

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 1959

A G E N D A

Prayer.

Minutes May 25 as amended & June 11, 1959.

1. Convalescent Hospital Budget.
2. Retirements:
  - (a) Mr. Frank Higgins \$1,093.90 - 316 WCF
  - (b) Mr. Edward S. McGrath \$984.39 - 316 WCF
3. Widow's Pension Mrs. Florence McDonald - \$360.00 - 316 WCF
4. City Court.
5. Accounts over \$500.00.
6. Departmental Re-organization.
7. Visiting Days City Prison.
8. Legislation - Section 512 City Charter.
9. Settlement of Claims - Army & Navy Benevolent Funds.
10. S.P.C. Agreements (Deferred in Committee)
11. Burgaries - Five (5) City Nurses.
12. Purchase Police Car.
13. Request to Rezone - West Side of Barrington St. (Cornwallis St. to Gerrish St)  
(R-3 to C-2) Refused.
14. Request to Convert from Single Family Dwelling to Duplex - 14 Greent St. Refused.
15. Resubdivision - Bellevue Avenue (Recommended)
16. Resubdivision - Garrick St. "
17. Resubdivision - Edinburgh St. "
18. Resubdivision - Young St. at Kempt Rd. "
19. Request to rezone 118 Stairs St. R-2 to C-2 (Refused)
20. Survey - Bridge Across the North West Arm.
21. Notice of Intention to Espropriate - Mulgrave Park Housing Project.
22. Acquisition Properties Industrial Mile Area - Arthur Pemberton \$2,348.00  
Florence David \$ 509.12
23. Acquisition of Land from Halifax Relief Commission - Veith Street
24. Collector's Office Open Friday Nights till 8:00 P.M.
25. Chain of Dimes Project - Y.M.C.A. - November 20, 1959.
26. War Memorial Regional Library.
27. Confirmatory Deed - A.G. Cooper - Falkland Street.
28. Auctioneer's License - Mr. Philip Cox - 585 Barrington Street.
29. Acting City Solicitor.
30. Termination Date Superannuation Payments 1945 to 1950 - Legislation.
31. Amendment to Regulations Halifax County Vocational High School Re: Teachers & Department Heads Salaries.
32. New Agreement Halifax County Vocational High School.
33. Letter Lions Club Re: Tennis Court Conrose Field.
34. Report Redevelopment Committee.
35. Reception of Petitions and Delegations.
36. Resolution County Council Re: Rental Inquiry.
37. Progress Payment Incinerator \$4,637.25. Mersif and Eddy.
38. Account Mulgrave Park Housing Project \$9,274.00
39. Questions.

INFORMATION ITEMS ONLY

1. Fall Tax Collections to June 30, 1959 .
2. Administrative Report for July
3. Appropriations.

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Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
August 13, 1959,  
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, 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, Ferguson, Fox, Lloyd, Connolly, Greenwood and O'Brien.

Also present were Messrs. A. A. DeBard, Jr., T.C. Doyle, Dr. A.R. Morton, L.M. Ronkey, L. Mitchell, V.W. Mitchell, G.F. West, A. Abraham, K.M. Connich, A.P. Flynn, A. Gray, R.H. Stoddard, W.J. Clancey, H.K. Randall and Miss Mary Dee MacPherson.

QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE - ALDERMAN DUNLOP

Alderman Dunlop requested permission to address Council in reply to a letter inserted in the press by Alderman O'Brien concerning teachers' salaries which has reference to Alderman Dunlop.

It was decided that the matter would be considered during the question period.

MINUTES MAY 25 AS AMENDED AND JUNE 11, 1959

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Dunlop, that the minutes of May 25 as amended and June 11, 1959 be approved. Motion passed.

CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL BUDGET

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on July 30, 1959 a report was considered from the Commissioner of Health in which he submitted a new budget for the Convalescent Hospital as required by the Hospital Insurance Commission.

Your Committee recommends that the salary scales for the following classifications be approved effective as of August 1, 1959:

	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
Registered Nurse	\$215.00	\$230.00
Certified Nurse	190.00	205.00
Head Nurse	242.00	255.00
Night Supervisor	253.00	264.00
Nursing Assistant II	180.00	190.00
Nursing Assistant I	135.00	150.00

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Nurses employed previous to this date will be paid under the old scale. Funds for same have been provided in the current estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Lloyd requested an explanation as to why the salary scales were to be lower than those presently paid.

His Worship the Mayor: "The principle reason for the difference is because we had no general hospital nurses. We had only nurses in the Infectious Diseases Hospital, Tuberculosis Hospital and the former City Home. It is generally the custom apparently to pay higher rates in these kinds of institutions as distinct from the general hospital staff. When Dr. Morton was setting up his Convalescent Hospital staff he naturally carried over the existing salary structure but the Province would not agree to that because they said this was not for specialized hospital work but only for general hospital work."

