over-emphasize this Master Plan for the City and County. I hope the Committee when it meets will consider that a full-time permanent man will be appointed as Executive Secretary to peruse and bring forward the meat for Government action as necessary. I don't think the report has been debated by the Council as such. I think we might do it. We might debate it on January 3/57 or the second meeting this month."

Alderman Vaughan stated that the Metropolitan Survey would bear heavily on any recommendation Professor Stephenson would make and that sewer and water in the Metropolitan area would be of interest to him. If the area is going to be served by sewer and water there would be no doubt in his mind that those areas will have an amazing growth and will draw from Halifax changing the housing picture. He stated that a proper plan had to be submitted when 3 bodies were involved.

It was agreed that this Report be discussed by Council at a meeting scheduled for January 3, 1957.

AUTHORIZATION SECOND PAYMENT TO METROPOLITAN COMMISSION \$10,000.00 ✓

The matter of paying the second portion of the City's share towards the Metropolitan Survey was considered.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the sum of \$10,000.00 be paid under the authority of section 316C of the City Charter to the Municipality of the County of Halifax as part of the City's contribution towards the Metropolitan Survey. Motion passed.

DRAINAGE D'ENTREMONT SUBDIVISION ✓

Withdrawn from agenda as this matter was deferred in the Committee on Works.

Alderman O'Brien: "We met and Mr. D'Entremont agreed verbally to construct the culvert and have a plan for the approval of the Building Inspector. Since then the letter from the Solicitor (Mr. Hatfield) has put the thing up in the air. We are planning another meeting."

BORROWING RESOLUTION 5% PERMANENT STOCK - \$532,450.00 ✓

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

November 15, 1956

A report from the City Manager respecting the redemption of the 5% Permanent Stock issued in 1880 was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee recommends:

1. That the price offered for the redemption of this stock viz: one hundred and fifteen percent of the par value thereof be rescinded as of March 1, 1957.
2. That a borrowing resolution for the sum of \$532,450.00 be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved.

Alderman DeWolf: "Could we secure a bond issue for 30 years at $5\frac{1}{2}\%$ and offer it to these people? It would cost us no more money. It might be attractive to the holders."

City Manager: "That would cost more. If we were to borrow money now it would cost $5\frac{1}{4}\%$ to pay for that. It costs an additional $\frac{1}{4}\%$ for the premium to be written off. We cannot issue bonds for more than 20 years. Now that interest rates have risen to 5% or more investors are willing to look more favorably at the \$15.00 premium than when the interest rates were down to $3\frac{1}{2}$ and 4 percent."

Alderman DeWolf: "I don't think it would cost more. That stock was bought at various prices. Some of it was bought quite low. We know we are getting out of this permanent stock."

His Worship the Mayor: "The Finance and Executive Committee asked that legislation be approved to call it."

Alderman DeWolf: "Surely they (Department of Municipal Affairs) would not throw out 30 year bonds at $5\frac{1}{4}\%$?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I think it is bad. I am not prepared to pay 15% bonus for 5% money. I think the City should seek the advice of a stock broker."

City Manager: "One Company asked us to pay \$130.00 and they would be interested. For many years the going rate of interest was 3 and $3\frac{1}{2}$ percent while the rate paid on the stock was 5%."

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Alderman O'Malley: "Is some of the difficulty in calling in this stock due to the fact that it is not held by individuals but by Trust Companies?"

City Manager: "That is right. We had quite a few individuals who turned it in. If you remove the \$115.00 standing offer, you will want to set another price. Unless the interest rates continue to rise they will not be too much interested."

The motion was then put and passed.

A formal borrowing resolution amounting to \$532,450.00 was submitted.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the resolution be approved. Motion passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, O'Malley, Wyman, Vaughan, O'Brien and Greenwood.

BORROWING RESOLUTION - SCHOOL BOARD - \$30,000.00 ✓

Formal Borrowing Resolutions in the following amounts were submitted:

\$18,000.00 Queen Elizabeth High School (Architect's Fees)
\$12,000.00 Oxford School (" ")

His Worship the Mayor: "The Chairman has indicated to me that these are necessary commitments to make. I trust the Board is not embarking on any heavy capital ventures unless they are necessary for the immediate future for the housing of our school children. I trust the type of buildings we are erecting will be no more expensive than are necessary."

Alderman Lane: "The Oxford School is a replacement of an old building. Queen Elizabeth High School the Board will agree is imperative. We are using rooms that were never intended on the lower level of the school. In 1958 the enrolment will be the largest and the school should be ready. The teachers are teaching under a handicap. Your Board feels it must look far enough ahead so when they want the facilities they will be there."

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the resolutions be approved.

Alderman Lane: "Oxford School is probably the oldest school in the City. This is a replacement. While it is perfectly safe and not at the moment overcrowded, we have found that buildings in some areas are most unpredictable."

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We have to tackle Oxford School sooner or later. It might be allowed to wait for a little time but it cannot be for long. Queen Elizabeth will have to take precedence."

His Worship the Mayor: "I would hope when a resolution comes from the Board we would consider very seriously whether we go ahead with that particular school at this time or hold back for another year."

Alderman Vaughan asked if it were planned to add anything other than classrooms and was advised by Alderman Lane there would be 10 rooms and the equivalent of 8 for domestic science, locker and toilet rooms.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, O'Malley, Wyman, Vaughan, O'Brien and Greenwood

WIDOWS' PENSIONS

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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 under the authority of Section 310H of the City Charter annual allowances be paid to widows of former employees of the City, as follows:

1. Mrs. Alberta Praest	\$228 84	✓
2. Mrs. Agnes Tomlin	568 74	
3. Mrs. Maria Wood	480 00	

Respectfully submitted,

W P Publicover,
CITY CLERK

X Payments to start April 1, 1957.

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

INCINERATOR SITE ✓

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

From: Committee on Works

Date: November 15 1956

Subject: Incinerator Site

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on this date the matter of an incinerator site was considered.

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The Committee recommended that the proposed site at Bedford Basin be recommended to City Council.

Plan No. R.R. - 6 -13618.

Alderman Macdonald against.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Moved by Alderman Ferguson, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved.

Alderman Macdonald: "I think it is taking valuable industrial property or sites which we might be able to use to much greater advantage than an incinerator. I believe there are 3 or 4 briefs coming to the Industrial Commission meeting tomorrow by industrialists who want to establish in that area allied to the abattoir. I certainly think we should have an area on which they could establish. I think there might be other sites not too far away from that which might be used to greater advantage than the dump site. I think there is an area on Lady Hammond Road and Forrester Street which could be purchased and I think it is a logical place for it because it is a junction where large streets run into it. We are short of industrial sites in the City and industrial firms want railway facilities and the Basin shore is the only place for that. I think we should have some place for them to go if they want to establish here."

His Worship the Mayor: "I will ask Mr. West to give us his views on what he would think if we were to put the whole matter to bed for a year or two."

Mr. West: "We submitted a report sometime ago on the different sites for the Industrial Commission and at that time I showed preference for a site on Lady Hammond Road. The site Alderman Macdonald referred to is very close to the site I have in mind. My preference would be for that particular site rather than the one on the Basin as far as location goes. My reason for the Lady Hammond Road site is its locality and accessibility to most of the main roads through the City and up there. It was considered in conjunction with

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the re-location of City Field. I thought they would go hand in hand. With respect to the Irving Oil land we were given to understand that that land was not available for City purposes. They were not going to sell it unless we expropriated it. We went ahead with the Basin site after the Committee on Works asked us to determine if the ground was suitable. We found it was suitable for the type of building and along with the reality that the specifications are ready for our mechanical equipment I wrote a report to the Committee and pointed out that the selection of a site is imperative if we expect to have an incinerator by June of 1958. From an engineering point of view and operational point of view my preference is the site on Lady Hammond Road if we could get one. I realize there are implications involved. I think that an incinerator is a definite necessity in the City. We could possibly go on for some time dumping on the Basin but we are having difficulties there and it is obnoxious to the people in the City. I don't think we can put it off too long if we expect to modernize our garbage collection methods in the City."

City Manager: "I favor the Basin location but I realize the situation with respect to the industrial sites. We must proceed with the incinerator. The National Harbours Board will not put up with the condition of the shores on the north side of the City. I don't think there is any choice on that at all. I don't think there is anything more important. I think we might have to give up sidewalk and sewers in undeveloped areas. We can't go much further to continue to dump on the north shore of the City at the Basin. We are burning paper mixed with garbage. We are dumping the most obnoxious materials on the shore of the Basin. You will have to take some action tonight unless you decide to put it to bed for a year and I hope you don't do that. Mr. Eddy is here tonight with the specifications."

Alderman Macdonald: "I understand there is property on Lady Hammond Road which along with a piece of the Irving Oil property would be sufficient for a site. I think the money would be well spent if we could establish industry where it is proposed to place the incinerator."

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His Worship the Mayor: "Mr. Daley advised me that the owners were considering placing a certain industry on the land which if successful would cause employment for a fairly large number of men, possible 200. He did not say it was going to go through. He said there was a likelihood that it might go through. If we are talking about an incinerator we don't need any more than 2 acres. I agree with you that the land on the tracks and the water is our choice sites for industry. I don't think we would suffer too gravely a penalty if we were to take a small piece of the Irving Oil land."

Alderman Vaughan: "With respect to the site on MacKintosh Street the soil is good. Trucks could be brought in from Lady Hammond Road without building ramps. The higher elevation of the Lady Hammond Road site permits the better dispersal of smoke which might arise on this higher side."

Alderman Wyman: "With respect to the question of a site. I have heard what has been said here. I remember hearing from the firm who is engaged in planning this and also from other firms who proposed to offer their services to the City. There were opinions given by those firms with regard to the choice of site and I have not heard the follow-up on them all. We were assured that the most desirable site was a central one. We were told it was desirable to be on a hill. The one recommended has no hill. We were told there would be an amount of heat generated by an incinerator which could be used provided the demand for it was suitably located. I have heard no suggestion as to what amount of heat we are throwing away by placing the incinerator in a place where we can't use it. I asked for information on this before. I would like to have those questions of mine answered."

Mr. Eddy: "With regard to the central location question. There is no question that the length of haul from the entire area would be less at a central location than any spot on the perimeter. The problem of finding a site seems to be a very grave matter for almost every City. Philadelphia spent 3 years looking for a site and I don't know whether they found one or not. If you can find a site on which you can build one it does have that economic advantage. There is an advantage to have a bit of a slope on an

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incinerator site. Your trucks can come in at the high level and dump into the bin. There are two ways to overcome it if you don't have a slope. You have to build a ramp or dig a bin that much deeper in the ground. We have good bearing material on which to place the foundation. The Basin site is favorable. We would want to make economic studies. All 3 of these sites I think would be satisfactory ones. You have to pick the one that would be the least objectionable to everyone. The question about the advantage of putting it on the Basin industrial area has been put in such a way as if you are frightened of the appearance of the building. I believe it will be the best looking building on the Basin. I would not worry about any smoke from it. In the last 4 or 5 years everybody has become enthusiastic about the fly ash collection and we have put in an alternative bid for fly ash collection. It is expensive.*

His Worship the Mayor: "With respect to our trucking costs; would we be making a survey on a truck mile basis between these two locations? Would you be doing that or would that be our job?"

Mr. Eddy: "That is your job."

His Worship the Mayor: "Is it a job that should be done?"

Mr. Eddy: "I don't think so. It is not ordinarily done. The choice of a site is based on the rule of where you can put it. There is a great deal of heat from the incinerator. It might be desirable to take advantage of it. In Boston we are going to use the steam for the Hospital. I doubt if there is one in 100 that generates any steam. 99 send it up the chimney. There is no use in trying to generate steam and conserve that use unless you have a real worthwhile way of utilizing it. I would not think it was a good gamble that some use might be developed in the future that does not exist at the present time.*"

Alderman Macdonald: "What about the difference in costs in locating on a slope?"

Alderman Dunlop arrives at 10.00 P.M.

Mr. Eddy: "The physical cost of a ramp is substantial. You should consider off-setting that by the price of a site. I would expect that the Irving Oil site might cost as much as the saving in the ramp. I don't know. The City

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will have to dispose of the ash from the incinerator so that 50 years from now you will have a hard time to find a place to dump. The Basin may receive clean ash."

Alderman Wyman: "I spoke previously with respect to an incinerator site and a new building in the downtown area and getting the heat from the incinerator to heat the building, as a result of that the newspapers and citizens have raised various questions. I would like to ask two questions. With a modern incinerator is there any question of the possibility of a rat nuisance?"

Mr. Eddy: "I don't see how it can be. No."

Alderman Wyman: "What about odor from the stack?"

Mr. Eddy: "There would be no odor from the stack."

Alderman Wyman: "Would it be an advisable scheme if we found a downtown location to use the heat from the incinerator for the stores on Barrington Street?"

Mr. Eddy: "I don't believe it would be economically worthwhile for you. The demand is only there in the winter and I doubt very much whether you would get your dollars' worth."

Alderman Abbott: "I favour the Basin site because it is recommended by our Officials and we own the site and don't have to buy it. With money at a premium today and at a high rate of interest it would be advisable to put the incinerator on that site. I don't think the incinerator will do any harm to industries going up there."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Dunlop that the City Manager and Commissioner of Works consider the possibilities of purchasing the area of land at Lady Hammond Road and MacKintosh Street with a view to obtaining it as an incinerator site

Alderman Dunlop: "I don't favor the Basin site. There will be a saving in the trucking costs. It is $\frac{1}{4}$ of a mile shorter than to the Basin. If we take the Basin land it will cost \$36,000.00. For \$50,000.00 we could get an area there and we would get rid of one of the eyesores of the north end. We could expropriate that. I would expropriate and get the price after we have to establish the market price and there is no better way to do it than through the proceedings of the Court."

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Alderman Ferguson: "The Cooper site has never come before the Committee on Works. We have spent money for borings. If we are going to start to look into sites we will be another several months before we get anywhere again."

His Worship the Mayor: "It could come up at our November 29th meeting."

Alderman Ferguson: "We could defer the whole thing and bring it to the Committee on Works next Tuesday."

Mr. West: "I would be happy with the Cooper site and a small piece off the Irving Oil Land."

The amendment was put and passed 8 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Wyman
Vaughan
O'Brien
Greenwood
DeWolf
Dunlop
Macdonald
O'Malley

AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott
Lane
Fox
Ferguson

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TENDERS TO BE CALLED FOR DECEMBER 18, 1956

It was agreed that tenders for Incinerator Equipment be called returnable December 18, 1956.

Alderman DeWolf: "On what basis are you calling for tenders? When are they to be supplied; Does the price hold 6 or 9 months hence?"

Mr. Eddy: "The contractor is given 18 months from the date of the acceptance of his bid on the theory that in the 18 months the building will have been carried to such an extent that he can complete his work. His price is a firm price if you proceed with the building with reasonable dispatch."

Alderman DeWolf: "Will the deliveries synchronize with the building?"

Mr. Eddy: "The man does not get paid for anything until it is delivered on the site. There is a requirement that he co-ordinates his work with the building contractor."

WRITE-OFF HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS \$41,006.02

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

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The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend for approval the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting Infectious Diseases Hospital Write-Offs.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

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

From: L.M. Romkey, Commissioner of Finance.

Date: November 6, 1956

Subject: Infectious Diseases Hospital Write-offs

Your Worship and Aldermen:

I submit herewith a list of uncollectible Infectious Diseases Hospital accounts amounting to \$41,008.02. \$29,365.21 relates to the period from 1931 to 1944. These accounts amounted to approximately \$66,000.00 when they were transferred to the Finance and Accounting Department for collection. Apparently we had no authority to sue for outstanding accounts relating to the above period. However in 1943 the City Charter was amended giving the City authority to fix prices for patients in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, also Statutory authority to collect these accounts. \$11,640.81 has been set up in our ledgers and is chargeable to the City of Halifax for student nurses, wards of the City of Halifax, prisoners at City Prison and City Home inmates.

I therefore request the authority of City Council to have these accounts written off. We have sufficient reserves set aside to look after these accounts.

Respectfully submitted,

L.M. Romkey,
COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Wyman that the report be approved. Motion passed

WRITE-OFF TAX ACCOUNTS \$203.13 ✓

November 13, 1956

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 totalling the sum of \$203.13 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 Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Wyman that the report be approved. Motion passed

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DISPOSAL OF OLD SIREN POLICE DEPARTMENT

November 6, 1956.

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

A request from the Fire Chief at Wallington, N.S. for an old siren which is of no further use to the Police Department was considered by the Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the request be granted and the siren sold for a nominal sum of \$1.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

DISPOSAL OF OLD SADDLES POLICE DEPARTMENT ✓

November 6, 1956.

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

A request from Mr. Donald S. Grant of 174 Willow Street, Truro, N.S., to purchase three saddles which are of no further use to the Police Department for the sum of \$60.00 was considered by the Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the saddles be sold to Mr. Grant for the sum mentioned.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

DISPOSAL OF LADDER TRUCK FIRE DEPARTMENT ✓

This item was withdrawn from the agenda as it was pointed out that the truck would be used by the Work Department.

INCREASING CAPACITY OF POLICE DEPARTMENT ✓

Alderman Fox: "I feel the way the City is growing that our Police Department should be increased by at least 24 men. It is operating for the area they have to cover with nothing more or less than skeleton crews. 25 years ago we had as many patrolmen on the streets as we have today. They

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should be put on as patrolmen to give the citizens in the west and northwest ends of the City protection. After that there should be some consideration given to the establishing of a Sub-Police Station. Some money could be saved on hauls to the centre of town."

He then gave Notice of Motion that he will move at the next regular meeting of Council that this matter be considered.

The Chief of Police advised that he had included in the 1957 estimates money for an additional 14 men.

DISCOUNT ON TAXES ✓

Alderman Fox gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he will move that the discount on taxes be restored and the necessary legislation obtained.

INVERTED UNION JACK ✓

Alderman Wyman again drew attention to the inverted Union Jack and asked to have it showing properly.

SACKVILLE STREET PARKING LOT ✓

Alderman Wyman: "The lot on Sackville Street and Bell Road was before Council and it was ordered closed as of November 30th. It should be closed as of that date and in the meantime a study made of a possible alternative. What has come out of the study of the alternative?"

His Worship the Mayor: "We have not had such an increase in this City in the last 8 years that has not been taken care of to some extent by taking out a city block on Grafton Street and one at Barrington & Buckingham Streets. If we took out another 3 or 6 blocks, you would still have parking problems. There must come a time to stop withdrawing land and turning it into a parking lot. I am opposed to taking over further large blocks of land for parking purposes. We can't afford it."

The City Manager stated with respect to providing parking in the area, if it is to be a City responsibility, it will be necessary for the City to buy a block of land on the north side of Spring Garden Road and he had not given that item consideration. He did not see how a parking lot could be undertaken when an incinerator and schools were needed first. Referring to the Sackville Street

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lot, he said there were about 100 cars using it and that from what people had said objecting to it being closed, in all fairness the people asking for it were people who work somewhere and leave their cars there all day. He also advised that very few cities provide parking for this type of customer.

A. Mr. Hirshfeld addressed the Council and said that about 200 cars were using the lot and certain groups were included in the number. If the lot were closed the cars would go back on the street. He stated they felt the lot could be fixed up and that a charge or rental be made for its use.

Alderman O'Brien stated that the study to be undertaken was that of an alternative as indicated in the City Manager's report and it was not designated as to what person was to make the study. He felt the Council should proceed on the recommendation of the Traffic Authority who suggested that the parking be regulated.

Alderman Lane: "I am in that area 5 days a week and these cars move in and out of these lots. I have never found a small spot for a Volkswagen. The lot is in a disgraceful condition. It is full of mud and holes. It would break the springs out of any car. If this is to operate it should be surfaced and metered. There has to be some limits. They are encroaching up to the fence of the Department of National Defence. We are delinquent if we allow the present condition to continue. In larger cities on this continent the business of parking is the individual's problem and if you take your car down town you find a place to put it at 50¢ a morning. That is the condition in Toronto. This City has adequate public transportation."

Alderman Lane moved that the lot be closed but His Worship the Mayor advised that that motion was already on the books and that it would stand.

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN O'MALLEY ✓

Alderman O'Malley gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he will move that the resolution passed by the Council on July 12, 1956 respecting the Parking Lot on Sackville Street, be rescinded. He said there should be a definite report as to what facilities would be available.

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Alderman Dunlop: "Can we close it on the 30th of November and open it on December 1st? I would like to see it metered. I would like to see Brunswick Street metered. There was going to be a concrete wall put up."

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Greenwood that the Sackville Street lot be re-opened on December 1st.

Alderman Greenwood referred to the bad points mentioned by Alderman Lane with respect to this lot but said in spite of those it was still filled with cars.

Alderman Fox: "What about storage for all the people's cars after 1 A.M.?"

Alderman Wyman: "We have failed to meet with the intent of the July 12th meeting in that the study has not been made and the decision has not yet been taken as to whether or not the alternative can be provided."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the lot be re-opened on December 1st for one month and that before the 31st of December this Council decide definitely what if anything can be done to provide parking in that area.

Alderman DeWolf: "Any charges?"

The amendment was put and passed 7 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Vaughan
O'Brien
Greenwood
DeWolf
Abbott
O'Malley
Wyman

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Dunlop
Lane
Macdonald
Fox
Ferguson

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It was decided to place this item on the agenda of the Safety and Works Committee for discussion on December 4th.

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN LANE ✓

Alderman Lane gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the City Council she will move that consideration be given to the matter of a supplementary grant for Mrs. Lillian Rafuse, retired Policawoman.

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NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN O'BRIEN ✓

Alderman O'Brien gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he will move that consideration be given to the matter of a supplementary grant for Inspector E.B. Lloy.

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN FOX ✓

Alderman Fox gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he will move that consideration be given to the matter of a supplementary grant for Dr. H.S. McFatridge.

VIOLATION PART #5 ZONING BY-LAW ✓

Alderman O'Brien: "I would suggest that the City Manager endeavour to arrange a time and notify the Aldermen to see the evidence with respect to the violation of Part #5 of the Zoning By-Law. I have a petition from the residents of the Pinehurst Association which I will leave with the City Clerk."

LEASE CONSOLIDATED TERMINALS LIMITED ✓

The City Solicitor stated that a question had arisen with respect to fencing the property under lease to the above firm on Leppert Street. He asked if it were the intention of Council to fence off only the boundary running through the school property and was advised in the affirmative.

It was agreed that the lease be worded accordingly.

UNDERSIZED LOT 1568 BARRINGTON STREET ✓

To: His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.
From: Town Planning Board.
Date: November 6th, 1956.
Subject: Undersized Lot - No. 1568 Barrington Street.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on the above date, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending refusal of an application to construct a basement apartment on a lot of 3,120 square feet, was considered.

The Board approved the Town Planning Engineer's recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the T.P. Board.
From: W.A.G. Snook, Town Planning Engineer.
Date: October 30th, 1956.
Subject: Undersized Lot 1568 Barrington Street.

Your Worship and Members.

Attached is an application to construct a basement apartment at the above address; the lot size is 3,120 square feet which is far below the required 5,000 square feet for a two family dwelling; hence the lot is some 37 percent undersize.

I have examined the site and would recommend the Board refuse this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

UNDERSIZED LOT 47 SEAFORTH STREET ✓

At the request of Mr. E.F. Cragg, Solicitor for the applicant this item was withdrawn from the agenda.

REQUEST TO REZONE #12 QUINN STREET

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

LEASE OF LAND MR. J.S. BOUTILIER (FLEMING PARK) ✓

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: November 6, 1956.
Subject: J.S. Boutilier, Lease of Land, Fleming Park.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above date an application from Mr. Josiah S. Boutilier for renewal of his lease of the jib of land at Fleming Park on the same terms as last year was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

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EASEMENTS HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION ✓

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: November 6, 1956.
Subject: Easements to Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered the attached report from the City Solicitor relative to two easements to be granted to the Commission one as a right-of-way for the bridge 50 ft. wide over the new diagonal street, and the other an easement for the maintenance of the retaining wall on the east side of Lorne Terrace.

The Committee approved and recommended that the easement be executed by the Mayor and City Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works.
From: C.P. Bethune, Q.C., City Solicitor.
Date: October 29, 1956.
Subject: Re: Easements to Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission.

At the December 8, 1955 meeting of your Committee a report from the City Engineer was received, recommending the conveyance to the City by the Commission of four parcels of land for easing the corners of North Street at Barrington and Brunswick Streets. The report also pointed out that two easements were to be granted to the Commission - one as a right-of-way for the bridge 50' wide over the new diagonal Street, and the other an easement for the maintenance of the retaining wall on the East side of Lorne Terrace.

I find that the Works Committee recommended to City Council only the acceptance of the four parcels of land and made no recommendation respecting the easements.

In order to authorize the delivery of agreement of these easements, authority must be given by the Council. I attach hereto the proposed easement and recommend that the Mayor and Clerk be authorized to execute the same.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. BETHUNE,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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

STREET LIGHTING PINWOOD ACRES ✓

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

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From: Committee on Works
Date: November 6, 1956
Subject: Street Lighting

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above date a report from the City Electrician recommending that approximately ten 500 C.F. Street Lights be installed at Pinewood Area of an estimated cost of \$825.00, to be charged to Capital Borrowing for new Subdivision, was approved and recommended to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. P. Sullivan
CITY CLERK

Per: J. B. Screen,
Clerk of Works

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

CONFIRMATORY DEEDS - BUTLER AND HINCH ✓

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council
From: Committee on Works
Date: November 6, 1956
Subject: Confirmatory Deeds - Butler Bros. Ltd. and John H. Hinch.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works on the above date the attached report from the City Solicitor suggesting that Confirmatory Deeds of Lots 6 and 7, City Dump Property, be given to both John H. Hinch and Butler Bros. Ltd., with a description that would clear up any discrepancies, was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. P. Sullivan
CITY CLERK

Per: J. B. Screen.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works
From: C. P. Bethune, Q. C., City Solicitor
Date: November 5, 1956
Subject: Re: Lots 6 and 7, City Dump Property

In 1949, Lot No. 6 and 7 of the Subdivision of the City Dump were sold to Donald E. Graves and in the same year Lot No. 6 and 7 were sold to John H. Hinch. Both of these deeds contained a description that they were subject to an easement for a railway cutting through the lot. It was noted that the description of the easement for the railway cutting through the lot was ambiguous. The Graves property was owned by Butler Brothers Limited

In order to clear up any doubts, it is suggested that contradictory deeds be given to both John H. Houch and Hatcher Brothers Limited, with a description that would clear up any discrepancy.

If this meets with your approval, will you kindly recommend the same to Council.

Yours very truly,

CARL P. REYNOLDS
CITY SOLICITOR.

Per T. C. Boyle

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

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES WORKS DEPARTMENT - FISH - GROCERIES AND LICENSE PLATES

Tabulations of tenders received for the supply of the above were submitted and same are attached to the original copy of this report.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan seconded by Alderman Gr. moved that the recommendations be approved. Motion passed

SAND AND GRAVEL

City Manager: "We received a bid for sand and gravel. We would like to get authority from Council to request quotations and then bring it before you for the lowest."

The request of the City Manager is granted.

Alderman DeWolf: "There is a bid submitted with respect to groceries that tenders be sought from wholesale outside the city. I hope that did not pass. I would not agree with that."

City Manager: "If there were only one bid for groceries at our price and there would be no competition."

SALARY MRS. Ferguson

The matter of paying the salary of Mrs. Ferguson is referred to the question of a supplementary grant. It is referred to the attention of Council by the Chief of Police as a way of settling the salary of Mrs. Ferguson with

No action was taken on this matter.

LESLIE G. CHAS. K. ...

To: His Worship the Mayor
From: Committee on War

TABULATION OF TENDERS

FOR SUPPLIES

1957

CITY OF HALIFAX.

TABULATION OF TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES 1957

ASPHALT, TAR, ROAD OILS AND COLD PATCH

ITEM	PRICE 1957	PRICE 1956
<u>ASPHALT</u>		
RC 2-3-4-5 (tank wagon)	18.00¢ gallon delivered	18.00¢
RC 2-3-4-5 (tank wagon)	17.10¢ " FOB Imperoyal Refinery	17.10¢
RC 1-2-3-4-5 (drums-carload)	22.50¢ gallon delivered	22.50¢
MC 0-1-2-3-4-5 (tank car)	17.40¢ " "	17.40¢
MC 0-1-2-3-4-5 (tank wagon)	16.50¢ Gal.FOB Imperoyal Refinery	16.50¢
MC 01-2-3-4-5 (drums-carload)	21.90¢ Gal. delivered	21.90¢
SC 5 (tank wagon)	.12¢ " FOB Imperoyal Refinery	
SC 5 (tank car)	15.80¢ " delivered	14.70¢
SC 5 (tank wagon)	14.90¢ " FOB Imperoyal Refinery	13.80¢
SC 6 (drums-carload)	20.30¢ " delivered in returnable drums.	19.20¢
SC 6 (drums-carload)	25.50¢ " delivered in Non-returnable drums	
Special primer (tank car)	18.00¢ " delivered	18.00¢
Special primer (tank wagon)	17.10¢ gallon FOB Imperoyal	17.10¢

PERMANENT LIMITED

Only tender received -- Recommended.

A. A. LeBarde

CITY MANAGER.

CITY OF HALIFAX

TABULATION OF TENDER FOR SUPPLIES 1957

APPLICATION OF ROAD OILS, TARS AND
LIQUID ASPHALT ON STREETS IN THE
CITY OF HALIFAX.

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>ITEM</u>	(1957) <u>PRICE PER GAL.</u>	<u>PRICE 1956</u>
MUNICIPAL SPRAYING & CONTRACTING LIMITED.	Application dust layer	2½¢	2½¢
	Application Rotar B or other bituminous oil of similar consistency	4¢	3¾¢
	Application of Rotar R.T., etc.	4¢	3¾¢

Only tender received - Recommended

MUNICIPAL SPRAYING
CONTRACTING LIMITED.

A. A. Seabard

CITY MANAGER.

CITY OF HALIFAX.

TABULATION OF TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES 1957

SPECIAL CASTINGS.

DESCRIPTION OF CASTING		(1957) PRICE PER LB.	PRICE 1956
Manhole covers	cover	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	11 $\frac{1}{4}$ ¢
Manhole covers	grating	13 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	13¢
Manhole covers		11¢	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
Manhole covers	sewer square	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
Manhole covers	track	12¢	11¢
Manhole covers	coal hole	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
Manhole frames	sewer square	12¢	11¢
Manhole frames	track	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	10 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
Manhole frames	coal hole	12¢	11¢
Manhole steps		15¢	13 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
Street Monuments	casting	12¢	11¢
Manhole grates		12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢	11 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢
Manhole covers		13¢	12 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢

W. A. SONS LTD.

Only TENDER received - Recommended.

A. A. Seabrook

CITY MANAGER.

CITY OF HALIFAX,

TABULATION OF TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES - 1957

DESCRIPTION	S A L T.		PRICE 1956.
	SUPPLIER	(1957) PRICE	
1. the supply of unused at Warehouse, 100 lb.. and placed on City Trucks SUPPLIER STAFF.	BURNS FISHERIES LTD.	96¢	96¢
	A.M. SMITH CO. LTD.	96¢	96¢
the supply of unused in 100 lb. Bags delivered City Field.	BURNS FISHERIES LTD.	\$1.00	96¢
	A.M. Smith & Co. LTD.	1.00	96¢

is recommended the City purchase from both SUPPLIERS on an equitable basis.

A. A. DeBard

CITY MANAGER.

CITY OF HALIFAX.

TABLATIONS OF TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES - 1957.

GASOLINE, OILS, ETC.

ITEM	PANTHER OIL.	IRVING OIL.	IMPERIAL OIL	McCOLL FRONTENAC	CANADIAN OIL	PETROFINA OIL
GASOLINE	-	40.70¢	39.70¢	.387¢	38.8¢	(X 38.55¢ (37.7¢ 27.2¢
MARKED GAS	-	26.70¢	26.20¢	-	X 24.2¢	-
NAPHTHA GAS	-	27.40¢	X 26.90¢	-	-	-
KEROSENE	-	24.70¢	X 23.20¢	-	23.7¢	-
DIESEL FUEL	-	X 16.90¢	18.00¢	-	17.8¢	18.00¢
MOTOR OIL 45's	\$ 1.70	.85¢	.78¢	.803¢	X .77¢	80.00¢
MOTOR OIL QTS	-	26.25¢	.25¢	.2915¢	X .24¢	31.00¢
DIESEL LUBE.	-	\$ 1.02	X .95¢	\$ 1.045	\$ 1.15	95.00¢
HOIST OIL	\$ 1.33	53.75¢	X .50¢	.55¢	61.5¢	74.00¢
FLUSHING OIL	-	X .41¢	.50¢	.53¢	50.5¢	-
LUBE 80 & 140.	31.5¢	.16¢	\$1.20 gal. 12¢ Lb.	.12¢	X 11.5¢	15.00¢
HYPOID 80 to 140.	31.5¢	.16	\$1.33 gal. 13.3 Lb.	.12¢	X 11.5¢	15.00¢
ALL PURPOSE GREASE.	31.5¢	.26	17.50¢	.225¢	X 17.20¢	17.50¢

X - Recommended Tender.

Identical bids received from Imperial Oil and Canadian Petrofina. Recommended this item be purchased from Imperial Oil as City present. ing their product, approximately 7 Drums used 19

City Manager.

CITY OF HALIFAX

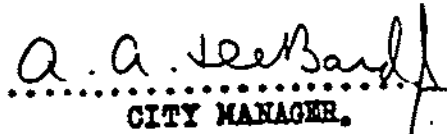
TABULATION OF TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES 1957

CRUSHED STONE

<u>SIZE</u>		(1957) PRICE DELIVERED AT CRUSHER PER TON.	<u>PRICE 1956</u>
1	Passing 3½" screen retained on 2¼"	\$1.90	\$1.90
2	" 2¼" " " " 1½"	1.95	1.95
3	" 1½" " " " ¾"	2.20	2.20
4	" 1" " " " ½"	2.30	2.20
5	" ½" " " " ¼"	2.40	2.30
6	" 2¼" " " " ½"	2.10	2.10
7	" 1" Crusher run	2.10	-
8	Oversize 3" retained on 1"	2.00	-
9	Oversize 6" " on 3"	1.90	-
10	Rice Stone	2.25	2.20

MUNICIPAL SPRAYING AND CONTRACTING LTD.

only TENDER received - recommended.



 CITY MANAGER.

C I T Y O F H A L I F A X.

TABULATION OF TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES 1957

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

<u>SUPPLIER</u>	<u>FURNACE OIL PER GAL.</u>	<u>STOVE OIL PER GAL.</u>	<u>BUNKER "A" PER GAL.</u>	<u>BUNKER "C" PER GAL.</u>
Archibald Coal & Oil.	16.6¢	19.0¢	-	-
Esso Oil Co.Ltd.	X 15.60¢	X 17.90¢	-	-
S. Cunard & Co.Ltd.	15.7¢	18.0¢	11.9¢	X 10.25¢
Imperial Oil Ltd.	15.95¢	20.10¢	X 11.90¢	10.25¢

- Recommended Tenders.

Identical Bids received from S. Cunard & Co.Ltd., and Imperial Oil Ltd., for the Supply of BUNKER "A" and BUNKER "C".

It is recommended that BUNKER "A" be purchased from Imperial Oil Ltd., and BUNKER "C" from S. Cunard & Co.Ltd.

PRICES 1956.

Furnace Oil	15.7 ¢ per gallon
Stove Oil	18.0 ¢ " "
Bunker "A"	11.90 ¢ " "
Bunker "C"	10.25 ¢ " "

...A.A. DeBard...
CITY MANAGER.

CITY OF HALIFAX.

TABULATION OF TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES 1957

ITEM	UNION COAL	COAL		ARCHIBALD COAL	MATHEWS COAL
		CUNARD	COAL		
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<u>BRACITE</u>					
WELSH	35.50	35.25		X 34.50	36.50
AMERICAN	31.00	30.75		X 29.50	
<u>BITUMINOUS</u>					
SCREENED	16.47	15.16		15.95	15.75
		14.98			X 14.75
		15.67			
SLACK	13.21	13.67		13.17	13.75
				15.40	X 12.75
EX-OF-MINE	15.37	13.91		-	15.25
		15.17			X 13.75
STOKER O.T.	16.39	15.66		X 15.25	16.85
		15.48		16.50	X 15.25
		16.80		16.35	
				15.10	Not O.T.
STOKER SLACK	X 13.21	13.67		16.50	15.35
				16.35	13.75
				13.95	
<u>COALS</u>					
COKE	27.00	27.00		24.43	
				X 23.35	
FOR A	19.50	18.50		17.25	X 15.95
BLOWER	26.00	26.00		X 24.90	27.50
BRIQUETTES	28.00	27.00		X 25.70	

Recommended Tender.

Identical bids received for Oil Treated Stoker Slack at \$15.25 from Archibald Coal Co. and Mathews Coal Co., and it is recommended that the Tender be divided.

.....A. A. DeBardf.

CITY MANAGER.

TABULATION
OF
GROCERIES & FISH
FOR PERIOD OF SIX MONTHS
BEGINNING NOVEMBER 26TH 1956

CITY OF HALIFAX

ITEM 25B
CITY COUNCIL
NOV. 15, 1956

NOVA SCOTIA

TABULATION OF FISH TENDERS, HALIFAX TUBERCULOSIS,
INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITALS, CITY HOME AND CITY PRISON.

CITY OF HALIFAX, 1956.	DAY BURNE FISHERIES.	LB'S FISHERMAN'S MARKET	NO. BOUILLIERS	LOW TENDER
	.30	.09	.11	KBN
	.11	.16	.16½	KAN
	.27	.27	.29	A. & B. Even.
	.18	.18	.19	A. & B. Even
	.17	.18	.18	A.
	.44	.42	.46	B.
	.15	.13	.15	A. & B. Even
	.31	.31	.32	A. & B. Even
	.17	.18	.19	A.
	.31	.31	.33	A. & B. Even
	.31	.34	.31	A.
	.33	.37	.30	A.
	8.21	7.95	8.45	B.
	.17	.14	.17	B
	.18	.17	.17	A
	.23	.23	.24	A. & B. Even
	.27	.26½	.28	B
	.17	.17	.18	A. & B. Even
	.59	.50	.61	A

Prices indicated in 4th. Column to the right.
 - Burne Fisheries Ltd., and Fisherman's Market Ltd., quoted identical prices
 for the Low Tender - see column to right at a cost of \$769.50, respectively.
 It is suggested that the Tender to split on a monthly rotation basis for these items.

C I T Y O F H A L I F A X

NOVA SCOTIA

Item 250
City Council
November 15, 1956.

TABULATION OF GROCERY TENDERS.

FOR

HALIFAX TUBERCULOSIS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITALS

<u>GROUPS</u>		<u>HOWARDS LIMITED.</u>
<u>GROUP 1.</u>	Canned and Dry Fruits, Jams and Juices.	\$5,055.11
<u>GROUP 2.</u>	Canned and Dry Vegetables	2,773.26
<u>GROUP 3.</u>	Canned Soup, Bottled Sauces, Chow & Pickles, Canned Fish	3,892.26
<u>GROUP 4.</u>	Cereals, Coffee, Tea, Flour, Sugar, Biscuits, Cheese.	8,296.66
<u>GROUP 5.</u>	Soaps, Cleaning Material	685.49
<u>GROUP 6.</u>	All Other Supplies	2,777.46

RECOMMENDED TENDER, HOWARDS LIMITED - ONLY ONE RECEIVED.

Since there is only one tenderer from the City of Halifax, I would recommend that hereafter we seek tenders from wholesalers outside the City.

.....*A. A. DeBard*.....
CITY MANAGER.

CITY OF HALIFAX

NOVA SCOTIA.

ITEM 25B
CITY COUNCIL
NOV. 15, 1956

TABULATION
FOR LICENSE PLATES, BADGES, TAGS, ETC.

FOR 1957

R. R. POWER LTD.

3000	only Dog Tags for the sum of	\$ 141. 30
15	only Bill Poster Badges for the sum of.....	\$ 17. 24
2700	" Bicycle License Plates for the sum of.....	\$ 415. 46
175	" Automatic Machine Plates for the sum of.....	\$ 31. 39
5	" Coal Hawkers Badges for the sum of.....	\$ 7. 83
5	" " " Plates for the sum of.....	\$ 20. 66
350	Prs. Taxi Plates for the sum of.....	\$ 145. 00
30	Only Magazine Salesmen Badges for the sum of.....	\$ 28.62
30	Only Peddlers Badges for the sum of.....	\$ 28.62
30	Only Peddlers License Plates for the sum of.....	\$ 20.66
125	Only Truck License Plates for the sum of.....	\$ 31.06
10	Only Chimney Sweeps Badges for the sum of.....	\$ 11.25

TENDER RECEIVED - RECOMMENDED.

The above Tenderer agrees, within the time allotted, Dec. 28th, 1956, to furnish
the above listed items for the grand total of.....\$ 899.09
Plus Fed.S.Tax 89.90
928.99

D. C. Woodward
.....
CITY MANAGER.

November 15, 1956.

Date: November 6, 1956.

Subject: Lease of Grafton Street Parking Lot.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above date a request from the Downtown Merchants for renewal of lease of Grafton Street Parking Lot was considered.

The Committee recommended that the lease be renewed for one year on the same terms and conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PAYMENT TO CUSTODIS CANADIAN CHIMNEY CO.,LTD. ✓

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: November 6, 1956.

Subject: Custodis Canadian Chimney Co.Ltd. - Account - \$1250.00

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date recommended that the Custodis Canadian Chimney Co.,Ltd. be paid \$1250.00 in settlement of their account for repairs to the chimneys at the City Home and Tuberculosis Hospital.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHTS CONNAUGHT AVENUE & QUINPOOL ROAD ✓

November 6, 1956.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, a report was submitted from the Chief of Police recommending that a traffic signal control system be established at the intersection of Connaught Avenue and Quinpool Road.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 15, 1956.

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RENTAL CONTROL ✓

To: His Worship L.A. Kitz, and Members of City Council.
From: Mr. A.A. DeBard, Jr., City Manager.
Date: November 14, 1956.
Subject: Synopsis of Rental activities - Rental authority for 10 month period to November 1st, 1956.

The following tabulation has been presented by Mr. Ferguson, Rental Control Officer. If the activity is to go beyond November 30, \$800.00 must be appropriated.

<u>1956</u>	<u>Applications received</u>	<u>Form E's approved</u>	<u>Total cases</u>
January	49	56	105
February	20	103	123
March	29	70	99
April	36	92	128
May	16	64	80
June	8	17	25
July	—	—	—
August	29	42	71
September	25	29	54
October	11	42	53
	<u>223</u>	<u>515</u>	<u>738</u>

N.B. As we did not function in July the average number of cases handled per month would be 82.

In addition many problems are ironed out of which we do not keep a record, such as lack of heat, deletion of services, irregular notices, etc.

You will note that Mutual Agreements appear to be the most popular form of procedure. They are often the result of enquiries at this office, contact with landlord and tenant and inspection of premises by Mr. Ferguson.

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

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved and the sum of \$800.00 appropriated under the authority of section 316C of the City Charter to continue Rental Control to Dec. 31, 1956. Motion passed.

SPRINGHILL DISASTER RELIEF FUND ✓

November 13, 1956.

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 legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to contribute the sum of \$5,000.00 to the Springhill Disaster Relief Fund.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

November 15, 1956.

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

The City Solicitor submitted legislation covering the above grant.

Alderman Dunlop suggested that the words "by-law" be inserted between the words "made" and "for".

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Greenwood that the legislation be approved with the insertion of the words "by-law". Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE HALIFAX NATAL DAY ✓

Deferred for one month.

SCAVENGING ON THE CITY DUMP ✓

November 15, 1956.

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

The attached report from the Chief of Police respecting "Scavenging on City Dumps" was considered by the Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved and the necessary legislation obtained at the next session of the Legislature.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. PUBLISHER
CITY CLERK.

November 6, 1956.

His Worship the Mayor,
Members of the Safety Committee.

From time to time complaints are received of persons scavenging on our City Dumps.

There have been a number of persons charged before the Court with violating the provisions of "Regulations Relative to Scavenging and the Disposal of Garbage and Refuse" but we find from a practical point of view this number could perhaps be greatly increased if we had the authority to arrest without warrant any person contravening the above mentioned regulations.

From time to time persons have been apprehended, their names taken, summonses issued, and we have been unable to locate them for service of the summons and there has been no prosecution.

I would therefore recommend that either the Public Health Act, under which these regulations were made, or the City Charter be amended to provide authority for police officers to arrest without warrant any person violating the provisions of these regulations.

Yours very truly,

V.W. Mitchell
CHIEF OF POLICE

November 15, 1956.

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

AQUARIUM POINT PLEASANT PARK ✓

October 29, 1956.

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

At a meeting of the Directors of Point Pleasant Park held on the above date the matter of the establishment of an aquarium in the Park was discussed at some length.

The Commission wishes to advise City Council that it does not approve of the establishment of an aquarium in the Park at the present time and feels that the money could be better spent on other interests in the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor: "They should consider how the Park should be run and not how we spend our money. We will have to consider that again."

FILED

PURCHASE OF PATROL WAGON POLICE DEPARTMENT ✓

November 15, 1956.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Chief of Police recommending that a Patrol Wagon be purchased this year.

Your Committee recommends that tenders be called for the purchase of this item.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

LEGISLATION Re: CANCELLATION OF TAXES - 64A AND 68 ABBOTT DRIVE ✓

November 13, 1956.

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 following item of legislation:

November 15, 1956.

(1) The City may write off and cancel the real property taxes and fire protection rate, amounting to sixty-seven dollars and fourteen cents, assessed against Samuel Butler in respect of lot No. 68 Abbott Drive for the years 1953, 1954 and 1955, together with the interest accrued thereon.

(2) The City may pay to Cyril F. Abbott the sum of fifty-three dollars and ninety-eight cents, being the amount of real property taxes and fire protection rate and interest thereon paid by the said Cyril F. Abbott to the City in respect of lot No. 64A Abbott Drive for the years 1954 and 1955, and the City may write off and cancel the real property taxes and fire protection rate, amounting to twenty-nine dollars and twenty-five cents, assessed against the said Cyril F. Abbott in respect of the said lot No. 64A Abbott Drive for the year 1956 together with the interest accrued thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the report be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Abbott abstaining from voting.

RETIREMENT MR. A.J. YEADON ✓

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

REQUEST FOR GRANT UNIVERSITY OF KINGS COLLEGE ✓

November 13, 1956

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

A request from the University of King's College for a grant to its development fund has been considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at different occasions.

At a meeting held on the above date a motion was moved and seconded that the matter be referred to Council without recommendation, an amendment that no grant be made was moved, seconded and on being put was passed with four members of the Committee voting for and three voting against.

Respectfully submitted,

W P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

Alderman Lane: "I would like to have the opportunity to point out that a great many people in this City are very much interested in Kings College. We have been very generous to Dalhousie University in the past which is regarded as an industry within our midst and I think Kings can be so regarded in a smaller way. They deserve something from this City in that they are striving to contribute to the cultural life of the City."

November 15, 1956.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Wyman that a grant of \$15,000.00 over a period of 5 years be made to the University of Kings College and the necessary legislation obtained.

Alderman Wyman: "I think we should also remember that Kings College has contributed much in the way of specialized educational courses for the adults of this City."

Alderman O'Brien: "I think universities need help but at this time when the Federal Government has indicated that it is willing to increase its aid to the universities, I feel we who have not great tax resources, should permit the Federal Government to carry that burden. I don't feel we should go ahead and support this motion when there is a possibility with time of increasing aid from the Federal Government to the universities. I feel we should leave it to them."

Alderman Macdonald: "I know it will have an effect on the tax rate for 1957. I know the school program is heavy for 1957 and probably for 5 years. I believe our total grants are close to \$200,000.00 a year. I think we should consider very carefully the effect of this large amount of grant on the tax payers of the City of Halifax. For myself I would like to have a little more time before I make up my mind how I could vote on it. I would like to see it deferred for one month."

Alderman Vaughan: "Dr. Kerr said the resulting benefits to the University by the Federal Government would be \$80.00 per student. This would be an amount of between \$18,000.00 to \$24,000.00 a year. The Federal Government is going to contribute to this college an amount of \$400,000.00 over the next 20 years. I am quite convinced that there will be other demands placed on this Council equally meriting consideration as Kings. We are getting into an entirely different field. Dalhousie I have supported in the past and I will continue to do so as it does maintain a school of medicine and it is of great value to the citizens of Halifax. There is a fine hospital set-up. We are losing that medical program in the City of Halifax. I offer no apology for supporting Dalhousie and voting against Kings College. We will have other requests from colleges like Kings."

November 15, 1956.

Alderman Dunlop: "This City is in no position to embark on such grants as these. If we give this grant to Kings College then St. Mary's University is entitled to a grant and on that basis the grant would not be \$15,000.00."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Dunlop that the matter of grant to all degree universities within the City of Halifax be considered by the Finance and Executive Committee and a report made to the Council at its next meeting.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

His Worship the Mayor: "I rule that is not an amendment to the motion."

Mr. R.A. Ritchie, Q.C., appeared on behalf of Kings College and said they hoped the City would give them something towards the campaign.

His Worship the Mayor: "Can this be a field where we can start giving our money? This can grow to a very large sum of money and it is with reluctance that I can support it."

Alderman Macdonald: "I will have to vote against this as I have not had enough time to study it."

The motion was put and lost 5 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Abbott
Lane
Fox
Wyman

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AGAINST IT

Alderman O'Brien
Greenwood
Dunlop
Macdonald
Ferguson
O'Malley
Vaughan

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DECEMBER PAY ✓

November 13, 1956.

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 Treasurer be authorized to pay City Officials and employees their full salaries for the month of December on or about the 14th of that month.

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

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

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November 15, 1956.

BOXING DAY ✓

November 15, 1956.

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 Boxing Day, Wednesday, December 26, 1956 be observed as a Civic Holiday.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

VISIT TWIN CITY ✓

This matter was left with His Worship the Mayor to process.

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION SPRING GARDEN ROAD PARKING LOT \$1,000.00 ✓

November 13, 1956.

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

A report from the Committee on Works recommending that an additional appropriation of \$4,000.00 be provided to erect a chain link fence around the Spring Garden Road Parking Lot was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that a sum not exceeding \$1,000.00 in addition to that previously appropriated be provided under the authority of Section 316C of the City Charter, and that the matter of the erection of a chain link fence be deferred.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

EXPROPRIATION LAND - AIRPORT LIGHTS ✓

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: November 15th, 1956.

Subject: Expropriation - Halifax Airport - Easement for lights.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held to-day the attached report,

November 15, 1956.

plan and description from the Commissioner of Works relative to the acquiring of an Easement for lights at the eastern end of the Halifax Airport Runway, for the nominal sum of \$1.00, were considered, and the attached Resolution was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

To: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of the Committee on Works.
From: G.F. West, Commissioner of Works.
Date: November 15th, 1956.
Subject: Expropriation - Halifax Airport- Easement for Lights.

We have been requested by the Department of Transport to acquire an easement two hundred feet (200') in width, for the purpose of lights at the eastern end of the Halifax Airport (Kelly (Long) Lake, Halifax County, N.S.) Runway 06-24. Plan No. RR-5-13587, dated October 1st, 1956, has been prepared, and also a description of the proposed easement for lights, and are attached herewith.

It is therefore, recommended that the easement for lights, containing an area of 3.2 acres, as shown bordered in red on Plan No. RR-5-13587, be expropriated from Miss Jane M. Cole, or whoever the owner may be, and that the nominal sum of \$1.00 be paid into Court.

G.F. West,
Commissioner of Works.

WHEREAS the Commissioner of Works has submitted a report, dated November 15th, 1956, and also a plan and description covering the expropriation of a certain easement for approach lights at the airport now under construction near Kelly (Long) Lake in the County of Halifax:

AND WHEREAS the Committee on Works is of the opinion that the said easement should be acquired for the purpose aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS the owner of the land to be subject to the said easement is not known and cannot be definitely ascertained and it is unlikely that a good title can be given for the said easement;

AND WHEREAS the Committee on Works deems it necessary that the said easement as hereinafter described be expropriated;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED and it is recommended to the City Council that the easement hereinafter described be expropriated;

November 15, 1956.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sum of One Dollar be paid by the City Clerk to the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court as the price or compensation to be paid by the City for the said easement;

The easement hereinbefore referred to is more particularly described as follows:

The right for the City of Halifax, its Successors and Assigns, from time to time and at any and all times, either by night or by day, at the will and at the pleasure of the City of Halifax, its Successors and Assigns, and any of its and their workmen, employees, servants, contractors or agents, to enter upon and have ingress and egress in, upon, to, from, out of and over the land hereinafter described, namely:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the eastern side of the Oldham Road and north of the old Guysborough Road, in the County of Halifax, Province of Nova Scotia, as shown bordered in red on a plan entitled "Expropriation Plan of an Easement Required by the City of Halifax for an Airport at Kelly (Long) Lake", dated October 1st, 1956, signed by G.F. West, Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax, and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax at City Hall as Plan No. RR-5-13587 and being also on file in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia, the said land being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the eastern boundary line of the Oldham Road is intersected by the extended center line of Runway 06-24 as shown on said plan;

thence northwardly along the said eastern boundary line of the Oldham Road for a distance of one hundred and fifteen feet (115') more or less or to a point distant northwestwardly one hundred feet (100') measured at a right angle to the said extended center line of Runway 06-24 as shown on said plan;

thence northwestwardly parallel to and distant northwestwardly one hundred feet (100') from the extended center line of Runway 06-24 for a distance of six hundred and thirty feet (630') more or less or to a point distant northwestwardly one hundred feet (100') measured at a right angle from a point on the said extended center line of Runway 06-24 distant seven hundred feet (700') from the point of beginning as shown on said plan;

thence southeastwardly and at a right angle to the above described course for a distance of two hundred feet (200') as shown on said plan;

thence southwestwardly parallel to and distant one hundred feet (100') from the said extended center line of Runway 06-24 for a distance of seven hundred and sixty feet (760') more or less or to the aforesaid eastern boundary line of the Oldham Road as shown on said plan;

thence northwardly along the aforesaid eastern boundary line of the Oldham Road for a distance of one hundred and fifteen feet (115') more or less or to the place of beginning as shown on said plan; containing in all an area of approximately three point two acres (3.2 acres).

at any and all times by day and by night, and also at any and all times with horses, teams, carts, carriages, motor vehicles and other vehicles loaded or unloaded, and also from time to time and at all times, by night and by day, to carry, convey, roll and transport such articles and things as may be deemed to be requisite or proper and to break up at any and at all times and open the said land to the width thereof, and to throw up

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such excavation from the sides thereof where and as the same may be deemed necessary upon the said land and proper for the installation of poles to carry approach lights and wires for an airport and other appurtenances thereto and for the laying of pipes or ducts and appurtenances thereto for wires and cables for transmitting electric energy ; or for the repairing or replacing the same, and taking up and again laying down, placing, inspecting, cleaning or examining any such pipe or duct, poles, wires, cables and appurtenances thereto, and also to bind or maintain any embankments thereon or to make cuttings through or level such land or remove all or any trees, bushes or shrubs thereon as may be required for the purposes of providing a system of approach lights for an airport upon the said land to as full and free extent as if the said City and its Successors and Assigns were the owners thereof.

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council does hereby adopt the recommendation of the Committee on Works passed at a meeting of the said Committee held on the 15th day of November, A.D., 1956, for the expropriation of a certain easement situate at or near Kelly (Long) Lake in the County of Halifax as more fully described in the Resolution of the Committee on Works and set out on said Plan of Expropriation dated October 1st, 1956, and numbered RR-5-13587, referred to in the said Resolution.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said easement be and the same is hereby expropriated and that the City Clerk do pay to the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court the sum of One Dollar of lawful money of Canada as the price or compensation for the said easement.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the report be approved. Motion passed.

DEFERRED ITEMS

The following items were further deferred:

1. Appointment to Governing Board Halifax Infirmary
2. Legislation 3 Year Term for Mayor.
3. Service Installations in Subdivisions.

CITY MANAGER'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT FOR OCTOBER

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

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

FILED

is Worship, L. A. Kitz and Members of City Council

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

November 13, 1956

Subject: Monthly Administrative Report for October, 1956.

1. ELECTRICIANS DEPARTMENT

334 Wiring Inspectors made, permit income \$1,025.50
2 new street lights - St. Andrews School yard

2. BUILDING PERMITS

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
Dwellings, new	12	\$237,000.00
Garages, new	17	6,240.00
Dwellings, repairs	177	75,485.00
Garages, repairs	10	1,070.00
Commercial, repairs	42	61,678.00
Institutional, repairs	<u>3</u>	<u>645.00</u>
	261	\$382,118.00

3. STREETS AND SEWERS

Square yards of streets stoned and oiled	13,247
" " " " sealcoated	1,400
" " " " graded	29,642
Tons of hot patch used on paved streets	520
" " " " " stoned and oiled streets	960
Cubic yards of material used on streets	600
Number of square yards applied with dust layer	4,800
" " " " of sidewalk repair	330
Lineal feet of curb and gutter repair	108
Number of street signs maintained	78
" " sewers cleared and cleaned	10
" " catchpits repairs	3
" " " constructed	11
" " " catchpits cleaned	40
" " manholes repairs	10
" " " constructed	1
" " junctions installed	30
Miles of streets swept by hand	266
" " " " " mechanical sweepers	1076
Lineal feet of new curb and gutter	177
" " " " sewer	350
Square yards of New Sidewalk	107

4. GARBAGE

2639 tons of garbage and refuse were collected of which 410 tons were burned together with 1519 tons of privately collected materials. Total amount processed 1929 tons with incinerator in operation 207 hours. (Closed for clean out and repairs

October 8 - 17. Hired trucks 34 hours collecting 42 tons.

5. EMERGENCY SHELTERS - NEW LEASES

<u>Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
I. L. Day	1420 Barrington Street	9F Wellington Court
M. Fisher	1420 " "	9 1460 Barrington Street
H. Boutilier	1420 " "	1 1460 " "
Hilda Smith	1420 " "	16 1460 " "
F. Duncan	1420 " "	9 1446 " "

6. PREFAB HOUSING

Houses completely paid	366
Current accounts	<u>446</u>
Original number of houses	812
Mortgages Receivable Sept. 30, 1956	\$1,041,654.10
" " Oct. 31, 1956	<u>1,020,467.02</u>
" Decreased during month	\$ 21,187.08
33 accounts two or more months in arrears	\$ 13,847.43
Total borrowing September 30, 1956	\$ 328,898.67
" " October 31, 1956	<u>301,952.48</u>
Borrowing decrease	\$ 26,946.19

7. CLAIMS

Irving Oil Co.	Stop sign - Barrington Street and Kempt Road	11.60
S. L. Walker	Stop sign - Brunswick and Gerrish Sts.	17.72
W. Shute	Parking Meter - George St.	15.00
Butler Bros.	Server - Rogers Drive	56.66

8. SEWER CAPITAL

<u>Street</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Started</u>	<u>Total feet to date</u>	<u>Completed</u>
Dutch Village Road	12" - 18" Conc	5/18/56	700	95%
Clinton Avenue				
Farmhouse	Pumps installed awaiting final approval			95%
Chain Rock Drive	12" Conc.	8/9/56	675	10/15/56
Dutch Village Road, north of Bayers Rd.	12" Conc.	10/3/56	83	10/16/56

9. SEWER REHABILITATION

Ara Bridge Overflow	48" Conc	7/12/56		85%
Connolly Street	24" Conc.	9/19/56	350	98%
Barrington St. 20 connections		10/20/56		3 completed

10. PAVING

<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>LENGTH</u>	<u>STARTED</u>	<u>COMPLETED</u>	
Almon St.	Oxford	Connaught	350	20 Sept.	5 Oct./56
Howard St.	South	University	525	26 Sept.	2 Oct./56
Henry St.	South	University	525	26 Sept.	3 Oct./56
Windsor St.	Almon	Young	1300	28 Sept.	12 Oct./56
Buckingham St.	Barrington	Argyle	150	2 Oct.	2 Oct./56
Forward	Preston	Oxford	650	15 Oct.	19 Oct./56
Ly St.	Agricola	Fern Lane	150	18 Oct.	22 Oct./56
W. Corner Barrington and No. 1				22 Oct.	30 Oct./56
Black St.	Gottingen	Fuller Terrace	440	24 Oct.	26 Oct./56
Stz St.	Barrington	Brunswick	320	24 Oct.	30 Oct./56
Abbie St.	Macara	Livingston	1500	16 Oct.	70%
North St.	Windsor	Oxford	-	31 Oct.	10%

11. STONING AND OILING

"Work during the month of October.

<u>STREET</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>LENGTH</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>COMPLETED</u>
8) Cornaught Ave.	Regent	Chisholm	1000	25 July	18 Oct. 1956
13) Robie St.	Leeds	Memorial	1400	18 Sept.	6 Oct. 1956
14) Leeds St.	Robie	Rosemeade	250	21 Sept.	4 Oct. 1956
15) Hanover St.	Devonshire	Barrington	500	30 Sept.	11 Oct. 1956
16) Ernst Ave	Ashburn	Stanford	250	30 Sept.	1 Oct. 1956

Stone & Oil Renewals

2) Cabot St.	Robie	Agricola	400	24 Sept.	10 Oct. 1956
3) Fawson St.	Hollis	Water	300	16 Oct.	22 Oct. 1956
4) Barrington St.	Vestry	Glebe	1200	17 Oct.	10%

Seal Coating (Oiled Streets)

5) Smith St.	Barrington Dead End		400	12 Oct.	22 Oct. 1956"
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13. ARMDALE ROTARY

"Mr. J. L. Wickwire,
Chief Engineer.

Armdale, N.S.
October 31, 1956

Re: Progress Armdale Rotary

Dear Sir:

Listed below are the approximate completion percentage on items listed under this contract:

Clearing and Grubbing.....	100%
Excavation (Common & Solid Rock.....	98%
Borrow Placed.....	98%
Foundation Excavation (Common).....	98%
Foundation Excavation (Solid Rock).....	98%
Catch Basins complete.....	95%
Concrete Sewer Pipe.....	98%
Concrete Class "A".....	99%
Reinforcing Steel.....	99%
Trench Excavation & Backfill.....	98%
Removal of Seawall.....	99%
Base Course.....	97%
Removal of Existing Curb & Gutter.....	98%
Removal of Existing Pavement.....	98%
Concrete Sidewalks.....	97%
Curb & Gutter.....	95%
Fine Grading.....	95%
Rock Fill.....	90%
Sedding.....	95%
Paving.....	93%
Masonry Wall.....	50%
Rip Rap Hand Laid.....	85%

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

FROM: Mr. G. F. West, Commissioner of Works

DATE: November 12, 1956

SUBJECT: Sidewalks - Progress Report No. 5--56

Work completed during October

STREET	FROM	TO	LENGTH	SIDE	TOTAL LENGTH	WORK	DATE STARTED	COMPLETED
) Spruce St.	Howe Ave.	Ashburn Ave.	400	N	400	C & G	5 July/56	100%
) Ernst Ave.	Ashburn Ave.	Stanford St.	300	B	600	S,C&G.S	18 July/56	100%

Work in progress during October

) Abbott Drive	Ashburn Avenue	Howe Avenue	525	B	1050	S,C&G,S	19 June/56	95%
) Stanford St.	Abbott Drive	Mumford Road	830	B	1660	S,C&G,S	27 July/56	80%
) Robie St.	Macara St.	Livingston	1500	B	3000	C & G	31 July/56	80%
) Romans Avenue	Bayers Road	Mumford Road	1350	B	2700	S & S	2 Aug./56	80%
) Connolly St.	Edgewood Ave.	465' North	465	E	465	S & S	7 Aug./56	80%
) Edgewood Ave.	Connolly St.	325' East	325	N	325	S & S	7 Aug/56	80%
) Cherry St.	Vernon St.	Robie St..	750	B	1500	S,C&G,S	14 Aug./56	80%
) Claremont St.	Oxford St.	Connolly St.	575	B	1150	S & S	28 Aug./56	98%
) Veith St.	Hanover St.	Richmond St.	550	W	550	S & S	31 Aug./56	98%
) Cor.Barrington & North	S.W.Cor.		120	-	-	S,C & G	4 Sept./56	98%
) Claremont St.	Maxwell St.	Oxford St.	550	W	550	S & S	6 Sept./56	98%
) Windsor St.	Hood St.	Connaught Ave.	900	E	900	S & S	7 Sept./56	98%
) Deal St.	D.V.Road	D.V.Road	775	B	1500	C & G	13 Oct./56	95%
) Fenwick St.	At Freshwater Brook Sewer		250	B	500	S,C & G,S	26 Oct./56	25%
) Normandy Drive	High St.	Bright St.	230	S	230	S & S	30 Oct./56	15%

COMPLETED WORK

) Inglewood Dr.	Existing	Dead End	280	B	560	C & G	13 Sept./56	100%
) South St.	RCAF Gorsebrook	Wellington	560	S	560	S & S	17 Sept./56	100%
) MacLean St.	Existing	Atlantic St.	400	W	400	S,C&G,S	19 Sept./56	100%
) Geo.Dauphinee	Existing	Bayers Road	560	E	560	S,C&G,S	18 Sept./56	100%
) Howe Ave.	Bayers Rd.	Spruce St.	375	E	375	C & G	1 Oct./56	100%
) Parker St.	Windsor St.	Welsford St.	400	W	400	C & G	9 Oct./56	100%
) Welsford St.	Windsor St.	Parker St.	170	S	170	C & G	13 Oct./56	100%

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF OCTOBER 1956

CIVIC YEAR	RESERVES	O/S BALANCE SEPT. 1956	NEW ACCOUNTS & ADJUSTMENTS	OCTOBER 1956 COLLECTIONS	O/S BALANCE OCTOBER 1956
1954	74,309.85	190,375.68	Cr. 68.35	14,104.77	176,202.56
1955	68,123.19	372,854.26	Dr. 7,358.53	15,263.38	364,949.41
1956	83,040.92	1,212,953.69	Cr. 53,662.03	127,458.36	1,031,833.30
		1,776,183.63	Cr. 46,371.85	156,826.51	1,572,985.27

Tax Years Prior to 1954 (covered by reserves) 5,493.98
162,320.49

POLL TAXES

1954	16,403.00			280.47	16,122.53
1955	9,999.82	Dr.	30.00	551.26	9,478.56
1956	21,721.30	Dr.	47.00	10,207.05	11,561.25

Poll Taxes other than listed above 396.57
11,435.35

Total Collections in October 1956 173,755.84
Total Collections in October 1955 162,346.01

Current Taxes Collected Jan. 1st. to October 31, 1956 6,265,637.58

Corresponding Period 1955 6,353,573.33

Tax Arrears Collected Jan. 1st. to October 31, 1956 700,737.44

Corresponding Period 1955 571,476.20

Poll Tax Collections Jan. 1st to October 31, 1956 106,589.05

Corresponding Period 1955 110,324.38

7,072,964.07 7,035,373.91

AMOUNT COLLECTED JAN. 1st to OCTOBER 31st. %

Tax Levy 1956	7,215,820.21	6,265,637.58	86.83
Tax Levy 1955	7,437,406.78	6,353,573.33	85.43
Tax Arrears Jan. 1st 1956	1,293,653.31	700,737.44	54.17
Tax Arrears Jan. 1st 1955	1,119,041.92	571,476.20	51.07
Total Collections to October 31/56		6,966,375.02	96.54
Total Collections to October 31/55		6,925,049.53	93.11

Respectfully submitted,

H R. McDonald,
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

November 15, 1956.

POLL TAX COLLECTIONS

A report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that Poll Tax Collections for the quarter ending September 30, 1956 amounted to \$59,595.59 which was a decrease of \$4,621.78 over the same period last year. Total collections for 9 months this year were \$100,504.41 which was a decrease over the same period last year of \$5,597.29.

FILED

INTEREST RATE ON BORROWINGS

A report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that the City's interest rate on borrowings was increased to $4\frac{3}{4}\%$ as of October 22, 1956.

FILED

TROLLEY COACH STOPS

Reports were submitted from the City Solicitor advising of the following:

1. ROBIE STREET - WEST SIDE
15' North of the North line of Young Street.
changed to
25' South of the South line of Young Street
2. OXFORD STREET - WEST SIDE
30' South of South Line of Quinpool Road
3. ARMDALE TRAFFIC ROTARY - SOUTH SIDE
South Side Line of Armdale Traffic Rotary.

FILED

APPROVALS DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS.

The following approvals were reported:

1. Fairview Lawn Cemetery By-Law.
2. Ordinance #48
3. Rezoning North Side Shirley Street.
4. Rezoning South Side of Pepperell Street.
5. Rezoning Northern Section of the City at northwest corner Vestry & St. Paul Streets.
6. Rezoning South Side Quinpool Road between Robe & Vernon Sts.
7. Rezoning East Side of Windsor Street near Connaught Avenue.
8. Rezoning North Side of Cork Street between Connolly and Oxford Sts.
9. Rezoning land bounded by Cork, Liverpool and Connolly Streets
10. Rezoning northwest corner Oxford and Young Streets.
11. Rezoning Southwest corner Oxford and Young Streets.
12. Rezoning North side of Leppert Street.
13. Ordinance Re: Minimum Housing Standards.
14. Amendments to Ordinance #21.
15. Amendment to Ordinance #38.
16. By-Law Re: Camp Hill Cemetery

FILED

November 15, 1956

ACKNOWLEDGMENT MRS. JAMES WOOD & FAMILY

An acknowledgment was received from the above family expressing appreciation to the City Council for the flowers and sympathy extended to them during their recent bereavement.

FILED.

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

Meeting adjourned. 11:35 P.M.

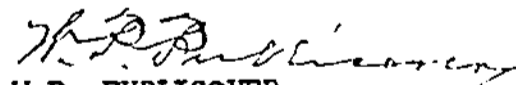
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L.A. Kitz,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.


W.P. PUBLICOVER,
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

City Court Chamber,
Brunswick Street,
Halifax, N.S.,
November 29, 1956,
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, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Fox, O'Malley, Wyman, O'Brien and Greenwood.

Also present were Messrs A.A. DeBard, Jr., W.P. Publicover, R.H. Stoddard, S.C. Boyle, J.L. Leivin, J.F. Thomson, G.F. West and V.W. Mitchell.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Report - Special Committee re: Council-Manager form of Government.
2. Appointment to Halifax Community Chest.
3. Parking - Chesapeake
4. Bayers Road Housing Agreement
5. Rezoning - N/W Corner Gottingen & North Streets (Date for Hearing)
6. Streets for Acceptance.
7. Sewer - Edward Arab Avenue.
8. Application to Rezone - 228 North Street
- 137-139 Windsor St. (To.T.P. Board.)
9. Questions by Aldermen
10. Sackville Street Parking Lot
11. Letter - Local Council of Women re Policewoman.
12. Legislation - Three-year term for Mayor.
13. Service Installations in Subdivisions.
14. Budget Discussions

TWIN CITY VISIT ✓

His Worship the Mayor stated that plans were in process for the coming visit of the Sherbrooke City Council and citizens and that a program would soon be available

REPORT SPECIAL COMMITTEE RE: COUNCIL MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT ✓

Halifax, N.S.,
June 6, 1956.

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

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE EVALUATING THE
COUNCIL MANAGER FORM OF CIVIC GOVERNMENT

The Committee has held meetings almost every week since its appointment.

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It has examined opinions placed before it by Heads of Departments and Representatives of the Civic Unions.

Two public hearings were held at which representations were made by organizations and interested citizens.

A careful study of the statement of all who appeared indicates that there has been a continued improvement in the organization of the work of the City that has become obvious since the inauguration of the Council-Manager form of Civic Government in Halifax.

It was generally conceded that purchasing is improving in efficiency and that there is in the words of one official "a tying in of interrelationship between departments which is better than it was before."

One Department Head stated that he found that in making appointments his work has been greatly facilitated.

The present system so far as Police and Fire is concerned appears to be operating well. In matters of purchasing equipment the Chiefs of both Departments consult the City Manager and the relations between his office and that of the Chief of Police and the Fire Chief appear good.

Your Committee, after careful consideration, does not recommend any drastic change in the Council-Manager form of Civic Government as presently in effect.

One matter which was the subject of much consideration was that of regular meetings of all the Heads of Departments with the Manager. He himself is reluctant to press for such meetings because he feels that there may be in some cases an unnecessary encroachment on the time of Department Heads discussing matters not relevant to their own special fields. Many of those interviewed favored such meetings.

The Manager does hold agenda meetings now, which are in fact attended by the Heads of more than one Department. It is recommended that a trial be made for a period of six months of regular meetings of the Heads of all Departments with the Manager, and at the end of that period the wisdom of making such meetings permanent be reviewed.

Another matter which came before the Committee was the whole question of the Standing Committees of the City Council. There is a strong opinion that subjects for consideration should originate with the Council and not with the Committee, so that all members of the Council will be familiar with the questions that it deems necessary to the appropriate Committee.

It is therefore recommended that the course suggested be followed and that all matters for consideration originate with the Council for reference to the appropriate Committee where necessary and that the Standing Committees of the City Council be reduced to two:-

1. Finance and Executive Committee
2. Committee on Works.

In conclusion, your Committee feels that the Council Manager form of Government has satisfied a great need in the administration of the City. It provides a source of information to aldermen on all matters to be considered by Council. It consolidates this information and co-ordinates departmental reports. It provides an independent and objective point of view on the facts of each issue so that the Council is better equipped to make decisions on matters of Policy.

(Sgd.) L.A. Kitz, Chairman.

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(Sgd.) T.H. Coffin, Vice-Chairman.

(Sgd.) W.S. Lee, Member.

(Sgd.) B.O. Macdonald, Member.

(Sgd.) Gordon S. Cowan, Member.

(Sgd.) Abbie Lane, Member.

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Fox that the report be received and filed.

Alderman O'Brien: "I don't feel that a report of this nature should be disposed of without any discussion as it is too important. There are some things in the report. There is a recommendation there for instance. It seems that the work of the Committee has been lost."

His Worship the Mayor: "What is the recommendation?"

Alderman O'Brien read the recommendation for the information of the Council. "I don't know whether we are eliminating the work of the Safety and Health Committees if this report is adopted."

His Worship the Mayor: "I believe the writers of the report would not mind me saying that it was the intention that the major committees would envelope the work of the minor committees. Should we bring initial business to this Council or should we bring initial business to a committee? My thought has been that you might save some time but I think you will have some items going through a longer circuit. There are a number of items the Council might be able to pass on readily."

Alderman O'Brien: "We might be able to improve the working of Council by having it meet weekly and eliminate the Committees altogether. I think the latter part of the report raises this kind of question. There is a great deal of duplication when we sit in Committee and come to Council and have the matter gone into again. There is another matter which I think this Council should consider and I should like to refer to it in discussing a memo the City Manager placed in the hands of the Council on October 15th this year. (He referred to it and read certain portions of same). I feel that report should be proceeded with when possible. There might be some changes in the making up of the Legal

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Department in order to make the time and staff available for a task of this nature. I think it would help to streamline our affairs which would be more efficient. There are some other matters in this report which I think we should consider. I am afraid that if we just file the report that that is an indication that this Council has not made up its mind whether we favor the Council Manager form of Government or not. I think this Council should go on record as having adopted the report at least on the parts where the majority of the Committee investigated it and favoured the Manager System. One of the advantages of the Manager System is on personnel. I think every Alderman here is aware of the appointments coming to the Fire Department because of the shorter work week. I think the Chief has about 300 applications which he has had on file for 2 or 3 years. Many have seen their Aldermen in an attempt to get them to speak to the Fire Chief."

His Worship the Mayor: "I feel I would have to urge upon you that unless you are quite sure of statements like that, they should not be made. I would not like it to go abroad that the suggestion you make is an accurate one. If it is going to be made I think you should be prepared to support the statement."

Alderman O'Brien: "As a member of the Safety Committee when the time comes to vote on those recommendations I intend to ask the Chief how many of the applicants he has recommended have had recommendations from individual Aldermen and if he says none that will be fine and that will clear the matter."

His Worship the Mayor: "I have had people come to me and I have told them there is no advantage in asking my support because it emanates entirely from the Chief and I have always avoided taking any stands. Once you do you are sorry you ever did."

Alderman O'Brien: "I have discussed the matter with the Chief who says there is no influence on these recommendations. In any of the vacancies and appointments which are under the City Manager nobody has approached me for their support on that matter. There is no political drag involved where the appointments are handled by the City Manager system which is an improvement over what we had before."

Office of the City Clerk,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.,
October 18, 1956.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members of City Council.

As directed by the City Council at a special meeting held on September 27, 1956, I forward you herewith a copy of proposed legislation respecting "Three-year Term for Mayor".

Yours very truly,


W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

DRAFT LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE

"THREE YEAR TERM FOR MAYOR".

(1) Subsection (1) of Section 8 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

8. (1) From and after the regular elections to be held on the third Wednesday in October 1957 the ordinary term of office for the Mayor shall be three years.

(2) Subsection (3) of Section 21 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

(3) Beginning in the year 1957 there shall be a regular election of a Mayor which shall take place on the third Wednesday in October in every third year.

(3) Clause (a) of subsection (1) of Section 38, as that Section is enacted by Section 8 of Chapter 55 of the Acts of 1953, is amended by striking out the words "and in subsequent years" in the fourth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "and in any subsequent year in which a regular election for Mayor or aldermen is to be held".

(4) Subsection (4) of said Section 38 is amended by striking out the words "and in subsequent years" in the third and fourth line thereof and substituting therefor the following words:

"and in any subsequent year in which a regular election for alderman is to be held".

(5) Subsection (5) of said Section 38 is amended by striking out the words "and in subsequent years" in the fourth line thereof and substituting therefor the following words "and in any subsequent year in which a regular election for Mayor is to be held".

(6) Subsection (6) of said Section 38 is amended by striking out the words "and in subsequent years" in the fourth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "and in any subsequent year in which an election for Mayor or alderman is to be held".

(7) Clause (a) of subsection (8) of said Section 38 is amended by striking out the words "and in subsequent years and at least seven days before the date fixed by the Council for the holding of an election to fill a casual vacancy" in the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh lines thereof and substituting therefor the words "and in any subsequent year in which a regular election for Mayor or alderman is to be held and where an election is to be held to fill a casual vacancy at least seven days before the date fixed by the Council for the holding of such election to fill such casual vacancy".

(8) Section 86 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

86. (1) Any alderman retiring from office shall, if then qualified, be capable of immediate re-election.
- (2) No person who has filled the office of Mayor for three successive years shall be elected Mayor until at least two years and eleven months after the termination of his last occupancy.

DRAFT LEGISLATION PROVIDING FOR
THE RECALL OF THE MAYOR

(1) The Mayor may be removed from office by persons entitled to vote at an election for Mayor in the manner hereinafter provided.

(2) Any person entitled to vote at an election for Mayor, who desires the removal of the Mayor, may make and file with the City Clerk an affidavit stating the grounds alleged for such removal. The Clerk shall thereupon deliver to such person copies of Petition Papers in proper form for demanding such removal, printed copies of which he shall keep on file for distribution as hereinbefore provided. If insufficient copies are furnished by the Clerk such person may cause additional copies to be printed at his own expense.

(3) A Petition demanding the removal of the Mayor, hereinafter referred to as a "Recall Petition", shall be filed with the City Clerk within thirty days after the filing of the affidavit hereinbefore referred to and, to be sufficient, shall bear the signatures of persons entitled to vote at an election for Mayor equal in number to, at least, twenty per cent of the total vote cast therein for the candidates for the office of Mayor at the last preceding regular election.

(4) If a Recall Petition is insufficient for any reason the Clerk upon so finding shall execute and file in his office a certificate to that effect stating the reasons for such insufficiency. The Clerk shall forthwith notify in writing the Committee of Petitioners, hereinafter referred to, of the filing of the said certificate and the contents thereof. A Recall Petition if insufficient as originally filed may be supplemented as hereinafter provided.

(5) The Clerk shall have power to certify as to the sufficiency of such Recall Petition.

(6) The signatures to a Recall Petition need not all be appended to one paper but to each separate Petition Paper there shall be attached an affidavit of the person who circulated such Petition Paper as provided by this Section. Each signer of any such Petition Paper shall sign his name in ink or indelible pencil and shall indicate

after his name his place of residence by street and number or other description sufficient to identify the place. The affidavit attached to the Petition Paper shall be sufficient in the following form:

City of Halifax
County of Halifax
Province of Nova Scotia

I..... of.....make oath and say as follows, namely:

That the following named persons, to wit:

(Here shall be legibly written or typewritten the names of the signers of this Petition Paper)

signed the foregoing Petition Paper and each of them signed his or her name thereto in my presence and I believe that each has stated his or her name and address correctly and that each person is entitled to vote at an election for Mayor in the City of Halifax.

Sworn to at Halifax
in the County of Halifax)
and Province of Nova Scotia)
this day of)
19...)

A Commissioner of the Supreme)
Court of Nova Scotia.)

(7) All Recall Petition Papers shall be assembled and filed with the City Clerk as one instrument.

(8) (a) Each Petition Paper shall include as a part thereof a statement giving the names and addresses of five persons entitled to vote at an election for Mayor in the City who, as a Committee of Petitioners, shall be officially regarded as filing the Petition.

(8) (b) Within ten days after the filing with the Clerk of a Petition, the Clerk shall determine its sufficiency or insufficiency and shall attach thereto a certificate showing the result of his examination. If he shall certify that the Petition is insufficient he shall set forth in the certificate the particulars in which it is insufficient and shall forthwith notify the Committee of Petitioners of his findings.

(9) If the Clerk shall find a Recall Petition to be insufficient, the Committee of Petitioners may, at any time within ten days after the making of the certificate of insufficiency by the Clerk, file a supplementary Petition upon additional papers as provided in the case of an original Petition. The Clerk shall within five days after a supplementary Petition is filed make an examination of such supplementary Petition and if his certificate shall show the Petition as supplemented still to be insufficient he shall file it in his office and notify the Committee of Petitioners of his findings and no further action shall be done on such insufficient Petition.

(10) The determination that any Petition is insufficient shall not prejudice the filing of a new petition for the same purpose.

(11) The Clerk shall examine such Recall Petition and any supplementary Petition thereto and if found sufficient he shall submit the same to the Council with his certificate to that effect and shall notify the Mayor whose removal is sought of such action. The Clerk shall also forthwith notify in writing the Committee of the Petitioners, referred to hereinafter, of the contents of such certificate. If the Mayor does not resign within five days after such submission, the Council, at a meeting called by the Clerk within two days after the expiration of the said five days, shall meet and shall thereupon order and fix a day for holding a Recall Election in the City and any such election shall be held not less than 45 or more than 70 days after the Recall Petition shall have been presented to the Council.

(12) Candidates to succeed the Mayor whose removal is sought shall be placed in nomination in the manner provided in the Charter in the case of a vacancy in the office of Mayor, provided that each nomination paper shall specify that the candidate named therein is a candidate to succeed the Mayor whose removal is sought.

(13) The Ballot papers for a Recall Election shall contain the following question:

Shall (name of person) be removed from the office of Mayor by Recall?

For the Recall of (name of person)

Against the Recall of (name of person)

Immediately at the right of each of the above two alternatives there shall be a square in which the elector by making a crossmark (x) may vote for either of such propositions.

Under the foregoing propositions shall appear the words "Candidate or Candidates to succeed (name of person) if recalled", and beneath such words the names of the candidates as provided for elections in the City. A blank space with a square shall be provided at the right of the name of each of such candidates in which the elector by making a crossmark (x) may vote for one of such candidates. The name of the person whose removal is sought shall not appear on the ballot to succeed himself.

(14) Unless a majority of the votes cast on the question of recalling the Mayor shall be for his recall, he shall continue in office for the remainder of his unexpired term but subject to recall as before. If a majority of such votes be for the recall of the Mayor, he shall, regardless of any defect in the Recall Petition, be deemed removed from office forthwith. In the case of the removal of the Mayor from office by recall the candidate to succeed him who shall have received the highest number of votes at such Recall Election shall be deemed elected and upon taking the Oath of Office shall serve for the unexpired term of the Mayor so removed unless sooner removed as provided in this Charter.

(15) At the conclusion of the Recall Election, the Clerk shall call a meeting of the Council and shall, in the presence of the Council, declare:

- (a) The result of the Recall Election, and
- (b) If the result of such election shall be the recall of the Mayor, the candidate who received the highest number of votes at such election to be Mayor of the City for the unexpired term of the Mayor so removed.

(16) If the Mayor, for whose recall an affidavit has been filed with the City Clerk and a Petition for whose Recall is to be filed within thirty days next thereafter or for whose Recall a Petition is submitted to the Council, shall resign prior to the filing of the Petition for his Recall with the Clerk or within five days after the submission of such Petition to the Council, the Council shall proceed to fill the vacancy in the office of Mayor in the manner provided therefor in the Charter. The Mayor shall not be eligible to be elected to fill such vacancy.

(17) No Recall Petition shall be filed against any Mayor within six months after he takes office.

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His Worship the Mayor: "Any proposals you want to make can be made by a notice of motion. I think the way to achieve the things to which you are referring would be by a motion of deferment."

Alderman O'Brien: "I would think that this report should be adopted. I would like to give notice that it be adopted at a future meeting."

Alderman Dunlop: "Three of the members of this Council did not sign the report as I understand it. I think that is correct. That means that 3 of the members of Council were not in agreement. That being the case I don't think the Council is ready to make any change in the system. As I see it, I think the system is working reasonably well. In view of the fact that this committee had many meetings, in effect they say the system is working reasonably well, it is my idea that we leave well enough alone and carry on until somebody has a concrete suggestion and for that reason I think the members of the Committee who labored on it deserve the Council's thanks. At least there is no recommendation to do away with the system and the majority is to continue it. I can see no reason to try to change it. I would like to see it extended to take in the whole City service. As I understand it now the Police and Fire Departments are getting along well. I understand the Manager is getting along with the Chiefs. I don't see any reason for any great change at the present time."

The motion was then put and passed.

APPOINTMENT TO HALIFAX COMMUNITY CHEST ✓

His Worship the Mayor nominated Alderman Dunlop as Council's representative on the Halifax Community Chest replacing Alderman Lane which was agreed to by Council.

PARKING AREA CHEAPSIDE ✓

This matter was deferred.

BAYERS ROAD HOUSING PROJECT ✓

A report was submitted from the City Manager giving a statement on Administration and Expenses respecting the Bayers Road Housing Project and recommending that the City ask the Housing Authority and C.M.H.C. to permit it to raise the valuation for computation of Fire Protection Rates from \$3,500.00 to \$8,050.00 as the Fire Protection Rate was changed from 23¢ to 10¢ through the effect of the valuation.

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His Worship the Mayor: "Did we not want information on the financial angle? We felt it would be helpful."

The matter was deferred until the Finance and Executive Committee meeting at which time a report would be submitted from the City Manager giving the financial information requested and also Mr. Borland be invited to attend.

Alderman Dunlop: "I think we should have the actual assessments as the Assessor would assess them if they were in private hands."

City Assessor: "For the coming year we are not adopting the 15% reduction and our assessments on these homes will be coming in on the roll at \$11,500.00 which I think is a fair valuation."

Alderman Dunlop: "There are other properties in that area that enjoy a special tax rate and I think we should have that too. We should see how much the City is subsidizing them as well."

His Worship the Mayor: "I am not completely aware of all the facts."

City Assessor: "I can give you the information on what will be coming up in 1957."

It was then agreed that the whole matter be deferred and that Mr. Borland requested to be present at the next meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee.

REZONING N/W CORNER GOTTINGEN AND NORTH STREETS (DATE FOR HEARING) ✓

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

From: Town Planning Board and Works.

Date: November 20, 1956.

Subject: Application to Rezone North West Corner of Gottingen St. and North St.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on the above date the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of a request to rezone the north west corner of Gottingen Street and North Street from R3 residential to C2 commercial to permit the construction of a service station, was considered.

The Board approved, and recommended that this be referred to City Council to set a date for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Fox that the report be approved and Council fix Thursday, January 3, 1957 at 8 o'clock P.M. in the City Court Chamber, Halifax, N.S. as the time and place for the hearing in this matter. Motion passed.

STREETS FOR ACCEPTANCE

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: November 20, 1956.

Subject: Streets for Acceptance.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above date the Commissioner of Works recommended that the following streets be accepted by the City:

Rogers Drive
Gorsebrook Avenue
Crowsnest Drive

The Committee approved and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

Alderman DeWolf: "Does not the City own some lots on Crowsnest Drive?"

Mr. Doyle: "Two lots".

Alderman DeWolf: "I think it was land that came from Point Pleasant Park."

His Worship the Mayor: "Will they be serviced lots?"

Mr. West: "Yes. Sewer is not in yet but it will be in next year's budget."

Mr. Gordon E. Smith: "Those lots are the property of the Point Pleasant Park Commission."

Mr. Doyle: "The deeds are to the City of Halifax."

Mr. Smith: "We gave that land to the City."

His Worship the Mayor: "We will have Mr. Doyle look into it and report to the next regular meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee."

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SEWER EDWARD ARAB AVENUE ✓

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: November 20, 1956.
Subject: Sewer - Edward Arab Avenue.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above date the Commissioner of Works reported that a section of the sewer on Edward Arab Avenue had collapsed due to pressure and needed to be repaired. He said the estimated cost would be \$3000.00 which could be charged to Sewer Rehabilitation.

The Committee recommended that the work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

APPLICATIONS TO REZONE #118 NORTH STREET & #137/39 WINDSOR STREET ✓

The above applications for rezoning were referred to the Town Planning Board for a report.

SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION ✓

Alderman Dunlop: "The paper says that the Public Service Commission sold some land on Springvale Avenue but that before the matter can be finished they must have the consent of the Public Utility Board and the bond holders but I failed to see that they have to have the consent of the owners and that is the City. I would like to know how the Commission can sell the land without coming to the people who own all the stock. I am rather concerned about this. If the Commission can sell a block of land I can't see anything to prevent them from selling it all."

His Worship the Mayor: "We are the owners of the shares and there are regularly appointed Directors. I would think that the Directors would have power to make sale. That is a technical answer. Since you raise the item we should have our Solicitor write the Commission and get a proper ruling if it is empowered to sell land. I think it should be done tomorrow by Mr. Doyle or Mr."

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DeBard and brought to the next meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee. If there is any doubt any deed should be held up."

Alderman Dunlop: "Under the Commission's Act to sell land requires a special resolution. We take the place of shareholders and yet there is nothing asked of us. I think the Council should be very clear if the Commission can do it. I am not fully satisfied that that was understood when the deed was turned over to the Public Service Commission.

His Worship the Mayor: "I will ask our staff to take that action."

FAIRVIEW UNDERPASS ✓

The City Manager submitted a report from the Chief Engineer of the Department of Highways outlining what had been done in the matter of the elimination of the Fairview Underpass during the last 3 months as follows:

Halifax, N.S.,
November 26th, 1956.

Mr. A.A. DeBard,
City Manager,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. DeBard:

Re: Fairview Underpass

In reply to your letter of November 21, 1956 addressed to R.W. McColough, recent developments with regard to the Fairview Underpass are as follows. Copies of all letters referred to are attached.

September 14, 1956

The Board of Transport Commissioners wrote J.L. Wickwire that the Board would contribute 60% of the cost of the project, such contribution not to exceed \$300,000.00. The Board also remarked that the Canadian National Railways were to advise the Board as soon as possible the amount the railway would be prepared to contribute to the project.

September 18, 1956.

Wickwire replied to the Board's letter above mentioned suggesting that the Board not issue an actual order for the work until the Canadian National Railways contribution was determined.

October 12, 1956.

J.W.G. Macdougall, Commission Counsel, Canadian National Railways, wrote Mr. C.W. Rump, Secretary, Board of Transport Commissioners, stating that the railway was prepared to contribute \$100,000.00 toward the project under certain conditions. The principal condition was that the present railway bridge span be removed at project expense.

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October 18, 1956.

G.W. Rump, Secretary, Board of Transport Commissioners, wrote Wickwire asking for comment on Mr. J.W.G. Macdougall's letter to the Board of October 12th.

October 23, 1956.

Wickwire replied to Mr. Rump's letter of October 18th saying that no comment could be made until the railway proposals were studied.

October 23, 1956.

J.L. Wickwire wrote J.W.G. Macdougall, Commission Counsel, Canadian National Railways, acknowledging Mr. Macdougall's letter of October 12th to the Board and asking for the Canadian National Railways estimate of cost of removing the present railway bridge and requesting that the Canadian National Railways' engineers discuss the matter with us.

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Mr. R. Hayes, Vice President and General Manager, Canadian National Railways at Moncton, wrote J.W.G. Macdougall setting forth the estimate of cost requested by Wickwire in the letter of October 23rd. above mentioned.

The Canadian National Railways engineers will be in Wickwire's office at ten A.M., Tuesday, December 4, to discuss the estimate of cost of removing the railway bridge span, etc. Could you and your engineers be present at that time We would prefer to withhold comment on this particular matter until after the discussion referred to.

There have been no changes in the plan of this work. Plan of scheme three outlining the proposal is now in your possession.

You will, of course, appreciate that there has not as yet been an opportunity to discuss details of the Fairview Underpass with the new Minister of Highways, The Honourable G.I. Smith.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) J.L. Wickwire,
Chief Engineer.

Alderman Dunlop stated that he objected to the Province acting for the City and said the Council had not authorized anyone to act for the City. There is a new Government in power now and things are not the same as they were before.

His Worship the Mayor: "There is a motion from this Council in June of 1955 that this Council would agree on a certain plan and on certain commitment That resolution was passed. Subsequently the Province and our Engineers had a look at the plan and were not satisfied with it. At that stage the contribution we envisaged from the Board of Transport Commissioners was not as great as the figures they are now offering. \$150,000.00 was offered at that time. Through negotiation the Board have doubled their figure. There is no doubt in my mind

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nor in yours that before a plan can go through and be finalized there are a certain number of agreements and contracts that have to be followed. When it is settled it goes without saying that it all must come back here for full debate and approval of this Council."

LETTER LOCAL COUNCIL OF WOMEN RE: APPOINTMENT POLICEWOMAN ✓

His Worship the Mayor: "I have been speaking with the Chief of Police on this matter. He considers the appointment a most important and valuable one and he is considering the applications presently before him and he has assured me that no time will be lost by him when he is of the opinion that he can bring forward a name to the appropriate committee."

Alderman Lane: "No provision was made for salary of Mrs. Rafuse in the interim."

His Worship the Mayor: "You made a notice of motion at our last meeting which will come up in December."

EMPLOYEE UNABLE TO ENDORSE CHEQUE ✓

Alderman DeWolf: "In the case of an employee, a man who is sick and unable to receive his salary or endorse his cheque, would it be possible for the wife to get that cheque or the use of the money. I know of a case of that now. Legally it can't be done but in some way it should be done."

The matter was left to the administrative staff to process.

LEGISLATION THREE YEAR TERM FOR MAYOR ✓

Proposed legislation was submitted by the City Solicitor covering the above matter and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes. Copies were furnished to members of Council.

His Worship the Mayor: "This certainly has had my backing. I think it is a move long overdue. It is being adopted by cities across Canada. There is a recall for the Mayor. It is one that the Aldermen enjoy as a 3 year term."

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the legislation be approved and submitted to the next session of the Legislature.

Alderman DeWolf: "I have a hope that when it goes to the House again it will not be defeated. It is a great physical hardship for anyone to run a Mayoralty campaign. For three years it is too hard. I would hate to see year after year an election run."

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Alderman Dunlop: "I don't think this Council is interested in any recall provision. I think it is foreign to Governments. With all those provisions a man may have to run a dozen elections. I think there is urgency about the Mayor's term. We should look into the whole subject. There should be consideration given to the qualifications of voters; an election every 3 years for Mayor and Aldermen and a registration of voters the same as the Province. Everybody would be running at the same time."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the provision covering the recall of the Mayor be deleted from the legislation.

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Abbott
Dunlop
Macdonald
O'Malley

AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Lane
Fox
Wyman
O'Brien
Greenwood

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The motion was put and passed 9 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott
Lane
Macdonald
Fox
O'Malley
Wyman
O'Brien
Greenwood
DeWolf

AGAINST IT

Alderman Dunlop

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Alderman Dunlop expressed himself as against the 3 year term for Mayor with the recall provision but not the 3 year term itself.

Alderman O'Brien: "I would like to add my voice in support of the points put forward by Alderman Dunlop in having one election every 3 years. I think we should take some action on it."

His Worship the Mayor suggested that Alderman O'Brien give a Notice of Motion so the matter could be discussed in Council.

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SERVICE INSTALLATIONS IN SUBDIVISIONS

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: September 20, 1956.
Subject: Subdivision and Services.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held September 18, 1956 considered the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer re service installations in subdivisions.

On motion by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Abbott, the Committee decided to forward the report to City Council without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per... Allan R. Barry,
for Clerk of Works.

His Worship the Mayor: "I feel subdivisions should not go forward for approval until services are installed. That is the practice in varying degrees in other municipalities."

Alderman O'Brien: "I think this would be an important step in the right direction. I feel it is in keeping with good planning in any municipality to have at least some of these services installed before the subdivisions are approved. It would avoid many vexing problems we have had in the past if this were done. I think there is a time coming when municipalities will have to face up to some of the issues that are involved in a growing Metropolitan area and it would be worthwhile to get this into our City Regulations before we get involved at a later date on a wider basis. I feel there is a possibility that either our municipal administration of the Metropolitan area will have to be one or it will have to be a federation and if that time comes this will be extremely important. This should go back to the Manager or the Town Planning Engineer or both for a specific proposal with more background material so we can get on with it and not have just a general proposition with a lot of details. Further consideration should be given somewhere."

Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Lane that further consideration be given and a more specific proposal brought back to Council within 3 months.

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Alderman DeWolf: "I would like to see the Town Planning Engineer submit what possible subdivisions there are in the City. I don't believe there are over 2 left one of which the City owns itself. It is possible you are tying the hands of one subdivider. There maybe 3 or 4, I don't know. This should have been done 15 years ago. I don't see any particular value today. We have had a case where the City sold land and a man has to spend some fantastic amount of money because a river runs through there. There is so little land left I really think we are wasting time as it is too late. I think the Town Planning Engineer should give information on potential subdivisions."

The motion was then put and passed.

1957 BUDGET DISCUSSIONS ✓

His Worship the Mayor suggested that Budget discussions for 1957 be held in Committee of the Whole.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the 1957 Budget be discussed in Committee of the Whole. Motion passed.

SACKVILLE STREET PARKING LOT ✓

Mr. Donald A. Mahon, representing the Spring Garden Road Merchants Association, appeared and addressed Council as follows: "I would like to suggest a parking area on the North Side of Sackville Street between the Garrison Grounds and Brunswick Street as an off-street parking lot. This would relieve congestion downtown and on Spring Garden Road. This would be a permanent parking lot all day. It has been estimated 200 cars would be accommodated. That could be administered by an attendant or metered. Either organization is prepared to run it jointly or separately. It is so situated that it would service both areas. This area has no revenue for the City at the present time and as a parking lot there would be some return to the City."

Alderman DeWolf: "Is it to be by the day, month, week or hour?"

Mr. Mahon: "All day parking; say 50¢ for the whole day."

Alderman DeWolf: "I would like to know if any estimate has been made to provide this parking space?"

Mr. West: "I would not take a guess on that. There are a number of factors involved."

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Alderman Macdonald: "It might be practical and it might not be. I have always been against the parking where it is at the present time. I think it is very unsightly. If the costs are not too great to excavate and it is feasible, it might have some merit. I think it is an engineering problem. It is a matter the Commissioner of Works and City Manager should report on. I think it should conform to the terracing and landscaping of the Citadel Hill. I would not like to see anything to mar the beauty of the Hill when it is finished."

Alderman Wyman: "Are we not awaiting a report in connection with this very matter? The question of possible alternatives to the use at the corner of Sackville Street and Bell Road. What is before us at the moment is a part of what we are going to report on at the time. I would suggest that we wait until we see what our officials have to report on it. A parking lot along that area in the light of the location of the Citadel Fence from the point of view of appearance of the place and some idea of the cost are things we should have. Until we have that information it is very difficult to discuss it at all. I do know that the Downtown and Spring Garden Road Merchants' Associations are interested in operating it if we get an operation set up."

Alderman O'Brien: "I would like to suggest that when the report comes, I would like to see proposals in it which would allow the cost to be amortized in no more than 10 years. There may be something in the Stephenson Report about development near the Harbour. I would not feel that we should put something in that will take 25 years to pay for from the revenue we get from it if we have to do something with the land in 10 years."

His Worship the Mayor: "Let us guard against considering the question of how before we decide the question whether. I find myself completely opposed to making this land available for parking. We look at the Citadel Hill where the Dominion Government is spending \$1,000,000.00 for its beautification. The Government gave that to us with the view of widening Sackville Street and boulevarding it which would be in keeping with the fine job on the Hill. This is not shoppers parking. We have allowed ourselves to have parking on Grafton Street, Barrington Street and there is one for Gottingen Street. They are expensive. They pay their way but they don't pay taxes. They are for parkers. If we

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provide space for off-street parkers, you can't stop at that. You could clear a half dozen lots of land for that. You keep withdrawing large blocks of potential tax paying land from the coffers of the City of Halifax. We have not tackled the Brunswick Street side where \$45,000.00 was struck out of the estimates. We should not get ourselves involved in providing space for general parkers. The amount it will drain off from other spaces will be a drop in the bucket. It will be breaking faith with the Dominion Government. I look with a great deal of disfavour on embarking on this."

Alderman Lane referring to the Sackville Street lot stated that 50% of the parkers are office workers and it is a great convenience to them. Those in the United Service Building are the ones who are objecting to the closing of the lot. There is unlimited parking in other areas. A successful delaying action has been carried on by the City Manager and Commissioner of Works. There is a motion on the books and I hope they will carry out their orders."

Mr. West: "It is a matter for the Chief of Police and Inspector O'Brien. I think it is a matter of traffic rather than engineering."

City Manager: "We will have a report for next Thursday."

Alderman Wyman: "The thinking behind the motion was that the Committee and Officials would make a study of the traffic and all the related angles so that when the time expired Council could decide what to do or close the matter. I was appalled to find that at the last meeting we had not done any studying. I did feel that the extra month would not get into too much winter weather and that it would give us a month's reprieve to have this study and take some action on it. If we are going to put a parking lot there are we going to put a retaining wall there and if so what will it cost? Can it be paved and made into a level lot so it will not be unsightly by the fence erected by the Dominion Government?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I think this matter should go directly to Council without passing through Works. I would suggest that your report come to the next regular meeting of Council on December 19, 1956."

City Manager: "We will circulate the matter on the 6th."

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Alderman Dunlop: *I am in favor of the proposal. I see nothing wrong with making that into a parking place. We don't have to buy the land. I am not subscribing to the view of 50¢ a day for parking. If people want to park it should cost them something. It generally costs me \$1.05. 5¢ for the meter and \$1.00 fine. I pay my fine. The space at the Court House on Spring Garden Road is used by people who are not in the legal profession at all. I see nothing wrong with a parking lot if it is properly run. I think a parking lot can be made along there. I think we should grade it, pave it and put up a quick growing hedge. A parking lot there will take care of a good many cars. I would come around Brunswick Street and come past the clock. That lot is a disgrace as it is a store-place for broken down vehicles for garages. There were cars there that stayed the whole year. Some cars belonged to people who do not live in the City. I think we could make a parking lot from Bell Road around. The City run it and charge \$1.00 per day. If we had 300 cars we would pay for it in a few years. It would take a lot of cars off the main traffic streets. If you have business in town you can't get a meter after 2 P.M. in the afternoon. I see nothing wrong with the proposal. I would like to see it enlarged to take in Brunswick Street. It might tide us over for some years when money will be available again at 3%."

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN DUNLOP Re: ELECTIONS COMMITTEE ✓

Alderman Dunlop gave Notice that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he will move that the matter of the franchise of electors and the terms of office of Aldermen be considered by the Committee on Elections.

Moved by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 9:45 P.M.

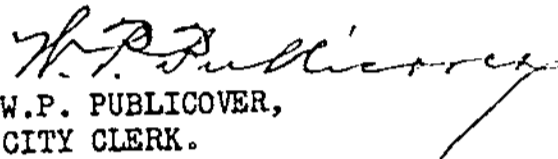
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L.A. Kitz,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.


W.P. PUBLICOVER,
CITY CLERK.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1956

A G E N D A

Prayer.

Minutes (November 15, 1956.)

1. Motion by Alderman Fox Re: Discount on Taxes.
2. " " " Fox Re: Additional Police Constables.
3. " " " Fox Re: Grant Dr. McFarbridge.
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5. " " " O'Brien Re: Grant Inspector Lloyd.
6. Constables Pay.
7. National Harbour Board Fare Alarms Boxes.
8. Clemmshaw Payment.
9. City Field Union proposed Wage Agreement.
10. Accounts over \$500.00
11. Appointments:
 - (a) Board of School Commissioners.
 - (b) Regional Library Board.
 - (c) Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission.
 - (d) Vocational Education Board.
 - (e) Recreation & Playgrounds Commission.
12. Motion Alderman Dunlop Re: Franchise of Electors and term of office of Alder.
13. Motion Alderman O'Brien Re: Council-Manager form of Government.
14. Tenders:
 - (a) Sand and Gravel.
 - (b) Traffic Lights Connaught Avenue and Quinpool Road
15. Rezoning N/E Corner Oxford and Young Streets. (not recommended)
16. Resubdivision Hood Street and Kempt Road.
17. Barrington Street Widening.
18. Michigan Motor (Riley Engineering Sales Ltd)
19. Street Lighting.
20. Paving Area C.B.C. Building
21. Progress Payment Armada Rotary.
22. Emergency Shelter Borrowing
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24. Boiler Insurance
25. Questions by Aldermen.
26. Death of Ex-Mayor Kenny.
27. Bayers Road Housing Project:
 - (a) Value for Assessment.
 - (b) Proposed Budget for 1957.
28. Additional Appropriations.
29. Request Junior Board of Trade to use Victoria Park for Carol Singing during the week of December 17.
30. Rates Halifax City Home.
31. Agreement Canadian Liquid Air Co. Ltd.
32. Sale of Tax Certificates.
33. Borrowings:
 - (a) Current Account \$1,000,000.00
 - (b) Schools:
 - (1) Addition Alexander M. Kay - \$174,459.40
 - (2) " St. Andrew's - \$174,401.00
34. Sale of Land Crowneast Drive
35. Hospital Accounts Settlement.
36. Spring Garden Road Parking Lot
37. Taxes on unfinished buildings otherwise tax exempt when completed
38. Taxes Navy League of Canada
39. Taxes Maritime Conservatory of Music.
40. Dress of Police Officers on Traffic Duty.

41. Rental Control.
42. Visit Twin City.
43. Application to Rezone Ford Property Connaught Avenue (To T.P. Board)

DEFERRED ITEM

Retirement A.J. Yeadon.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Manager's Administrative Report.
Tax Collections
Approvals Minister of Municipal Affairs.
Assessment Appeals
Change in Trolley Coach Stop.

EVENING SESSION

City Court Chamber,
Brunswick Street,
Halifax, N.S.,
December 13, 1956,
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, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, O'Malley, Wyman, Vaughan and O'Brien.

Also present were Messrs. A.A. DeBard, Jr., W.F. Publicover, R.H. Stoddard C.P. Eathune, Q.C., T.L. Letch, E.P. Flynn, G.F. West, V.W. Mitchell, J.F. Thomson, W.A.G. Spook and Dr. A.R. Morton.

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Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Lane that the minutes of the above date be approved. Motion passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN FOX Re: DISCOUNT ON TAXES

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature to provide that a discount be allowed on taxes in the same manner as prior to the year 1956.

Alderman O'Malley: "I think it brings in our collections that much quicker. Today with the increased bank rates I think it is to our advantage to give the discount as given in the past."

City Manager: "When we were giving the discount we had \$134,000.00 in the budget. It cost us \$133,000.00 the last time. You are really giving nothing to anyone. All you are doing is raising the rate and giving part of it back to those who pay the taxes within the given time. The smaller ones would not have the money readily available. We have not found that with the abandoning of the discount that there has been any lessening of the collection of taxes. Actually I think they were a fraction of a percent better. It is always desirable to keep the rates as low as possible. A lot of people from outside always look at your tax rate. If it is \$9.95 as it used to be it

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could have been 13 points lower if there were no discount. You are giving to people something you have taken away from them on a high rate. I think it is very unwise to have that discount. If you have a tax bill payable at face without discount everyone knows what has to be paid. When we had discount the bills had to be taken to the counter to have the discount taken off. There were three and four hundred refunds to people because of the fact they had not taken the discount. It makes a lot of book work. It is a lot quicker to do it without the discount."

Alderman Dunlop: "I think doing away with the discount has met with general acceptance in the City. The Board of Trade made no complaint. I saw the President and he said the Council would be in favor of having no discount. Some smaller people think we are taking something away from them. If we give them one we add it on the other end. I know that very few people calculate the discount correctly. I think we should leave well enough alone and continue as we are."

Alderman O'Malley: "I don't think the Manager made a very good case in so far as those who are not in a position to take a discount but they are contributing to those who can get it. If you budget for \$134,000.00 and all you gave out was \$133,000.00 surely the other people weren't called upon to make a contribution. If you want to make a case of a person who cannot pay as easy as others, we should point out that the amount in the budget was allowed to remain there. Let us get down to it and know where we are."

Alderman Abbott: "I understood Alderman O'Malley to say it is desirable now because of the high bank interest rate. Who is getting the benefit, the taxpayer or the bank?"

City Manager: "The amount of money we borrow is about the same. The bank reaps nothing and the tax payers as a group are paying the same amount."

His Worship the Mayor: "No sir. If we went back to the other system with the increased system, whose toes would get pinched? I think the answer is the City. We would need more money until we get our taxes in and we would have to pay a higher rate of interest on the money we have to borrow."

Alderman Ferguson: "I wonder if the Manager could give us an idea what the City pays for interest until the taxes come in?"

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City Manager: "I can't answer that. We have an amount in there for interest but it covers borrowings for current account and capital borrowing."

Alderman Ferguson: "The business firms would still send in their bills and not hold them until the interest starts. I know firms that sent in post-dated cheques."

His Worship the Mayor: "You have to be able to compare your tax receipt at the end of May, June and July."

City Manager: "All you have to do is what most cities do. You make your interest due as of June 1st and that money will come in in May. People will not pay interest. There is probably a lag between the end of May and July 1st."

Alderman Fox: "There are plenty of tax payers who are in a low salary bracket and they have mortgages on their homes and there is a deduction made each month for taxes and they are always paid on time with the reductions."

The motion was put and lost 5 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Abbott
Fox
Ferguson
O'Malley

AGAINST IT

Alderman Wyman
Vaughan
O'Brien
Dunlop
Lane
Macdonald

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MOTION ALDERMAN FOX Re: ADDITIONAL POLICE CONSTABLES

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that provision be made for the appointment of 24 additional Constables to the Police Department.

Alderman Fox: "My reason for the motion is that I feel the northwest end of the City is not getting proper police protection by patrolmen on the beat and I feel that anything less than 24 men on 3 shifts and allowing sickness and day off cuts it down to a small amount."

Alderman Dunlop: "I think we must recognize the man we must look to for our advice is the present Chief of Police and it seems to me that it is a matter that should come to the Safety Committee and then a recommendation from the Committee to the Council. I think it is not only the number of men on the beat but it is also a matter of the money to pay for them. In the County of

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Halifax which is getting up pretty well to the same population of the City they don't employ any Policemen. Here we have to pay the whole shot."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be referred to the Safety Committee for consideration.

His Worship the Mayor: "I should support Alderman Fox to this extent. I realize his knowledge on the matter. He has every right to be heard on this matter with his background knowledge."

The amendment was put and passed.

RETIREMENT ALLOWANCES MESSRS. A. J. YEADON, DR. McFATRIDGE, E. B. LLOY AND MRS. LILLIAN RAUSE

Alderman Vaughan: "In October 1955 a special committee of the City Council was created to investigate and make a report to the City Council with respect to the adoption of a uniform method of payment of supplementary grants to civic employees who were retiring from the City service. The Committee consisted of Aldermen Lane, O'Malley with Alderman Vaughan as Chairman. The recommendations of the Special Committee were passed by the Nova Scotia Legislature being Section 46 of Chapter 53 of the Acts of 1956.

Since the passing of the legislation however there are indications that the formula for the paying of supplementary grants contained therein are not broad enough in scope to provide for the payment of adequate retirement allowances to retired City personnel.

The application of the formula based on the average salary earned since 1945 has resulted in figures too low to be considered adequate. The effect of this legislation is that persons retiring in 1956 have their retirement allowances based on the average salary for the last eleven years. In 1957 this will be the average of the last twelve years; in 1958 the average salary of the last thirteen years. These figures will produce low retiring allowances.

I am informed that very shortly it is proposed to amend our present superannuation plan to provide for retirement allowances based on the average salary earned in the last five years prior to retirement. In all probability this will come about in the year 1958.

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In the last few years some civic employees by virtue of the fact that they were contributors to pension plans now depleted, have been retired at 60% of the average of these last three years' earnings.

I now propose in view of these facts, to move that for civic employees who retire in 1956 that the average salary for the last three years prior to retirement be used as the basis for the computation of retiring allowances; that for those who retire in 1957 that the average salary of the last four years prior to retirement be used as the basis for computation of retiring allowances and for those retiring in 1958 that the average salary of the last five years prior to retirement be used as the basis for computation of retiring allowances. For each year after 1958 the foregoing formula shall be applied by adding one year to average until such time as the superannuation plan of the City be amended to provide a final earnings basis for retiring allowances.

The foregoing is not intended to alter in any other way the provisions of Section 46 of Chapter 53 of the Acts of 1956.

I also propose two other provisions assuming that the foregoing is adopted by the Council. First, that no person shall receive by way of supplementary grant an amount that together with his benefits from the superannuation plan would exceed 60% of the average earnings for the last three years prior to retirement and, second, that a minimum retiring allowance for all persons who have been in the employ of the City for at least fifteen years and by the application of the foregoing formula fails to produce an amount of twelve hundred dollars per annum, that the Council be empowered to make such a supplementary grant as will produce a retirement allowance of twelve hundred dollars.

I have gone into the matter on my own and I have come up with a formula which would give the desired result which we are trying to achieve tonight. Applying the formula to those persons we are dealing with tonight they would receive:

Mr. Yeadon	\$2,220.50 against	\$1,211.00
Mr. Lloy	2,253.01	* 1,537.00
Mrs. Rafuse	1,016.00 but a minimum of	\$1,200.00
Dr. McFatriidge	1,730.00 against	1,640.17

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I feel we should try if at all possible to keep the matter of supplementary grants to these retired persons on a formula basis.

The resolution was moved by Alderman Vaughan and seconded by Alderman O'Brien.

His Worship the Mayor: "In my opinion such a plan should be studied first by the Retirement Committee and have Mercer and Company pass on it to see what dollars and cents effect it would have or would there be no change in the contribution by the employees?"

Alderman Vaughan: "We have before us a report from the Mercer Company and on Monday at the meeting of the Advisory Committee the City Manager said an increase of 2% would provide sufficient funds based on the last 11 years of service of employees."

His Worship the Mayor: "I took away from the meeting it was the wish of the employees that the matter be put on a firm basis and not to the whims of changing Councils. I suggested that probably the Council would be willing to match wider benefits. I think this has gone hard on certain of these employees. It is a bit hard on Mrs. Rafuse. I would surmise that the Chief would not appoint a relatively young person as a Police Woman hence she would not have too much time to add on a large pension."

Alderman Dunlop: "I think we are indebted to Alderman Vaughan for his report. Nothing has bothered me more since I have been in Council than grants. The City Employees should know what they are entitled to. As far as the City is concerned I think the City has gone far beyond any pension scheme that I know of. In the Federal and Provincial Governments you get what you are entitled to and you don't get anything else. Their schemes do not begin to compare with ours. I hope this goes to a committee at least so it will be dealt with on the same basis so that we will get something in the future that will all be on the same basis. I would suggest that the matter of widows pensions be included as well. I would say to the employees? if you are not prepared, we will cut them out'. We want pensions to be of right and not of grace. I hope this will be considered. I would like to see us come back to the group life insurance we dropped a few years ago. It is for the benefit of the employees.

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We are prepared to pay a share of it. I hope the members of these organizations will take the lead in these matters and present some reasonable scheme that we will be happy to go along with."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think we are thinking pretty well along the same lines. I urged the representatives to say what they wanted and asked them to draft the questions that should be asked of Mercer and for them to project what the results would be. I think it is a better approach for the request to come from the employees and that they know what the cost would be. The Manager tells me that in 1951 we budgetted \$90,000.00 and for 1957 it is \$307,000.00 for pensions."

Alderman Macdonald: "I am sure Alderman Vaughan must have spent a lot of time formulating this and I certainly commend him for it but I can't seem to be able to accept it unless we have more information from the Committee and to know the overall cost to the City. I am in sympathy with the people under discussion tonight. There must be some discrepancies along the line. I would like to see this processed through a Committee and the City Manager come back to us with the overall picture as to what it will cost the City. I would suggest the Retirement Committee study it."

Alderman Wyman stated that a committee had been set up last year to study pension legislation and he suggested the same committee be re-appointed.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the same Committee as previously appointed be re-appointed to study the report.

Amendment passed.

The Committee re-appointed consisted of Alderman Vaughan Chairman; Aldermen Lane and O'Malley.

CONSTABLES' SALARY ✓

December 4, 1956.

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

A request from the City Police Constables for an adjustment in their salaries was considered by the Safety Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the matter be deferred for consideration along with the estimates for the year 1957.

Respectfully submitted,
W. J. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

December 13, 1956.

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

NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD FIRE ALARM BOXES ✓

December 10, 1956.

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 City Manager respecting "National Harbours Board - Fire Alarm Boxes" be filed and no further action taken to collect the annual charges.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

To: His Worship, L.A. Kitz and Members of City Council.
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,
Date: November 16, 1956.
Subject: National Harbours Board - Fire Alarm Boxes.

We have been negotiating with the National Harbours Board concerning the \$50.00 per box charge for fire alarm boxes. They have nine boxes which would amount to \$450.00 per year.

When the Board members were last in Halifax the matter was discussed resulting in the decision indicated in the letter reproduced below.

* NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD
HALIFAX HARBOUR

Halifax, N.S., Nov. 5th, 1956

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

Dear Sir:-

We wish to advise that the matter of payments for the maintenance fee on fire alarm boxes on National Harbours Board property, was discussed during the recent meeting of the Board members at Halifax. They directed me to advise you that the situation was considered the same as at other harbours where payments of this nature were included in the annual grant. Any amount above the grant would be considered by the Auditor General as an unauthorized payment. Under the circumstances we must therefor consider as cancelled the accounts which you have rendered for 1955 and 1956.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) J.R. Mitchell,
Port Manager.

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

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

CLEMINSHAW PAYMENT

Deferred.

CITY FIELD UNION PROPOSED WAGE AGREEMENT ✓

December 10, 1956.

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 report from the City Manager respecting "City Field Union - Proposed Wage Agreement".

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

To: His Worship, L.A. Kitz, and
Members of City Council.

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

Date: November 23, 1956.

Subject: City Field Union - Proposed Wage Agreement.

As provided by Section 119A of the City Charter I am empowered to bargain with employee Unions.

Attached is a memorandum which was presented to the Union and which embodies terms suggested at a conference held at direction of City Council.

This conference had only to do with wages and in brief the suggested changes provide:-

1. Griffenhagen scale for 1956, retroactive to January 1, 1956 with special treatment for garbage helpers.
2. A 4% increase (to the nearest cent) for the year 1957.

The Union has voted in favour of these terms. Approval of City Council is required before the contract can be drawn and signed.

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

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

To: His Worship, L.A. Kitz, and
Members of City Council.

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

December 13, 1956.

Date: December 12, 1956.
 Subject: Accounts over \$500.00

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

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Finance (Stores)	Coastal Asphalt Products Limited	Parts for Salt Spreaders	\$ 1,040.90 .
Fire	Safety Supply Company	Coats & Helmets	929.00
Works	R.S. Allen Ltd.	Shovel rental	560.00
	Applied Insulations Limited	Insulation water system City Hall	1,489.10
	Fairbanks-Morse Company Limited	Equipment for Clinton Ave. Sewage Pumping Plant	5,484.05
	Canadian General Electric Co.Ltd.	Globes	560.50
	Coleman Machinery Co.,Ltd.	V-Belts, Chaines, Sprockets, Blade Tips Clutch & Burners	1,064.81
	Metcalf & Eddy	Incinerator design	16,118.00
	Municipal Spraying & Contracting	Crushed Stone	12,243.45
	Northern Electric Company Limited	Light Fixtures	1,190.46.
	Public Service Commission	Relocating hydrant branch #537 Young St. east of Robie St.	559.36
	Wm.Stairs Son & Morrow Ltd.	Trane Utility Fan for ventilation of Council Chamber	688.05
	Walker & Hall, Ltd.	Curb & Gutter Connaught	1,171.80
	West End Supplies Limited	Cedar Doors, jambs & butts	608.01
	Floyd W. Wheaton	Drilling Test Holes- Incinerator Site	1,687.50
	F.L. Worth	Labour & Material for ductwork installation Council Chamber	950.00
T.B.Hosp.	Cogswell's Ltd.	X-Ray film & developer	500.80
	General Electric X-Ray Corp.Ltd.	X-Ray film	532.60

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Infectious Diseases Hosp.	The Robt. Simpson Eastern Limited	Tile & Cement	533.35
City Home	The Canadian Laundry Machinery Co.	Laundry Tumbler	808.00
	Murphy's Limited	Dungarees, Overalls & Workshirts	649.91
Finance	Municipality of the Co. of Halifax	Join Estimates for 1956	43,684.56
			<u>\$93,074.21</u>

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

Alderman Macdonald asked who were supplied with overalls and dungarees and was advised by the City Manager that under the City Field Agreement the City is required to supply same.

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

APPOINTMENTS BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS ✓

Alderman Abbott nominated Alderman Lane.

Alderman Macdonald nominated Alderman Dunlop.

There being no further nominations His Worship the Mayor declared Aldermen Lane and Dunlop duly appointed to the Board of School Commissioner for a term of 3 years each expiring December 31, 1959.

APPOINTMENTS TO HALIFAX REGIONAL LIBRARY BOARD ✓

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following to the Board:

His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Fox and Abbott, Mr. Fred Bissett, Q.C., Mrs. S.L. Gibson, Mrs. D. Forster and Mrs. A.L. Macdonald.

Alderman Dunlop nominated Mr. Lloyd Caldwell.

The name of the nominees were submitted to Council individually and the following were duly appointed:

His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Fox and Abbott, Mr. Fred W. Bissett, Q.C. Mrs. D. Forster, Mrs. A.L. Macdonald and Mr. Lloyd Caldwell.

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APPOINTMENTS TO HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION ✓

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following: His Worship the Mayor and Alderman Wyman.

These nominations were agreed to and the appointments confirmed by Council.

APPOINTMENT TO VOCATIONAL EDUCATION BOARD

Deferred to the next meeting of City Council.

APPOINTMENT RECREATION AND PLAYGROUNDS COMMISSION ✓

His Worship the Mayor advised that the Board of School Commissioners had suggested the name of Alderman DeWolf as their representative on the Commission to replace Alderman Ahern.

Alderman DeWolf was then declared duly appointed to the Commission until April 30, 1957 to complete the unexpired term of Alderman Ahern.

MOTION ALDERMAN DUNLOP Re: FRANCHISE OF ELECTORS AND TERM OF OFFICE OF ALDERMEN ✓

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter of the franchise of electors and the term of office of Alderman be considered by the Committee on Elections.

Alderman Dunlop suggested an election every third year for Mayor and Aldermen which he felt might be the means of a better vote. He said the Councillors in the County are elected for terms of 3 years.

The motion was then put and passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN O'BRIEN Re: COUNCIL-MANAGER FORM OF GOVERNMENT ✓

Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that
WHEREAS the City of Halifax has now had 4 years and 9 months experience with the Council-Manager form of Civic Government, and,
WHEREAS a Special Committee appointed by Council has evaluated this experience up to June 6, 1956,
THEREFORE be it resolved that Council concurs in the views of the committee which have been expressed in the following terms:

- (a) there has been a continued improvement in the organization of the work of the City that has become obvious since the inauguration of the Council-Manager form of Civic Government in Halifax.

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- (b) purchasing is improving in efficiency.
- (c) your Committee feels that the Council-Manager form of Government has satisfied a great need in the administration of the City. It provides a source of information to aldermen on all matters to be considered by Council. It consolidates this information and coordinates departmental reports. It provides an independent and objective point of view on the facts of each issue so that the Council is better equipped to make decisions on matters of Policy.

Alderman O'Brien: "I felt more positive action should be taken and I have drafted the resolution in form which I hope will be acceptable to Council. It is in the hands of each of the Aldermen and it states what I have in mind. I feel having tried the system and having had a committee to evaluate it we should have some opinion on it and it should go into the records as the view of this Council having had a certain amount of experience. Clauses "A", "B" and "C" are direct quotations from the report of the Committee. I feel that the meat of the report of the evaluation of the Council-Manager form of Government is in the 3 clauses and I hope the Council would see fit to pass this motion and put its stamp on the Council-Manager form of Government."

His Worship the Mayor: "When you filed the report you must assume that you had knowledge of its contents and place it in the records without further comment. Your motion might be considered going one step forward to give a categorical affirmation of the contents by spelling them out. I think I will recognize that distinction and it is so before the Council."

Alderman O'Malley: "I am not too sure that I am fully prepared to debate it tonight but I will take Council's mind back to the appointment of the Committee. The appointment of a Committee did come as a result of a request from the Board of Trade. We had 5 members of this Council on that Committee plus 3 citizens with yourself. The report that came before Council was the majority opinion of that Committee. I did point out that while there was no minority report brought in there was an intention of the minority to bring it in. Those that comprised the minority group were the majority of the Aldermen appointed to the Committee. I think that is rather significant. With respect

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to the other phase of the motion, I doubt if the Aldermen were supplied with the minutes of the Committee meetings which took place over a long period of time. I don't think there was any official who appeared before that Committee who whole heartedly went so far as to support the City Manager Plan. Those are facts and all the information should be supplied to this Council before we are called upon to endorse the plan of the Council-Manager form of Government for this City. Once that report was filed I think it should have remained as it was. This is sort of re-opening it again. All the Aldermen should be supplied with all the information and the knowledge that went before that Committee and reviewed by it.*

His Worship the Mayor: "As Chairman of the Committee there was some suggestion made of a minority report to be prepared and I took it upon myself to withhold the filing of the majority report to give ample time for the filing of the minority report but none was filed. In bringing forward names I feel it is fair and proper that representation be from persons who the Chair knows are not all on one side and I tried to get people who had opposing views and it was no surprise there were divergencies of opinion in the Committee.*

Alderman O'Malley: "I believe if we are going to endorse it further, it should be endorsed by a further plebiscite also. If it is approved it should end there and I don't think it will end until such a plebiscite is held.*

Alderman Vaughan: "I rise to support the resolution of Alderman O'Brien. I think it is fair that the work of the Committee over a matter of months should have its report recognized here. I don't for one minute say I wholeheartedly support the present incumbent. I think there are obvious improvements which we will all recognize. There is one item on the agenda dealing with the City Field Agreement. I remember sitting down on a Committee for 4 and 5 weeks discussing it. In 5 minutes we dealt with it because the City Manager sat down with them and discussed it. Purchasing has also improved and it is of value to the City. Until such time as there is a great clamour or apparent request from the public for the removal of the City Manager system from the administration, we should continue under this set-up. I support the motion of Alderman O'Brien with those qualifications.*

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Alderman Dunlop: "I know now that the Council-Manager form of Government has not the full support of this Council. We might as well face that. When the report came in the last time it was not signed by three members of the Committee. When you have a committee of five Aldermen and three do not concur the matter should be looked into. This system is not working at its full efficiency. The only way it can work efficiently is to have the united support of the Council. I have heard Alderman O'Malley say that minutes were kept. They were never circulated to the Aldermen. The meetings were in camera. Certain matters have come up in this Council which have changed the picture and it has gotten into a personal matter. The system is working and working with reasonable efficiency. I am not satisfied that it is working to the full benefit that it could be applied. The Aldermen with the honest differences of opinion have their reasons. They should give us those differences of opinion to see if the system cannot be further improved."

Alderman DeWolf: "A great deal more went into the discussion and many officials were interviewed on the matter. I am not going to give the public what was told in secret. With respect to clause "B" in the resolution regarding 'purchasing' that was not proven. I can't remember it being fully discussed. There probably is efficiency in central purchasing but not full efficiency. I think that purchasing is done on a little larger scale. Goods are purchased and sent to the City Field and to that place must go people who want different articles. I believe there is a lot of time lost. The other system was goods were delivered to the place where they were sought. I don't know what amount of dollars the Purchasing Department takes care of. It might be \$200,000.00 a year. I don't know. It might be more. It is probably costing \$25,000.00 a year to operate the Department. If I am right it is costing 12¹/₂% more to buy the way we are doing it. This is all guess-work on my part. There was no evidence of any kind brought before the meeting. It was never proven before that committee in my opinion."

Alderman Lane: "As one of the signatories to the report it was the system that was weighed. As far as the in camera meetings were concerned, it should be made clear that there were a number of employees who were asked to come in

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and give frank opinions and they were assured of the protection of the court and what they had to say would not be used against them at any time. That is why the minutes were not distributed. It would be most unfair to any of them if they were distributed. The report approved the system and I would sign it again. If you put it to vote I certainly intend to vote for it."

Alderman DeWolf: "Never at any time did I say I was against the system. I am going to vote against the motion."

Alderman Macdonald: "As far as the members of the Committee were concerned, I think they were outstanding citizens. Their qualifications to judge on the evidence that was submitted is probably just as good as any of the Aldermen sitting on the Committee and perhaps better. With respect to Clause "B" in the resolution; a man was speaking who was the head of a purchasing department. The amount of money that went through the Department was approximately \$3,000,000.00 and he contended that since the set up of the Purchasing Department they saved from 10 to 15 percent on the purchasing and would represent approximately \$200,000.00 in savings to the City of Halifax. That came from the Head of the Purchasing Department to a public group."

Alderman DeWolf: "I think that is ridiculous for anyone to say the purchasing department purchased \$3,000,000.00. I think it is a ridiculous statement for the Purchasing Department to have made. I consider it improper information. We do not buy \$3,000,000.00 worth of merchandise a year."

Alderman O'Malley: "Alderman Macdonald makes reference to the outside members of the Committee. These outsiders served in Council out of the system and I don't think they were as well qualified to judge as members of Council. A committee was appointed to bring in a report."

His Worship the Mayor: "To draft it. There were some changes made."

Alderman O'Malley: "It was for the approval of the whole committee. I was the Council member of the committee with two of the citizens. I have no hesitation to say that that report was watered down in order to have me approve of it and also those who might be opposed to the report that they had drafted and it was already drafted before I met with them. It was not a report that was drafted by your Committee. I think this matter should be thrown out tonight. All the true facts have never been given to the Council."

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His Worship the Mayor: "The original draft was changed many times when it was being hammered into the common opinion of the Committee."

Alderman Vaughan: "Was a minority report filed?"

His Worship the Mayor: "No, not to my knowledge."

The motion was then put and passed 8 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Vaughan
O'Brien
Abbott
Dunlop
Lane
Macdonald
Ferguson
Wyman

- 8 -

AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Fox
O'Malley

- 3 -

TENDERS FOR SAND AND GRAVEL ✓

CITY OF HALIFAX

TABULATION OF TENDERS - SAND AND GRAVEL

Concrete Sand	Delivered at Wharf	\$3.25	cubic yard
	Delivered at Siding	3.25	"
	Delivered at City Field or on street	3.50	"
Course Sand	Delivered at Wharf	3.25	"
	Delivered at Siding	3.25	"
	Delivered at City Field or on street	3.50	"
Gravel	Delivered at Wharf	2.75	"
	Delivered at Siding	2.75	"
	Delivered at City Field or on street	3.25	"
Fine Sand	Delivered at Wharf	2.25	"
	Delivered at Siding	2.25	"
	Delivered at City Field or on street	2.75	"

Tender of Hubley Sand and Gravel Co Ltd. only tender received and is recommended

Prices are identical with those of 1956

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

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

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TENDERS FOR TRAFFIC LIGHTS CONNAUGHT AVENUE AND QUINPOOL ROAD

To: His Worship, the Mayor and Members of the City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: December 4, 1956.
Subject: Traffic Lights - Connaught Avenue & Quinpool Road

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on the above date the attached report from the City Electrician recommending that the equipment for Traffic Lights to be installed, at the intersection of Connaught Avenue and Quinpool Road be purchased from the Canadian General Electric Co. Ltd., at a price of \$2203.50, was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

REZONING NORTH EAST CORNER OXFORD AND YOUNG STREETS

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.
From: Town Planning Board.
Date: December 4, 1956.
Subject: Application to Rezone the N.E. Corner of Oxford and Young Streets.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on the above date, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending refusal of an application to rezone the north east corner of Oxford and Young Streets from R2 residential to C2 Commercial to permit the construction of a service station was considered.

The Board decided to refer this to City Council, without recommendation to set a date for a Public Hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the T.P. Board.
From: W.A.G. Snook, Town Planning Engineer.
Date: November 1st, 1956.
Subject: Application to rezone the north-east corner of Oxford and Young Sts.

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Your Worship and Members;

Attached is an application to rezone the north-east corner of Oxford and Young Streets from R2 residential to C2 commercial to permit the construction of a service station.

You will recall that a short time ago we made a very extensive study of this entire area and revised the zoning; it was decided, at that time, that the east side of Oxford Street should not be changed. I have re-examined the area and find that these conditions have not changed.

I suggest a service station would be harmful at this corner because of the trolley coach stop and secondary bus area seems adequately served by service stations at the present time.

I would recommend the Board refer a report of refusal to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Moved by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Fox that Council fix Thursday, January 31, 1957 at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N.S. as the time and place for a public hearing in this matter.

Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION HOOD STREET AND KEMPT ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works,
Date: December 4th, 1956.
Subject: Resubdivision - Sullivan Estate - Hood Street and Kempt Road.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on the above date, considered the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending approval of a plan of resubdivision of the "Sullivan Estate" into two lots, and that no Public Hearing be held.

The Board approved the report and resubdivision as shown on Plan No. 00-8-13638.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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

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BARRINGTON STREET WIDENING ✓

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: December 4, 1956.
Subject: Acquisition of Properties - Barrington Street Widening.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered the attached report from the City Engineer relative to purchasing certain small portions of land from the various owners in the area in order that a concrete sidewalk may be laid on the western side of Barrington St., north of Rector Street.

The Committee approved and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

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

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works.
From: Mr. A.C. Harris, City Engineer.
Date: December 3, 1956.
Subject: Acquisition of Properties - Barrington Street.

Before a concrete sidewalk may be laid on the western side of Barrington Street, north of Rector Street, it is necessary for the City to acquire certain small portions of land from the various property owners in this area.

Letters have been sent to the owners of the properties and were offered an amount of 30¢ per square foot, which was based on the Clemenshaw Valuation. Several of these owners have accepted the City offer and are listed below:

#1548 - Victor & Bessie Letriard, land \$154.50, renewal of steps \$50.00

#1552 - Alfred Surette, land \$105.00, renewal of steps \$50.00.

#1554 - Henry J. Boutilier, land only \$89.40.

#1562 - Kenneth J. Gray, land only \$36.00.

It is therefore recommended that the City purchase the necessary land for street widening from the above owners or whoever the owners that a subsequent search may reveal and where steps are affected, in the two cases mentioned above, that they be paid an additional amount of \$50.00, so that they may themselves rebuild the steps, which of necessity must be removed when the sidewalk work is under way.

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Some of the owners have requested that the amount of money to be paid be deducted from their account, since they have an agreement of Sale with the City of Halifax for the purchase of their properties. We believe this could be arranged and furthermore that the City would undertake to do all the legal work, such as preparation of the Deeds etc., for these transactions.

Negotiations are being carried on with the rest of the owners.

A.C. Harris,
City Engineer.

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

MICHIGAN LOADER (RILEY ENGINEERING SALES LIMITED)

Mr. West: "When the machine was delivered it was not to our specifications. I asked the Committee to ignore the bid and buy another machine. The Committee agreed. The Riley Company wrote me and said all the equipment would be in Halifax and some of it is here."

Alderman Dunlop: "The Commissioner of Works should keep in touch with the City Solicitor."

His Worship the Mayor: "I have been in touch with it all along."

No further action was taken on this matter.

STREET LIGHTING

To: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: December 4th., 1956.
Subject: Street Lighting.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on the above date a report from the City Electrician recommending that the following street lights be installed, at an estimated cost of \$242.94, was approved and recommended to City Council.

One 250 C.P. Light on Albert Street, between Duffus and Rector Streets.

Two 250 C.P. Lights on Seaforth Street, between Dublin and Windsor Streets.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Per J.B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

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CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean,
Clerk of Works.

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

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PAVING AREA C.B.C. BUILDING ✓

To: His Worship, the Mayor and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: December 4, 1956.
Subject: Land Sale Account - Re: Paving C.B.C.

A report from the City Clerk advising that the resolution passed by City Council providing for the withdrawal of \$2,000.00 from the Land Sale Account for the purpose of paying a share of the cost of paving the area adjacent to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation Building, has not received the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date.

The Committee agreed to recommend that this payment be charged to 316C.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman DeWolf: "I would like to know why it is being done? Is it being done because we took up a sewer and we are replacing pavement?"

His Worship the Mayor: "A large area was paved and we are paving a portion."

Mr. West: "They asked for permission to relocate the sewer and join the City sewer by the Fire Alarm Building. The paving is on our property."

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

PROGRESS PAYMENT ARMDALE ROTARY ✓

To: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of City Council.
From: Committee on Works.
Date: December 4th, 1956.
Subject: Progress Payment - Armdale Rotary.

The Committee on Works, at a meeting held on December 4th, 1956, recommended that a progress payment of \$13,325.26 be made to the Province of Nova Scotia on account of the Armdale Rotary.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

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Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Wyman that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Dunlop wished to know how much the City had paid out in connection with Armdale Rotary and was advised by the City Manager that it was in the vicinity of \$58,000.00."

EMERGENCY SHELTER BORROWING ✓

This item was deferred in the Finance and Executive Committee hence the Council took no action.

Alderman Greenwood arrives at 9.55 P.M.

INCINERATOR SITE ✓

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: December 13, 1956.

Subject: Incinerator Site - Expropriation.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held today considered the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending expropriation of the following properties required by the City of Halifax for an Incinerator Site on the northern side of Lady Hammond Road, at Mackintosh Street.

1. Herbert L. Cooper	39,100	sq.ft.	
2. J.C. Mackintosh Estate	6,000	" "	
3. Irving Oil Co.Ltd.	<u>72,380</u>	" "	
	117,480	" "	=, 2.7 acres.

The Committee recommended that proceedings be undertaken, and amounts equal to the present assessments paid into Court on two lots, and \$1.00 for the North-east lot of land of which the title is in doubt.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

BE IT RESOLVED that this Council does hereby adopt the recommendation contained in the Resolution of the Committee on Works passed at a meeting of the said Committee held December 13, 1956, for the expropriation of certain lands in the City of Halifax as more fully described in the said Resolution of the Committee on Works and set out on a Plan dated December 11, 1956, numbered RR-6-13641; and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia, referred to in the said Resolution.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said lands be and the same are hereby expropriated and that the City Clerk do pay to the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia the following respective sums of lawful money of Canada as the price or compensation for the said respective lands:

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\$ 16,800.00 for Lands of Herbert L. Cooper.

25,000.00 for Lands of Irving Oil Company Limited.

1.00 for Lands of Estate of J.C. MacKintosh.

WHEREAS the Commissioner of Works has submitted a report, dated December 13, 1956, and also a plan and descriptions covering the expropriation of certain lands owned by Herbert L. Cooper, and Irving Oil Company Limited and certain other lands purporting to be owned by the J.C. MacKintosh Estate situated on the southwestern side of MacKintosh Street between Lady Hammond Road and certain other land of Irving Oil Company Limited and Hubley's Sand and Gravel Company Limited, hereinafter more fully described for the purpose of constructing an incinerator thereon:

AND WHEREAS the Committee on Works is of the opinion that the said lands should be acquired for the purpose aforesaid;

AND WHEREAS in the opinion of the said Committee the price or compensation respectively asked by the said Herbert L. Cooper and Irving Oil Company Limited for the said lands is excessive;

AND WHEREAS in the opinion of the said Committee a good title cannot be given to the lands of the said J.C. MacKintosh Estate;

AND WHEREAS for the foregoing reasons the said Committee deems that it should recommend to the Council that the said lands be acquired by expropriation;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED and it is recommended to the City Council that for the foregoing reasons the said lands as hereinafter more fully described be expropriated;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk pay to the Prothonotary of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia the following respective sums of lawful money of Canada as the price or compensation for the said respective lands hereinafter more fully described;

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25,000.00 for Lands of Irving Oil Company Limited.

1.00 for Lands of Estate of J.C. MacKintosh.

The said lands to be expropriated from Herbert L. Cooper are more particularly described as follows:

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All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being at the northwestern corner of Lady Hammond Road and MacKintosh Street in the City of Halifax as shown bordered in green on a Plan entitled "Expropriation Plan of Certain Lands Required by the City of Halifax for an Incinerator Site, Lady Hammond Road", dated December 11, 1956, signed by G.F. West, Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax, and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax at City Hall as Plan No. RR-6-13641, and being also on file in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia; the said land being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the northern official street line of Lady Hammond Road with the southwestern official street line of MacKintosh Street;

Thence westwardly along the said northern official street line of Lady Hammond Road for a distance of one hundred and twenty-two feet (122') more or less or to the northeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Irving Oil Company Limited;

Thence northwestwardly along the said northeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Irving Oil Company Limited for a distance of three hundred and fifty-six feet (356') more or less or to the southeastern street line of Bayne Street now or formerly owned by the J.C. MacKintosh Estate;

Thence northeastwardly along the said southeastern street line of Bayne Street for a distance of one hundred feet (100') more or less or to the aforesaid southwestern official street line of MacKintosh Street;

Thence southeastwardly along the aforesaid southeastern street line of MacKintosh Street for a distance of four hundred and twenty-six feet (426') more or less or to the place of beginning.

The said lands to be expropriated from Irving Oil Company Limited are more particularly described as follows:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the northern side of Lady Hammond Road between MacKintosh Street and Kempt Road as shown bordered in red on a Plan entitled "Expropriation Plan of Certain Lands Required by the City of Halifax for an Incinerator Site, Lady Hammond Road", dated December 11, 1956, signed by G.F. West, Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax, and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax at City Hall as Plan No. RR-6-13642 and being also on file in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia; the said land being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the northern official street line of Lady Hammond Road is intersected by the southwestern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Herbert L. Cooper;

Thence southeastwardly along the prolongation southwardly of the said southwestern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Herbert L. Cooper, for a distance of three feet and five hundredths of a foot (3.05') more or less or to a concrete monument on the former northern street line of Lady Hammond Road;

Thence westwardly along the various courses of the said former northern street line of Lady Hammond Road for a distance of two hundred and thirty-three feet and five tenths of a foot (233.5') more or less or to a point distant southwestwardly two hundred feet (200') measured at a right angle to the aforesaid southwestern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Herbert L. Cooper;

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Thence northwestwardly parallel to the aforesaid southwestern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Herbert L. Cooper for a distance of two hundred and ninety-nine feet (299') more or less or to the prolongation southwestwardly of the southeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Hubley's Sand and Gravel Company;

Thence northeastwardly along the said prolongation southwestwardly of the southeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Hubley's Sand and Gravel Company for a distance of two hundred feet (200') more or less or to the southwestern boundary line of Bayne Street now or formerly owned by the J.C. MacKintosh Estate;

Thence southeastwardly along the said southwestern boundary line of Bayne Street now or formerly owned by the J.C. MacKintosh Estate and continuing southeastwardly along the aforesaid southwestern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Herbert L. Cooper for a distance of four hundred and sixteen feet (416') more or less or to the place of beginning.

The said lands to be expropriated from the J.C. MacKintosh Estate are more particularly described as follows:

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the southwestern side of MacKintosh Street between Lady Hammond Road and the Canadian National Railways as shown bordered in yellow on a Plan entitled "Expropriation Plan of Certain Lands Required by the City of Halifax for an Incinerator Site, Lady Hammond Road", dated December 11, 1956, signed by G.F. West, Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax and filed in the office of the Commissioner of Works of the City of Halifax at City Hall as Plan No. RR-6-13641, and being also on file in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia; the said land being more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a point where the southwestern official street line of MacKintosh Street is intersected by the southeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Hubley's Sand and Gravel Company;

Thence southeastwardly along the said southwestern official street line of MacKintosh Street for a distance of sixty feet (60') more or less or to the intersection of the said southwestern street line of MacKintosh Street with the northwestern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Herbert L. Cooper;

Thence southwestwardly along the said northwestern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Herbert L. Cooper for a distance of one hundred feet (100') more or less or to the northeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Irving Oil Company Limited;

Thence northwestwardly along the said northeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Irving Oil Company Limited for a distance of sixty feet (60') more or less or to the aforesaid southeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Hubley's Sand and Gravel Company;

Thence northeastwardly along the said southeastern boundary line of land now or formerly owned by Hubley's Sand and Gravel Company for a distance of one hundred feet (100') more or less or to the place of beginning.

Moved by Alderman Dallop, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report and resolutions as submitted be approved.

Alderman DeWolf: "Mr. Hubley tells me he owns the part on the plan marked

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'Street'. He was contemplating building there. Possibly the Engineering Department might be able to make an exchange and it won't cost us any money. It should be pointed out that it may be more than just the cost of the land."

City Solicitor: "We are paying out \$16,800.00 for the Cooper Land, \$25,000.00 for the Irving Oil land and \$1.00 for the property mentioned by Alderman DeWolf of which the ownership is not known and the title not known. Suppose the owners say they want more money and it comes up to arbitration, and say the award is double, then the City has the right to abandon the expropriation."

His Worship the Mayor suggested paying \$1.00 for each parcel of land into Court.

City Solicitor: "We are supposed to pay into Court what the property is worth."

Alderman Lane: "It is quite possible that this land might cost us a tidy sum of money. We own another piece of property. I want the Commissioner of Works to state that this site is much more superior than the other one."

Mr. West: "If we can get it for the price suggested it is certainly worth it. Purchasing Cooper's property came from the Council and not from me. I certainly prefer it."

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen O'Brien, Greenwood, DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, O'Malley, Wyman and Vaughan.

BOILER INSURANCE ✓

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

The matter of Boiler Insurance was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was decided to recommend that the insurance be underwritten by W.H. MacInnes & Company and divided equally among all companies who sell boiler insurance.

Respectfully submitted

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

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

DEATH OF EX-MAYOR KENNY

His Worship the Mayor: "Joseph Burke Kenny, Q.C., who died recently in Victoria, B.C., at the age of 85 years, was educated in England and practised law in Halifax for many years being associated for some time with the firm of McInnes, Mellish, Fulton and Kenny, and later as a partner of the late Maynard Archibald. He built a beautiful home (The Braemar) on Thornvale Avenue where he resided. He sold this home to the late J. MacG. Stewart, Esq. Q.C., whose widow still resides there.

Mr. Kenny entered the City Council as an Alderman for Ward 3 on May 1, 1924, having defeated his opponent, Mr. Henry Curtis, at the election held on April 30, 1924 by 385 to 205, a majority of 280.

One year later, on April 29, 1925, he was elected Mayor by defeating Bernard Wallace Russell by 2345 to 2021, a majority of 324. He was returned unopposed the next two years and served until April 30, 1928.

In 1932 the Kennys left Halifax to reside in Southern France as Mrs. Kenny was in very poor health. They were forced to evacuate their home there during the early years of the last war and in 1941 came to Canada. They resided in Montreal for a time before going West. Mrs. Kenny died in 1948 and was buried in Medicine Hat. Mr. Kenny then moved to Victoria where he resided until his death."

He advised he had written to the relatives of the late Mr. Kenny.

ALDERMAN ADAMS ✓

His Worship the Mayor advised that Alderman Adams is in the hospital for a checkup and had had some X-Rays.

CITY TWINNING ✓

His Worship the Mayor advised that he had written to all those persons and firms who had in any way contributed to the entertainment of the Sherbrooke delegation while they were here and that he had distributed shoe laces, balloons, etc., to various organizations and institutions which they had donated to the City. He also advised that the cost to the City stood at \$1,681.00 and he requested an appropriation of \$1,700.00 to cover the same.

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Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the sum of \$1,700.00 be provided under the authority of Section 316 "C" to cover the costs of the Twin City Program. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor: "We have been particularly fortunate in having had the help of Ralph Stoddard in arranging the many details concerned with this visit that ran over a period of four days. There were dozens of items to be looked after, entertainment, hotels, timetables, head table arrangements, outside groups putting on activities and in the work that he did Mr. Stoddard is deserving of praise from our City Council. I am very happy to bring this to your attention."

COMMISSIONING NEW SAGUENAY ✓

His Worship the Mayor: "On Saturday the Halifax Shipyards Limited turns over H.M.C.S. Saguenay to be commissioned. It is an important event for Halifax. On the bare bones of economics alone the Navy is our Number 1 industry and shipbuilding for the Navy plays a major part. Besides the "Saguenay", launched but not commissioned, is the "Margaree" and still on the way is the "Chaudiere". The construction of these three great ships will cost over \$50,000,000.00 and adding the extensive electronic equipment the price is sharply increased. Sixteen hundred of our skilled craftsmen have worked on these ships.

These anti-submarine destroyers are named after Canadian Rivers. The Saguenay flows from Lake Saint John in Quebec to the Saint Lawrence River.

The first "Saguenay" was built in the United Kingdom for Canada. Fighting in 1940 she was torpedoed 300 miles off Ireland; when some wise counsel might have abandoned the gravely damaged ship but the R.C.N. in a feat of seamanship and determination, managed a tow at a creeping 4 to 6 knots and saved her to fight again.

After repairs she again returned to escort duty in Atlantic waters. In November, 1942, while on duty, sighting a submarine she wheeled on her track and she was struck by a bulky merchantman behind her, causing extensive damage. By now, however, she had served 80% of her estimated useful sea time and she

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was taken to Cornwallis Base at Deep Brook to act as a stationary training ship. There, wry Navy humour fictionally dubbed her "H.M.C.S. STANDSTILL".

I ask the City Council to pass a motion of congratulations to Halifax Shipyards Limited and to wish a long and honorable career to the new "Saguenay" and good fortune to those who sail her."

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the Halifax Shipyards Limited be congratulated on the construction of the "Saguenay" and that this Council wish her a long and honorable career and good fortune to those who sail her. Motion passed.

QUEEN'S OWN RIFLES ✓

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had written to Col. McPherson of the Queen's Own Rifles congratulating him on the high degree of discipline of the men over a long period of waiting for orders. He wished them well and felt sorry events did not allow them to fill their original mission.

BELLEVUE EXPROPRIATION ✓

His Worship the Mayor: "The City Solicitor tells me the decision on Bellevue as far as it affects the City, does not determine to who the expropriation money is to be paid."

Moved by Alderman Durlap, seconded by Alderman Lane that the City Solicitor be instructed to take such action in other courts as he may determine for the purpose of attempting to collect any expropriation monies as he may see are those of the City. Motion passed with Alderman O'Malley wishing to be recorded against.

NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN ABBOTT RE: SIDEWALK SNOW REMOVAL ✓

Alderman Abbott gave notice that at the next Council meeting he will move that the City provide the sum of \$2,000.00 to undertake snow removal from the sidewalks in the City of Halifax on a trial basis; the sidewalks to be cleared to be selected by His Worship the Mayor and the Commissioner of Works.

It was agreed that this motion be considered at the Council meeting scheduled for January 3, 1957.

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LAUNCHING NEW "SAGUENAY" ✓

Alderman DeWolf: "I don't believe that ever in history of a launching was the City Council ever given the opportunity of viewing it. It would be nice for the Council to see such a launching."

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTY HEAD OF TOWER TERRACE ✓

Alderman DeWolf: "A resident of Tower Terrace has informed me that there is private negotiations for the acquisition of a piece of property at the head of Tower Terrace. He has asked me to bring this to the attention of City Council. If it is acquired by somebody else it may be built upon. If Tower Terrace was made a through street there would be some apartment houses built there. I would like to throw it out at the moment. It should be brought to the attention of the City Manager for a report to the next meeting of the Committee on Works."

TRAFFIC CORNER OF QUINPOOL ROAD AND OXFORD STREET ✓

Alderman DeWolf: "I don't believe there is any worse corner than Quinpool Road and Oxford Street as far as pedestrian traffic is concerned. In passing three times, twice I had to jump out of the way of cars driving around the corner at 40 miles an hour. Sooner or later somebody may be killed there. I would like to see the Chief pull on a few offenders. One man cut around the corner on the wrong side."

The matter was referred to the Chief of Police.

NEW ZONING BY LAW ✓

Alderman C. Brien: asked what progress had been made with respect to submitting the new Zoning By-Law for consideration.

His Worship the Mayor: "I was talking to the Manager about that and urging upon him that an early hearing be held. The matter should be determined."

City Manager: "For the last 4 or 5 weeks I have been spending most of my time on the budget."

It was suggested that the matter be placed on the agenda for the meeting of City Council called for January 31, 1957.

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APARTMENTS PINEHURST AREA ✓

Alderman O'Brien asked the Commissioner of Works if certain apartments occupied in the Pinehurst Area had been cleared out or not.

His Worship the Mayor: "It seems to me that the City of Halifax is very much concerned in this. If I am correctly advised certain permissions were given to go ahead because of an oversight on the part of the City staff. If they are not legalized action can be taken. I am eager to bring this matter to a head and get our sidelights aired and finished."

Mr. West: "The progress on the problem is; you might recall that due to circumstances of which the Council is aware of, permits were issued for apartments in the Pinehurst area. We informed them they were issued in error. In the area I think there are three. We wrote to them telling them the permits were in error. We asked them for some concrete evidence that they were attempting to comply with our regulations to straighten it out. We got letters back and they said in view of the fact that they have leases with occupants the expiration of the lease would be the first opportunity they would have. Mrs. Bethune was away for 3 weeks but we will be getting together on it the first of the week."

SACKVILLE STREET PARKING LOT ✓

Alderman O'Brien read the following from the minutes of the City Council meeting held on July 12, 1956 relative to the above Parking Lot: "Moved an amendment by Alderman Wymen, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the parking on this lot be prohibited as of November 30, 1956 and in the meantime, study be given to such an alternative plan as shown in the City Manager's report."

CHRISTMAS CLOSING ✓

Alderman O'Malley referred to the fact that it was customary to grant the employees time off for shopping.

His Worship the Mayor: "It seems to me that we are taking a step which is not done in industry."

Alderman O'Malley: "We don't have to be guided by anyone else. It is our prerogative."

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that City offices be closed Monday, December 24th, at 1.00 P.M. Motion passed.

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REPORT ON MOUNTED SQUAD ✓

Alderman Dunlop stated that the Chief of Police was directed to report on the Mounted Squad at the December meeting of Council as to its continuance or not.

The Chief stated the report would go out before the 1957 Budget was considered and would be placed on the agenda of the January 3, 1957 meeting of City Council.

MUD CONDITION ON CITY STREETS ✓

Alderman Vaughan: "I would like to draw attention to the condition of Memorial Drive, St. Andrew's Ave., Crows Nest Drive and Balmoral Road. Each street is in a terrible condition. The mud is ankle deep. Is this condition the result of a lack of funds? What is the reason for it? I think they are entitled to some crushed rock at least."

The City Manager stated that some of the streets mentioned may not be accepted City streets as yet.

Mr. West: "We spent considerable time and money. It was almost impossible for us to do any maintenance work as they were putting in a sewer. We did considerable grading. The mild spell may have caused the mud condition. There will be other streets we will be attending to. It was certainly not through lack of attention on our part."

HORSE RACING ON COMMONS ✓

Alderman Vaughan stated that with respect to horse racing on the north common the racing vehicles take in a wide area and he was very much concerned with what happens to the grounds in the soft weather. He asked if the area could be marked off for racing so as not to destroy too much of the grounds.

The matter was referred to the Chief of Police to look into.

City Manager: "They have the use of the Common without limitation. Each Spring they put it back in good condition. When they return it to us it is just as good as when we give it to them."

POLLUTION NORTH WEST ARM ✓

Alderman Lane: "What is the condition of the water in the Arm?"

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Dr. Morton: "For the past 12 years samples have been taken. We have found during the 12 years that we can reduce the bacterial count. We take these samples each day. There is contamination after a rainstorm. Within 36 hours and 3 changes of tide we can usually come back to a safe limit. (He then read statement in Mail-Star respecting pollution of the Arm waters.) The only test that can be done on water is to test for coliform count. There are no tests whereby one can count the number of T.B. or Typhoid germs in water. Coliform is only an index to show whether there is pollution from human excretion. Our tests are taken each day. The reports are reported to us up to 1100 or greater and we have checked back for the last 3 years and find that during this past summer out of 70 samples, 30% were high. On the day when the counts were high there had been on the day before or the day itself, a very substantial rainfall. I do not think that anybody is against the necessity or need of having something done to preserve the North West Arm. I have always felt that the contamination of the Arm from the sewer, something should be done. Sewerage treatment can only be done if you get it all in one spot. The treatment plant would be around \$1,000,000.00. The big part of it would be that the sewer from Chebucto Road to the plant will have to be enlarged in order to take all the sewerage to the plant. It is necessary for every house on the Arm to connect to the Arm sewer. There are houses on the other side which do not. There are high effluents from them which drain into the Arm which all adds to the pollution. During the summer season when we are chlorinating the pollution is no worse than any other part. Those are the facts as I see them."

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Alderman Fox: "What happened there is so much garbage on the streets after the collection."

Mr. West: "For a year we have been making an effort to get the people to use the proper containers. 90% of the people are co-operative. They drop back into the habit of using cartons. We are going to notify the people that we are going to clamp down on them and invoke the \$40.00 fine."

His Worship the Mayor: "What about night time collection?"

Mr. West: "We are considering that."

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TAXES NAVY LEAGUE OF CANADA ✓

December 10, 1956.

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 A. Gordon Cooper, Esq., Q.C., on behalf of the Navy League of Canada for tax exemption with respect to the premises of the Sea Gull Club, 41-43 Hollis Street.

It was decided to recommend that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to assess the Navy League of Canada on the property mentioned, sufficient to produce an annual tax of \$1,500.00 for the year 1956 and subsequent years.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAXES MARITIME CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC ✓

December 10, 1956.

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 Maritime Conservatory of Music for tax exemption on premises occupied by it at 38 Windsor Street.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to tax the Maritime Conservatory of Music on premises occupied by it at the Residential rate.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Dr. J.W. Merritt addressed the Council on behalf of the Conservatory and urged support to the request for full tax exemption.

Alderman Dunlop: "I can't see any difference between the Nova Scotia College of Art and the Maritime Conservatory of Music. We gave them a grant of \$80,000.00. I don't know why we don't extend the same privilege to the Conservatory. This building if used for the purpose it was formerly used would not bring in any taxes. Another organization takes over and we propose to tax them on the residential rate. They are now in a central building and we should be happy they are there. Until we are convinced that they can pay, we should extend the same privilege."

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His Worship the Mayor: "In the case of the Nova Scotia College of Art, the college pays the larger part of the operation. We assisted in the purchase of the building. It is not correct to say that the building would not pay taxes. We pay them \$5,000.00 a year as a grant and we charge them no occupancy tax. I think the motion as it stands does quite a bit."

Alderman Dunlop: "Is the Halifax Ladies College taxed?"

Mr. Thomson: "No sir."

Alderman Dunlop: "There is no difference between the two of these."

Moved by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Abbott that legislation be secured to relieve this institution of taxation henceforth so long as it is occupied by the Conservatory of Music.

The motion was put and passed 8 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Abbott
Lane
Fox
Ferguson
O'Malley
Vaughan
O'Brien

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Greenwood
Macdonald

- 2 -

Alderman Dunlop and Wyman were excused from voting on this item.

BAYERS ROAD HOUSING PROJECT VALUE FOR ASSESSMENT

December 10, 1956.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager respecting Bayers Road Housing Agreement and decided to recommend that the houses in the Bayers Road Housing Project be placed on the assessment roll in the usual way.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 12th 1956.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Re: Assessments -- Central Mortgage & Housing Corp. and City of Halifax --
Housing Project and Community Housing Limited.

As requested at the last meeting of City Council, the following assessments on
properties owned by the above mentioned are forwarded for your information.

There are 17 single units fronting on Bayers Road and for the civic year 1957
they are assessed as follows:

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>TYPE</u>	<u>ASSESSED VALUATION</u>
101 Bayers Rd.	23 x 24	1	\$ 11,450.
"	28 x 24	1	10,350.
"	27 x 24	1	10,250.
"	28 x 24	1	10,350.
"	23 x 24	2	11,450.
"	23 x 24	2	11,450.
"	27 x 24	1	10,250.
"	23 x 24	2	11,450.
"	23 x 24	2	11,450.
"	28 x 24	1	10,350.
"	27 x 24	1	10,250.
"	23 x 24	2	11,450.
"	23 x 24	2	11,450.
"	28 x 24	1	10,350.
"	27 x 24	1	10,250.
"	27 x 24	1	10,250.
"	28 x 24	1	10,350.

The total valuation is \$184,300. and at the current rate of \$10.75 would produce
a net of \$1,704.50 or an average of \$162.50 per unit.

The lot for the apartment houses, 22.5 acres, is proportioned to the individual
apartments.

There are four family units fronting on Federal Avenue and they are assessed
as follows:

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>SIZE</u>	<u>ASSESSED VALUATION</u>
104 Ave.	104 x 24	\$ 15,400.
"	104 x 24	15,400.
"	104 x 24	15,400.
"	104 x 24	15,400.
"	104 x 24	15,400.
"	92 x 24	12,400.
"	92 x 24	12,400.
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Net Income before Amortization

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LOCATION	SIZE	ASSESSED VALUATION
1201-1202 Roman Ave.	104 x 24	\$ 18,400
"	92 x 24	18,400
"	92 x 24	18,400
"	92 x 24	18,400
"	92 x 24	18,400
"	92 x 24	18,400
"	92 x 24	18,400
"	104 x 24	18,400

These are four family units fronting on Roman Avenue and they are assessed as follows:

LOCATION	SIZE	ASSESSED VALUATION
61-67 Roman Ave.	104 x 24	\$ 18,400
69-73 "	104 x 24	18,400
75-79 "	92 x 24	18,400
81 "	92 x 24	18,400
83 "	92 x 24	18,400
85-89 "	92 x 24	18,400
91-95 "	92 x 24	18,400
97-101 "	92 x 24	18,400
103-107 "	92 x 24	18,400
109-113 "	92 x 24	18,400
115-119 "	104 x 24	18,400
121-125 "	104 x 24	18,400
127-131 "	92 x 24	18,400
133-137 "	92 x 24	18,400
139-143 "	92 x 24	18,400
145-149 "	92 x 24	18,400

The total assessed valuation is \$1,562,400, and at the current rate of \$1.10 per dollar of assessed value, the total assessed value is \$23,426,400 or \$16,000 per unit.

In respect to the real property owned by the Community, the assessed value of the property, the amount and normal assessment of the property, and the amount of the property tax and household taxes are as follows:

LOCATION	SIZE	TAXES	ASSESSED VALUATION
101-103 Roman Court	28 x 24	\$ 1,100	\$ 18,400
"	28 x 24	1,100	18,400
"	28 x 24	1,100	18,400
"	28 x 24	1,100	18,400
"	28 x 24	1,100	18,400
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"	28 x 24	1,100	18,400
"	28 x 24	1,100	18,400
"	28 x 24	1,100	18,400
"	28 x 24	1,100	18,400

Net Income before Amortization

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LOCATION	SIZE	TYPE	ASSESSED VALUATION
51 Good Ave.	26 x 24	1 1/2 story brick	\$ 10,500.
53 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,500.
55 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,250.
57 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,500.
62 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,750.
64 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,250.
66 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,100.
68 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,400.
70 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,800.
72 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,500.
74 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,100.
76 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,500.
78 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,450.
80 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,500.
82 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,600.
84 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,550.
86 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,600.
88 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,300.
90 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,350.
92 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,350.
94 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,550.
96 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	11,500.
98 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,750.
100 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,300.
102 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,100.
104 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,100.
106 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,350.
108 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,350.
110 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,650.
112 " "	26 x 24	1 1/2 " brick	10,350.
114 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,450.
116 " "	22 x 24	2 " frame	10,750.

The total assessed valuation is \$554,550. and at current rate of \$1.53 would produce \$848.28 or an average of \$156.00 per unit.

Section 370(10)(a) of the City Charter and reads as follows:

"Notwithstanding the provisions of the Bonus Act and subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, and pursuant to a resolution of the Council, the real property owned by any Limited Dividend Housing Corporation as defined by clause 24 of Section 2 of the National Housing Act, 1944, enacted by Chapter 47 of the Statutes of Canada for the years 1944-1945, consisting of one or more housing projects, as defined in clause 20 of said Section 2 of the said The National Housing Act, created pursuant to the provisions of the said Act at a certain value, may, during the period set out in the said resolution be assessed and rated at a sum sufficient to produce at the tax rate and millage rate of the Commissioner of Finance and Accounts the amount of \$100.00 per housing unit."

The above produce taxes of \$98.00 per unit at a millage rate of \$1.53 per \$100.00 of assessed value.

W. F. THOMAS
 W. F. THOMAS,
 CITY ASSessor.

December 13, 1956.

A report was distributed from the City Assessor giving particulars respecting the assessment on the properties in this project as well as those of the Community Housing Limited.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Greenwood that the value for fire protection and household taxes for the properties in the Bayers Road Housing Project be fixed at \$10,850.00 and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute an amendment to the original agreement between the City of Halifax, Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the Housing Authority of Halifax.

Motion passed.

Alderman Dunlop suggested that negotiations be started with the Community Housing Limited with a view to having them pay comparable taxes on their buildings.

The City Solicitor was requested to report to the next regular meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee as to what action could be taken.

The City Manager was instructed to see if Mr. Hatfield would consider such a suggestion.

BAYERS ROAD HOUSING PROJECT PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1957 ✓

To: His Worship, L.A. Kitz, and
Members of City Council.

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

Date: December 10, 1956.

Subject: Bayers Road Housing Project - Proposed Budget.

CITY OF HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA
BAYERS ROAD HOUSING PROJECT
PROPOSED BUDGET FOR
1957

ESTIMATED REVENUE & EXPENDITURES

Estimated Gross Rents based on Rents in Effect Nov. 1, 1956	\$111,840.00
Estimated Bad Debts	300.00
	<u>111,540.00</u>
Interest on Deposits	170.00
Recovery on Maintenance Charges from Tenants	200.00
Estimated Gross Revenue	<u>\$111,910.00</u>

Estimated Expenses

Administrative Expenses	\$6,201.00	
Sundry " "	1,725.00	
Property " "	12,000.00	
Municipal Taxes	27,885.00	
Fire Protection Rates	1,336.00	
Fire Insurance - Central Mortgage & Housing	2,148.77	51,295.77
Net Income before Amortization		<u>60,614.23</u>

December 13, 1956.

Amortization Payments

Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation	\$59,384.75
City of Halifax	<u>21,314.58</u>
Total Amortization	<u>\$80,699.33</u>

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

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS ✓

December 10, 1956.

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 report from the City Manager respecting additional appropriations.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

To: His Worship, L.A. Kitz, and
Members of City Council.

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

Date: December 10, 1956.

Subject: Additional Appropriations.

The following accounts are likely to be overdrawn before the end of the year and authority is asked to make the following additional appropriations under Section 316C of the City Charter.

Mayor & Aldermen (Salary Increases)	\$8,000.00
City Clerk (extra clerk)	2,470.00
Assessor's Dept. (additional personnel & supplies)	12,000.00
Assessment Appeal Court	35,000.00
City Home	15,000.00
Rental Authority	200.00
Metropolitan Survey	<u>10,000.00</u>
	82,670.00

We have \$65,000.00 in a salaries adjustment account which will be distributed after the pay of December 15, 1956 to those accounts which need supplementation. We feel this amount is more than sufficient.

Authorization is asked for the accounts listed above and for the transfers mentioned in the paragraph above.

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

December 13, 1956.

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

REQUEST JUNIOR BOARD OF TRADE TO USE VICTORIA PARK FOR CAROL SINGING DURING
THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 16th

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Ferguson that the Junior Board of Trade be permitted to use Victoria Park for the purpose requested.

Motion passed.

RATES HALIFAX CITY HOME ✓

December 10, 1956.

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

The attached report from the Commissioner of Health respecting "Rates, Halifax City Home" was considered by the Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK

December 7, 1956.

Chairman and Members
Committee on Public Health and Welfare.

Rates, Halifax City Home

Some months ago at a regular meeting I reported an increase in the rates at the Halifax County Hospital, and I was asked to look into our present rates at the Halifax City Home.

Mr. Ettinger, at the present time, is authorized to charge up to \$2.00 per day to the relatives of patients who are being housed in that Institution. The revenue we receive at the City Home comes mostly from Old Age Pensioners and the amount which we are allowed to collect from them is not more than \$3000 per month.

There are, however, numerous other patients there who are getting other pensions, and some of them are able to pay the \$2.00 rate and possibly even more without any hardship to themselves or to their families. There are many other patients where the relatives, in my opinion, could pay the higher rate.

I would recommend that the maximum rate to be charged be increased from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per day and that where the patients are being cared for as convalescent patients and special attention or bed patients that this rate be \$4.00 per day. This, of course, would include the patients who are being cared for as City Home type of patients in the Infectious Diseases Hospital. Our costs there are going to be a minimum in excess of the \$4.00 rate because the single room accommodation which is all we can provide in that building requires a larger staff to care for them.

December 13, 1956.

These rates do not necessarily mean that a person has to pay that amount, as Mr. Ettinger has always had authority to investigate and make arrangements with the relatives to pay what he feels they are able to pay.

The rate for patients who are being cared for and charged against the Provincial Government, most of whom are transients and only there for a short time, should be charged at the \$3.00 rate, whereas others cared for from other Counties, I feel, should not be charged any higher than the County rate.

The recommended schedule, therefore, would be the same as what the Halifax County is now charging us and other County patients; namely \$15.00 per week.

Respectfully submitted,

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

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

AGREEMENT CANADIAN LIQUID AIR COMPANY LIMITED ✓

December 10, 1956.

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

A report from the Commissioner of Health submitting an agreement from the Canadian Liquid Air Co. Ltd., for the supply of Oxygen and Medical Gases for the year 1957 was considered by the Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SALE OF TAX CERTIFICATES ✓

December 10, 1956.

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 report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting Tax Certificates.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 13, 1956.

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

From: L.M. Romkey, Commissioner of Finance.

Date: November 23, 1956.

Subject: Tax Certificates.

Your Worship and Aldermen:

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

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

The suggested schedule of rates is as follows:-

A \$100.00 certificate purchased on or before January 7th, at a price of \$98.75
A \$100.00 certificate purchased on or before February 6th, at a price of \$99.10
A \$100.00 certificate purchased on or before March 6th, at a price of \$99.40
A \$100.00 certificate purchased on or before April 1st, at a price of \$99.70

The effective interest rate on a certificate purchased on January 7th, is approximately 4% per annum.

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

Respectfully submitted,

L.M. Romkey,
Commissioner of Finance.

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

BORROWING CURRENT ACCOUNT \$1,500,000.00 ✓

December 10, 1956.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a request from the Commissioner of Finance for authority to borrow \$1,500,000.00 from the Royal Bank of Canada in such amounts as may from time to time be necessary to maintain the current account in funds, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted under the authority of Section 318B of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 13, 1956.

It was suggested that the City Manager secure the funds at any place where he can get better rates.

It was agreed to approve of the report and request the City Manager to negotiate the City's business with whomever he considers it to be in the best interests of the City to do so.

BORROWING FOR SCHOOLS - ADDITION ALEXANDER McKAY \$174,459.40 AND ADDITION ST. ANDREW'S \$112,500.00

December 10, 1956.

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 Board of School Commissioners to be placed in funds for the following capital requirements:-

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|------------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Alexander McKay School Addition | \$174,459.40 |
| 2. St. Andrew's School Addition | 112,500.00 |

Your Committee recommends that application be made to the Department of Municipal Affairs for authority to borrow the sums required.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

His Worship the Mayor: "I hope the Board is trying to keep the type of school building to its most reasonable level. I shall try to speak to the new Government to amortize over a longer period. Will these schools be supplied with sprinkler systems if they are one storey? I register my objection to it."

Alderman Lane: "The matter of sprinklers is on the recommendation of an architect and the Fire Chief."

His Worship the Mayor: "Are these one storey buildings?"

Alderman Lane: "St. Andrews. I can assure you that that situation will be watched. All of us are aware of the situation. For over 30 years no work was done on the schools. There were depressions and wars. There was no evidence of a housing development springing up in that area when the school was first planned. I can assure you that economy is in the mind of the Board."

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, O'Malley, Wyman, Vaughan, O'Brien and Greenwood

December 13, 1956.

Formal Borrowing Resolutions in the amounts of \$112,500.00 and \$174,459.40 were submitted.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the resolutions as submitted be approved and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, O'Malley, Wyman, Vaughan, O'Brien and Greenwood.

SALE OF LAND CROWS NEST DRIVE ✓

December 10, 1956.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date decided to recommend that two lots of land on Crows Nest Drive be advertised for sale by tender.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor: "I had a talk with the Chairman of the Point Pleasant Park Commission. The Park gave up a sliver of land and in exchange for that the two lots came back from the developers and the title is in the City of Halifax. He felt the money should go back to the Park Commission. I feel quite unbound that I need such verbal direction."

Alderman O'Brien stated he had the minutes of the Park Commission dated May 16, 1952 which dealt with this matter.

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

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Greenwood that the matter be deferred until the City Departments have been circulated with the minutes and a report brought back to Council.

Amendment passed with Alderman Dunlop wishing to be recorded against.

HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS SETTLEMENT ✓

December 10, 1956

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date,

December 13, 1956.

agreed to recommend for acceptance offers from the Royal Canadian Naval Benevolent Fund to settle the following hospital accounts:

1. Lawrence A. Claxton - \$54.00 in full settlement of an account for \$77.00
2. Francis Myers - \$145.00 in full settlement of an account for \$207.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

SPRING GARDEN ROAD PARKING LOT ✓

December 10, 1956.

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 Spring Garden Road Area Business Men's Association to have the following rates established for the off-street parking lot on the Bellevue Property:

- (1) .25 for the first two hours and .10 for each additional hour.
- (2) \$2.50 per week or \$100.00 annually for weekly parkers subject to cancellation on one weeks notice.

It was agreed to recommend that the above rates be approved and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute an agreement on behalf of the City with the Halifax Board of Trade for the operation of the parking lot.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

TAXES ON UNFINISHED BUILDINGS OTHERWISE TAX EXEMPT WHEN COMPLETED ✓

December 10, 1956.

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 legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to grant tax exemption to the following:-

- (1) Shaar Shalom Congregation, on property at the North East corner of Oxford and Pepperell Streets for the year 1955
- (2) Baron de Hirsch Congregation, on property on Oxford Street for the year 1956.

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(3) Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation (St. Thomas Aquinas) on property at the North East Corner of Oxford Street and Jubilee Road for the year 1956.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

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

DRESS OF POLICE OFFICERS ON TRAFFIC DUTY ✓

In reply to a question from Alderman O'Malley Chief Mitchell advised that the sum of \$1,100.00 has been put in the 1957 estimates for the above purposes with a view of issuing each man with his special equipment for such duty. They have ordered webb belts.

Alderman O'Malley asked if another color coat could be supplied the men rather than the dark one as he is hard to see on dark nights until a car is a very short distance away.

The Chief felt that the belts would be sufficient.

Alderman Greenwood suggested a spot light be focused on the men.

The Chief replied that the City Electrician has supplied additional lighting.

Alderman Wyman asked if it were the Chief's intention to provide a type of protective clothing for the Constable who occasionally directs traffic to which the Chief replied that it will be part of his regular equipment.

RENTAL CONTROL ✓

December 13, 1956.

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

At a meeting of the Rental Control Committee held this evening consideration was given to the matter of Rental Control Extension and the Regulations pertaining thereto.

Your Committee recommends that Rental Control on the present basis be extended to April 30, 1957 and that legislation be sought at the next session of the Legislature which would permit the City to carry on Rental Control along the lines as contained in a report from the City Solicitor dated October 30, 1956.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

December 13, 1956.

To: Alderman J.G. DeWolf, Chairman of Rental Control Sub-Committee.
From: Carl P. Bethune, Q.C., City Solicitor.
Date: October 30, 1956.

At the last meeting of your Sub-committee several matters were considered and I think decided upon as recommendations to the City Council. These were:

- (1) to advance the date for the fixing of maximum rentals from April 30, 1956.
- (2) to provide for the filing of an agreement as to rental initially charged for premises constructed subsequent to April 30, 1951, the amount of rental set out in such agreement to become the maximum rental.
- (3) provision of an appeal from the Rental Authority to the Magistrate this appeal to be final appeal.
- (4) obnoxious or objectionable tenants to be subject to summary notice to vacate.
- (5) a suggestion that a provision be inserted in the By-Law to enable either party to apply to the Rental Authority for a fixation of rent without the necessity of notifying the other party, but providing that if the rent fixed by the Rental Authority pursuant to such application was not satisfactory to the other party then that party upon being notified, may request a hearing before the Rental Authority at which both parties may be present and present their views.
- (6) It was also decided that the provisions for evicting obnoxious tenants be made applicable to roomers as well as to self-contained premises.

I do not think that it is possible to advance the date for the fixation of maximum rentals from April 30, 1951 to April 30, 1956, without an amendment to the Housing and Rentals Act, Chapter 10 of the Acts of 1951. This Act is very limited in its application and specifically fixes April 30, 1951, as the date at which the maximum rental is to be established.

From a careful reading of this Act it would certainly appear that it was not intended to apply to housing accommodation which was not being rented on April 30, 1951. The purpose of the Act was, I think, to protect persons who were tenants on that date and any person becoming a tenant after that date would be able by negotiation to protect himself as to the rental to be paid. The Act itself was obviously to be of a temporary nature and has been extended from year to year since its enactment.

For this reason property not rented on April 30th, 1951, and property which became rented subsequent to April 30th, 1951, would not appear to be subject to control by a by-law enacted under Chapter 10 of the Acts of 1951. This would include what has been referred to as "new construction". A substantial amendment to the Act would be necessary to accomplish this purpose.

As to the provision of an appeal from the Rental Authority to the Stipendiary Magistrate, this is a new type of appeal and so far as I know is not provided in any other case. There is no appeal procedure laid down in any statute and such a procedure would have to be prescribed. I would consider that the present appeal provided by the Act, namely to the County Court, is the normal method and is safeguarded by definite procedure which is well known. In any case, the provision of such an appeal would require an amendment to the Act

December 13, 1956.

The provisions mentioned by the Committee regarding obnoxious or objectionable tenants and the giving of summary notice to vacate would also require an amendment to Section 8 of the Act, and we cannot provide in the By-Law anything that is not authorized in general words by the enabling statute.

Since the majority of the suggestions made require somewhat comprehensive amendments to the Rentals Act, I suggest that, if the Committee feels that rental control should continue beyond November 30, 1956, the present regulations be continued until we find whether the proposed changes can be implemented.

Yours very truly,

Cari P. Bethune,
CITY SOLICITOR.

City Solicitor: "The provisions of the Act are not sufficiently wide enough to do any more than what we are doing at the present time. It was put in for one year."

Aldermen O'Brien: "I realize the difficulty the Solicitor has mentioned in making changes. There was a majority who felt that we should seek the kind of legislation which would permit the City to operate controls in an amended form along the Solicitor's letter. We would be able to have obnoxious tenants put out and houses and buildings erected since 1951 would be covered. Those details were not finalized by the Committee. We thought we would ask the Province to amend its Act and give us the power to make an Ordinance for Rent Control. The view of the Committee was to ask the Province to provide legislation in whichever form it chose."

His Worship the Mayor: "Do you have any period?"

Alderman O'Brien: "Until such time as the housing conditions in the Metropolitan Area of Halifax is such that the pressure is off the City proper. Dr. Stephenson feels very strongly that there is a lack of housing for low income families in the Metropolitan area."

His Worship the Mayor: "If you base it on that reasoning then I suggest to you that you will never see it because in the last 10 or 15 years the population surrounding Halifax has sharply increased. A large percentage of these people would prefer to live in the City of Halifax because of their jobs being in the City. I don't think you are ever going to see the pressure off for the desire to live in Halifax."

Alderman Dunlop: "I will say without fear of contradiction that Rental Control has never provided one additional housing unit. It is not Rental Control

To: His Worship, L. A. Kitz, and
Members of City Council,

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

Date: December 11, 1956

Subject: Monthly Administrative Report for November, 1956

1. Electrician's Department

313 wiring inspections made, permit income	\$558.12
Revenue from Wireman's Examinations	39.00
" " " Licenses	25.00
5 new lights replacing old railway bridge lights at Oakland Road, Quinpool Road and Marlborough Woods	

2. Building Permits

	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>VALUE</u>
Dwellings, new	9	\$106,000.00
Garages, new	7	5,400.00
Commercial, new	3	724,175.00
Dwellings, repairs	125	37,263.00
Garages, repairs	13	2,545.00
Commercial, repairs	39	142,655.00
Institutional, repairs	3	1,100.00
	<u>199</u>	<u>\$ 1,019,138.00</u>
Building Inspection Fees		\$1,361.30
Plumbing Permit Fees		<u>147.60</u> \$1,508.90

3. Streets and Sewers

Square yards of streets graded	55,964
Tons of hot patch used on paved streets	336
" " " " stoned & oiled streets	20
Cubic yards of material used on streets	1,975
No. of square yards of sidewalk repairs	274
Lineal feet of curb and gutter repairs	195
Number of new street signs	38
" " " " maintained	46
" sewers cleared and cleaned	8
" catchpits repaired	6
" " constructed	7
" " cleaned	113
" manholes repaired	18
" junctions installed	31
Miles of streets swept by hand	291
" " " mechanical sweepers	774
Lineal feet of new sewer	255

4. Garbage

2,523 tons of garbage and refuse were collected of which 623 tons were burned together with 2,051 tons of privately collected materials. Total amount processed 2,674 tons with incinerator in operation 420 hours.

houses completely paid	368
current Accounts	<u>444</u>
Balance number of houses	812
Mortgages Receivable, Oct. 31, 1956	\$1,020,467.02
Nov. 30, 1956	<u>1,007,279.12</u>
Decreased during month	\$ 13,187.90
Borrowing October 31, 1956	301,952.48
November 30, 1956	<u>291,691.41</u>
Borrowing decreased	10,261.07
Balance of some months in arrears	\$14,436.16

Being A concrete - concrete street standard -
 Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St. \$20.77

Project	Started	Total Feet to Date	Completed
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	5/18/56	1030'	99%
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	11/16/56	50'	5%

Project	Started	Completed
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	7/12/56	11/26/56
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	9/19/56	11/12/56
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	10/25/56	70%

Project	Started	Completed
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	10/16/56	11/3/56
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	10/31/56	11/20/56
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	11/3/56	11/6/56
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	11/12/56	11/19/56
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	11/25/56	11/29/56

Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St. graded and gravelled - approx-
 1000' x 10' x 10' feet.

Project	Started	Completed
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	7/31/56	100%
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	8/2/56	100%
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	8/7/56	100%
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	8/7/56	100%
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	8/14/56	100%
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	8/31/56	100%
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	9/4/56	100%
Concrete street standard - Galtrop Rd. & Windsor St.	9/4/56	100%

City of Chicago - Dept. of Public Works

Street	Prop.	Side	Length	Side	Total Length	Work	Started	Comp.
W. Adams	Reed	North	900'	E	900'	S. & S.	9/7/56	100%
W. Belmont	East	West	775'	E	1550'	C. & G.	10/13/56	100%
W. Chicago	East	West	250'	E	500'	C. & G. S. & S.	9/26/56	100%
W. Commercial	High	West	230'	S	230'	S. & S.	10/30/56	100%
W. Dearborn	Ashburn	West	525'	B	1050'	C. & G. S. & S.	9/19/56	99%
W. Erie	North	West	830'	B	1660'	C. & G. S. & S.	7/27/56	90%
W. Franklin	West	East	575'	B	1150'	C. & G. S. & S.	8/28/56	98%
W. Grand	East	West	450'	E	450'	C. & G. S. & S.	11/16/56	95%
W. Harrison	East	West	400'	W	400'	C. & G.	11/16/56	95%

A. A. Seebard Jr.

City Manager

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unless you set up a Police system. You must have prosecutions, fines and put people in jail. To set up a special system for the City of Halifax is going to cost us \$50,000.00 to \$100,000.00 a year. If we need Rental Control, Dartmouth does also. I don't believe Rental Control is the answer. I would like to see the Committee's Report and proposed legislation and how it is to be worked out. I would suggest that we continue until April 30, 1957 and let the Province determine whether they will renew the Act."

Alderman DeWolf: "I think Rental Control is a very debatable question. How many people are complaining against rents that are being charged? I think there were 11 complaints per month and that is not enough to keep Rental Control on. In its present form I consider it no good."

It was moved in amendment by Alderman Ferguson, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that this report along with that of the City Solicitor be circularized among the Aldermen and come before the next meeting of Council and in the meantime Rental Control be continued as it is. Amendment passed.

APPLICATION TO REZONE FORD PROPERTY CONNAUGHT AVENUE ✓

Application referred to the Town Planning Board for a report.

CITY MANAGER'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT FOR NOVEMBER

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

Copies of the report were furnished the members of the Council prior to the Council meeting.

FILED

APPROVALS DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

The following approvals from the Department of Municipal Affairs were reported:

1. Ordinance #51. "Abatement of Smoke and Other Atmospheric Pollution".
2. By-Law respecting Electric Wiring.
3. Borrowing \$532,450.00 Purchase of Stock.
4. Borrowing \$18,000.00 Addition to Q.E.H.
5. Borrowing \$12,000.00 Addition to Oxford Street School.
6. Amendment to Ordinance #2 Rules of Order of Council.

FILED

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TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF NOVEMBER 1956

CIVIC YEAR	RESERVES	O/S BALANCE OCTOBER 1956	NEW ACCOUNTS & ADJUSTMENTS	NOVEMBER COLLECTIONS	O/S BALANCE NOVEMBER 1956
1954	74,309.85	176,302.56	Cr. 6.98	12,154.51	164,148.05
1955	68,123.19	364,919.41	Dr. 376.97	12,258.11	352,660.44
1956	83,040.92	1,031,833.30	Dr. 1,510.49	127,463.50	904,369.81
			1,572,985.27	Dr. 1,880.43	1,571,104.84
Tax Years Prior to 1954 (covered by reserves)				2,701.57	
				<u>153,408.59</u>	

POLL TAXES

1954	16,122.53	Dr.	16.00	154.71	16,067.82
1955	9,478.56			331.12	9,147.44
1956	11,561.25	Dr.	40.00	1,006.37	10,555.13

Poll Taxes other than listed above

1,434.11
111.48
1,545.59

Total Collections in November 1956
Total Collections in November 1955

160,960.43
150,771.60

Current Taxes Collected Jan. 1st. to November 30, 1956

6,393,601.57

Corresponding Period 1955

6,317,511.40

Tax Arrears Collected Jan. 1st. to November 30, 1956

728,151.83

Corresponding Period 1955

621,711.13

Poll Tax Collections Jan. 1st. to November 30, 1956

111,111.11

Corresponding Period 1955

111,111.11

7,231,065.00 7,220,144.04

AMOUNT COLLECTED
Jan. 1st to November 30, 1956

Tax Levy 1956	7,215,280.21	6,393,601.57	88.11
Tax Levy 1955	7,437,406.78	6,435,111.11	86.41
Tax Arrears January 1st 1956	1,293,653.31	728,151.83	56.28
Tax Arrears January 1st 1955	1,119,041.92	621,711.13	55.55
Total Collections to Nov. 30th, 1956		7,231,065.00	86.41
Total Collections to Nov. 30th, 1955		7,110,734.57	81.71

Respectfully submitted:

H.R. McDonald
CHIEF ACCOUNTANT

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REPORT RE: ASSESSMENT APPEALS

The City Solicitor advised that the assessment on the Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation had been further reduced to \$160,000.00 due to a decision handed down by the Judge of the County Court.

The City Solicitor also advised that the Assessment Appeal by Mr. Peter Seeley (Georgian Building) had been dismissed by His Honour Judge G.M. Morrison of the County Court.

FILED

CHANGE IN TROLLEY COACH STOPS

The City Solicitor advised of the following change in trolley coach stops:

BARRINGTON STREET - EAST SIDE

15' south of South Line of Dockyard Bridge.

is changed to

BARRINGTON STREET - EAST SIDE

15' North of North line of Dockyard Bridge and extending 20' north.

FILED

Moved by Alderman Vaughn, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 11:40 P.M.

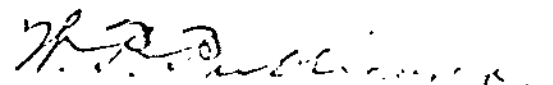
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L.A. Kitz,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.


W.P. PUBLICOVER,
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION
SPECIAL MEETING

City Court Chamber,
Brunswick Street,
Halifax, N.S.,
December 27, 1956,
8:00 P.M.

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

After the meeting was called to order 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, Abbott, Dunlop, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, Wyman, Vaughan, O'Brien and Greenwood.

Also present were Messrs, A.A. DeBard, Jr., W.P. Publicover, R.H. Stoddard, T.C. Doyle, J.L. Leitch, J.F. Thomson, G.F. West, V.W. Mitchell and Dr. A.R. Morton.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Election Returns.
2. Appointments: (a) Safety Committee
(b) Works Committee
(c) Town Planning Board
(d) Rental Control Committee
(e) Vocational Educational Board
(f) Governing Board Halifax Infirmary
3. 1957 Estimates.

ELECTION RETURNS ✓

Office of the City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.,
December 20, 1956.

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

Agreeably to the provisions of the Halifax City Charter and Acts and Amendments thereto in respect to the Election of Aldermen for the City of Halifax, I herewith submit the original Nomination papers of Joseph F. Cantwell James L. Connolly, Arthur C. Hawkins and John E. Lloyd for the office of Alderman for Ward No. 5 to fill the vacancy caused by Alderman John E. Ahern vacating his seat on becoming a member of the Legislative Assembly of Nova Scotia, together with the Polling Books containing the returns of the Presiding Officers of the several Polling Places in the said Ward for the election of Alderman held on the 19th day of December, A.D., 1956.

The said returns showing as follows:

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<u>ELECTION FOR ALDERMAN</u>	<u>JOSEPH F. CANTWELL</u>	<u>JAMES L. CONNOLLY</u>	<u>ARTHUR C. HAWKINS</u>	<u>JOHN E. LLOYD</u>
Advance Poll	1	--	--	--
Multiple Voters	54	59	17	94
Section A-1	53	34	24	38
" A-2	75	43	15	43
" B-1	57	28	20	41
" B-2	30	42	25	41
" C-1	47	33	15	44
" C-2	31	31	8	51
" D	<u>66</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>89</u>
TOTALS	414	312	145	441

Majority for John E. Lloyd over Joseph F. Cantwell - 27
Majority for John E. Lloyd over James L. Connolly - 129
Majority for John E. Lloyd over Arthur C. Hawkins - 296

Majority for Joseph F. Cantwell over James L. Connolly - 102
Majority for Joseph F. Cantwell over Arthur C. Hawkins - 269

Majority for James L. Connolly over Arthur C. Hawkins - 167

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

The City Clerk thereupon declared Mr. J.E. Lloyd duly elected Alderman for Ward No. 5 of the City of Halifax for the term expiring October 31, 1958.

His Worship the Mayor then administered the Oaths of Allegiance and Office of Alderman to Alderman Lloyd congratulated him on his victory and welcomed him back to Council.

Alderman Lloyd then signed the Aldermanic Roll and took his seat in Council.

LEVEE COUNCIL CHAMBER ✓

His Worship the Mayor mentioned the fact that it was his wish to hold a New Year's Levee in the Council Chamber and that several of the Aldermen appeared to be quite keen about it. He asked if the Council favored it or not.

Alderman Vaughan advised that when the City Hall was opened in 1891 the Mayor and Aldermen were at home on that day.

Alderman Dunlop: "If it is going to be a Mayor's levee it should be up to the Mayor to decide."

His Worship the Mayor: "If it is started it may be continued and that is why I don't want to do it on my own volition. I would do it in the name of the Council".

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Alderman DeWolf: "I think it would be a very good move. Halifax is a City where these levees are largely attended."

Alderman Greenwood expressed himself in favor of such a move and felt it would be in keeping with the dignity of Council.

The matter was left with His Worship the Mayor to finalize.

8:15 P.M. Alderman Lane arrives.

APPOINTMENT TO COMMITTEES ✓

It was agreed that Alderman Lloyd be appointed to the following Committees and Boards.

1. Safety Committee
2. Works Committee
3. Town Planning Board
4. Rental Control Committee
5. Vocational Educational Board

It was agreed that His Worship the Mayor be appointed to the Governing Board of the Halifax Infirmary.

1957 ESTIMATES ✓

The estimates for 1957 were submitted amounting to \$11,764,592.37 as compared to \$10,936,203.92 for 1956.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City had committed itself to a large capital expenditure program over the last 10 years and there was not very much that could be done about the debt service charges on same. He felt the current commitments would have to be cut heavily.

8:20 P.M. Alderman O'Malley arrives.

Alderman Dunlop: "We have a City Manager in our employ. I presume he presented a budget for the services he thinks are required. That is what we have him for."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think it is up to the Manager to bring forward the proposal certainly cutting them down where he thinks they should be cut down but ultimately the responsibility is ours. It is up to us to decide how much the public will pay."

Alderman Lane: "I am glad to hear you say it is the responsibility of the Council and not one person. It was released to the press setting a tax rate before we got it."

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The City Manager stated that the copies for the press and radio were given them just tonight and that he believed the copy given to the press was by an Alderman.

His Worship the Mayor: "I think we should come to an understanding that when matters get into the hands of the Aldermen we should hold them until they are debated on the floor."

Alderman Dunlop: "It was on the radio a day before it got to the press on one particular station. A document of this size is bound to become public property. I see no reason for any great cause to be alarmed. The people might as well know. I think the press are to be commended and the radio also for the free publicity they gave us."

His Worship the Mayor: "Documents that are going to be discussed and debated in Council should not be released until they have hit the Council floor."

Alderman O'Malley: "I am concerned with the statements made by the City Manager with respect to his warning to the Aldermen on expenditures such as the non-essential items in the budget. I think we are entitled to hear from him which items he considers non-essential. As a member of this Council I don't feel that during my term in Council I ever voted for or supported items that were non-essential. I would like to hear from him on those items he considers non-essential."

The City Manager mentioned outdoor rinks and aquariums as he thought they were non-essential items. He also felt that Grants are out of all proportion.

Alderman O'Malley: "I am glad he had made reference to those. The reference in the statement of the Manager was to the effect that we have in the past budgetted for non-essentials. In respect to the grants I think the Manager covered those when he set forth the essentials when he stated those items that we were bound by legislative authority and I presume grants come in that category. What I am really interested in is that the public should not have any misunderstanding about these items we have budgetted for in the past. To my thinking it conveyed the wrong impression."

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Alderman O'Brien stated that after he had learned that a radio station had quoted verbatim from the budget he had loaned his copy to the newspaper. He considered it and felt it was a matter of timing and that it was a good thing for the public to know what was coming before Council. He accepted the blame for the press receiving the budget and apologized to Council for his action in this regard. He suggested that documents should have a release date on them.

City Manager: "I marked certain documents 'confidential' and I was criticized by a member of Council."

Alderman Greenwood: "In future I would suggest that copies be given to the press and radio when they are given to the Council."

Alderman Lloyd: "There are 2 or 3 things that I feel keenly about. I think I hold to the conviction that the City Manager is responsible to the Council and I think that as an auditor you in essence expressed a short time ago. I think in all of these matters his responsibility is to the Council. We are responsible to the public. The Manager is responsible to this Council and if he does not perform his duties as he should then the public hold us responsible. I think in the final analysis the responsibility of the Manager is to the City Council. With respect to the release of the budget. I think one point should be stressed very strongly; this is the opinion of the Manager and it has not received the consideration, attention or analysis of the City Council in any way, shape or form. Until we get the 1957 assessments, current surplus and other funds, I can't see how you can make a reasonable forecast. With respect to the release of documents; I think that is a very difficult thing to lay down a rule on. Where there is any doubt I think the matter should be left in the hands of the Mayor."

Alderman Lens: "The Board of School Commissioners have not passed their own budget as yet therefore consideration of that is still premature."

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

8.30 P.M. Council adjourned.

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9:15 P.M. Council reconvened the following members being present: His
Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald,
Fox, Ferguson, O'Malley, Lloyd, Wyman, Vaughan, O'Brien and Greenwood.

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

Meeting adjourned. 9:15 P.M.

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L.A. Kitz,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

W.P. PUBLICOVER,
CITY CLERK.

City Court Chamber,
Brunswick Street,
Halifax, N.S.,
December 27, 1956,
8:30 P.M.

A meeting of a Committee of the Whole Council was held on the above date.

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Dunlop, Macdonald, Fox, Ferguson, Wyman, Vaughan, O'Brien and Greenwood.

Also present were Messrs. A.H. DeBard, Jr., W.P. Publicover, A.H. Stoddard, T.C. Doyle, J.L. Leitch, J.F. Thomson, G.F. West, V.W. Mitchell and Dr. A.A. Morton.

ESTIMATES 1957

The estimates for 1957 were submitted amounting to \$11,754,592.37 as compared to \$10,935,203.92 for 1956.

Alderman DeWolf: "Am I correct to say that it is \$800,000.00 more than last year?"

City Manager: "You are wrong. It is \$1,500,000.00."

Alderman DeWolf: "There is one thing I want to point out. The Surplus is an amount of money paid the previous year that belongs to the tax payers. It is not something that has been accumulating year after year. It is caused because we overcharged the people and it should be used the following year. How much do we need: \$1,500,000.00 after taking off \$223,000.00? It is really \$1,775,000.00 we need. We are really digging in the dark until we have the assessment figures."

His Worship the Mayor: "I wonder if we are premature to ask the City Assessor the figures?"

City Assessor: "The staff is working on that now but I would not like to hazard a guess."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think it is much better to know ahead of time what your income is. I think a reasonable projection of the income could be made. I think we must have lost some revenue. That makes me concerned on the effect it has had on the surplus. That loss I can't see in these figures."

City Manager: "We have the figure in dollars."

City Assessor: "About \$301,000.00."

City Manager: "When we made our budget we took off 1% for the residential and took a little bit off that. On the commercial we took off 1% plus another amount and that brought us to an amount we thought we would have on commercial."

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Alderman Lloyd: "I think we can approach this budget much more realistically if we know within reasonable bounds what revenue we have to deal with."

His Worship the Mayor: "With the large increase before us it is most unlikely that our increased assessments will make much of a dent in them."

Alderman Dunlop: "I think we should rise until we have some figures before us. I think we should have the knowledge of where we stand with last year's figures."

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Abbott that this meeting do now adjourn.

Alderman Vaughan to His Worship the Mayor: "Would you through your office get figures with regard to income. Mr. Hicks said that his Government was holding out the promise that there would be an increase in the Provincial Grants. You gave us correspondence that there would be \$168,000.00 paid to the City for what we had lost by the Tax Rental Agreement. I think it would be helpful."

His Worship the Mayor: "Just this very day I took it upon myself to ask what the Province might do by way of an increased grant. I was unable to get anything of a categorical answer. The Minister indicated he would pass on a percentage increase which would be around \$50,000.00. I am told there has been some thought given to the Minister of Municipal Affairs holding a conference of the Mayors, and Wardens of the Province to discuss Municipal Grants. How soon that would come about I don't know. On the Insurance grants I can say those negotiations have gone on for years. This afternoon I wrote a note to the City Solicitor, who has been discussing those negotiations, to see if we could get it finalized before the budget is over."

City Manager: "The Education Grant is going up \$42,000.00."

Alderman Greenwood: "I have not had enough time to give proper study to this. How much time do we have before the tax rate is struck?"

Alderman Greenwood was advised that the tax rate was struck on March 1st.

His Worship the Mayor: "When you come to the Police and Fire Departments you might consider the sharp increase reflecting the change in hours. You might want to consider whether you want to do it this year or not."

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Alderman Vaughan: "As I understand it the appointments were made to take effect January 1, 1957. A number of these men have served notice on their present employers. Can those new employees be paid?"

City Manager: "The appointments were made by the Safety Committee subject to physical examinations. We decided the appointments would not be made until we considered this budget. It is \$85,000.00 if Council wants to backtrack on it. There are 14 men in the Police Department and 31 men in the Fire Department and certain other ones."

Alderman DeWolf: "I want to know how much money we are looking for before I say 'we can skip here'. We can do the number of streets depending on what is involved. If we knew what we wanted we could attack it much more intelligently. Without having something to aim at and finding out we chopped only three or four hundred thousand dollars. I would be disappointed."

His Worship the Mayor: "Mr. DeBard you made up this budget. Could you get information on (1) Assessment figures and (2) any other phase of income that we have not before us?"

City Manager: "It is really on the assessments and surplus. These departments can be looked at. I am going to hazard a guess that there is not much you can do with the budget. On page "G" you will see a comparison of the salary accounts. There is an increase for 1957 over 1956. There is not much you can do about those. There are no new employees in there. They are all working for us now. Unless you cut service you can't do anything about salaries. With respect to the Police Department there are 14 new men at \$45,000.00. The rest of the \$60,000.00 is there for people moving to another step. When you get to the City Home you remember the hours were 60 or 56 per week and they have been cut to 40. We have equalized the women with the men in salaries. We have laid out a Works program. Quite a bit was cut out by the City Manager doing exactly what Alderman Dunlop said. I think it is up to me. On salaries my hands are practically tied. They have been set by City Council and I must accept them. With respect to the firemen I suggested that nothing be done until the budget was presented. With respect to the 14 men in the Police Department, I have recommended them rather reluctantly. I think Chief Mitchell made a very good point on that. If there is not enough money something may have to come out. Whatever you Aldermen give us we will do the very best we can with it. We will put the money in the place which requires the service the most."

Alderman DeWolf: "The Vocational High School; I would like to know what agreement we had in connection with them. We had agreed to pay \$90,000.00 a year. I would like to know the original agreement on that. It is creeping up considerably."

His Worship the Mayor: "We just can't sit on our hands faced with an increase of residential rates something in the nature of 60 or 70 percent. There are certain things we can do."

City Manager: "Whatever change was made with respect to the expenditures has always been brought to the Council. Your Vocational High School is going to cost you \$143,000.00 a year. We used all that was in the kitty."

Alderman DeWolf: "We should also have the status of the Sinking Funds explored."

His Worship the Mayor: "Mr. Thomson, am I correct in assuming that based on the number of successful appeals that you have lowered your assessment in the general easterly part of the City and your assessments are going to reflect a lower figure because of that fact?" You took that as a guide for the other properties in the area. Will that not lower your figure?"

The City Assessor stated that where they lost on Water St. and streets in the area they made up on Quinpool Road, Gottingen and other streets.

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

FOR THE MOTION

- Alderman Abbott
- Dunlop
- Lane
- Macdonald
- Fox
- Ferguson
- O'Malley
- Lloyd
- Wynan
- Jaugnan
- Greenwood
- DeWolf

AGAINST IT

- Alderman O'Brien

- 12 -

- 1 -

Meeting adjourned 9:15 P.M.

*W. P. ...
City Clerk*

L.A. Ritz,
TAYLOR AND CHAMBERLAIN