Alderman Lloyd referred to the possibility of a change in salary of Registered Nurses and asked the Commissioner of Health if he had heard anything about it.

Dr. Morton: "The Registered Nurses Association, at their annual meeting last month, requested an overall increase in the rates for private duty nurses."

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

RETIREMENT - MR. FRANK HIGGINS \$1,093.90 - 316 "GN"

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that Mr. Frank C. Higgins has requested retirement as of August 31, 1959 at which time he will have served the City for 25 years and 8 months but he was ineligible to join the superannuation plan due to age.

Under Section 46-5 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1956, he may receive 75% of the amount he would have been entitled to receive had he become a member

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of the plan and contributed for the entire period of his employment. His total service benefits would have amounted to \$1,458.54 per annum. 75% of this amount would give him an annual allowance of \$1,093.90 effective as of September 1, 1959.

Your Committee recommends that Mr. Frank C. Higgins be retired at an annual allowance of \$1,093.90 effective as of September 1, 1959 and that the funds be provided under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

RETIREMENT - MR. EDWARD S. McGRATH - \$584.39 - 316 "C"

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959, a report was submitted from Commissioner of Finance advising that Mr. Edward S. McGrath retired from the Works Department on June 24, 1959 after serving the City for 32 years but was ineligible to join the Superannuation Plan because of age.

Under Section 45 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, he may receive 75% of the amount he would have been entitled to receive had he been a member of the Plan and contributed for the entire period of his employment.

His total service benefits would have amounted to \$779.18 per annum. 75% of this amount would give him an allowance of \$584.39 effective as of July 1, 1959.

Your Committee recommends that Mr. McGrath be retired at an annual allowance of \$584.39 effective as of July 1, 1959 and that the funds be provided under authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

WIDOW'S PENSION - MRS. FLORENCE McDONALD - \$360.00 - 316 "C"

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that Mrs. Florence McDonald, widow of the late Ronald J. McDonald, watchman at the City Field, be granted financial assistance under Section 310-H-2 of the City Charter in the amount of \$360.00 per annum effective as of July 1, 1959.



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Your Committee desires in this recommendation, funds to be provided under the authority of Section 336 "G" of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

CITY COURT

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 a report was submitted from the City Manager listing receipts and expenditures of the City Civil and Police Courts in which he suggested that until the Province provides prison facilities, that all revenues from the Court be paid to the City with the exception of payment to the Province of the amount they pay to the Magistrate and Crown Prosecutor.

Your Committee recommends that His Worship the Mayor confer with the Attorney General on this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$100.00

To: His Worship, C.A. Vaughan, and  
Members of City Council.

From: City Manager V.A. LeBard, Jr.

Date: August 11, 1959.

Subject: Accounts over \$100.00

In accordance with Section 118 of the City Charter, the following accounts are submitted for Council approval. These accounts have been certified and audited.

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>VEHICLE</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Finance (Stores)	L. Leard for yth Cases Insured	Plywood	\$1,627.16
	L.B. Shaw Ltd.	Concrete Pipe	827.57
Finance	R.K. Bell & Co. Ltd	Comprehensive Ins.	548.14
	Simpson-Hurst Limited	Prefab Insee.	1,344.00

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Works	Francis J. Harkin	Demolitions	\$1,450.00
	The Halifax Seed Company	Mowers	\$1,006.82
	Northern Electric	Traffic Light Heads, Lens & Tie Rods	\$1,250.84
	Public Service Commission	Operating & Maintain- ing Arm Sewer Chlorin- ator for June/59	\$ 944.77
	Victor Adding Machine Co.	Calculator	\$ 44.27
City Home	J. & M. Murphy Limited	Face Cloths, Bath Towels, Twill Tape, Briefs, Tops, Pants, Pyjamas & House Dresses	617.93
Tourist Bureau	Stevenson & Scott Limited	3000 French Version of "Welcome to Halifax"	608.53
			<u>\$10,870.03</u>

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

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

#### DEPARTMENT RE-ORGANIZATION

A report was submitted from the City Manager dated June 3, 1959 concerning suggested changes in the Department organization of the City of Halifax as well as the elimination of the standing Committees excepting the Safety Committee. Other proposed changes were submitted pertaining to the Commissions. He urges that the title of "Director" be used in place of "Commissioner" for those who are administrative-appointed employees of the City.

Copies of the report were furnished the members of Council prior to this meeting.

City Managers "That was a report that I prepared before I went away. I have said a lot of things in the report and I think perhaps I might sum it up in this way. Wherever there is an administrative activity, I think that Council has a better control, and I have a better control if it works directly under me rather than under a separate Commission. I am not looking for more work but, actually, I think if it were directly under me, that I would have less work than I do have under the present circumstances

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than with a separate commission with somebody working under them doing administrative work. I would still have contact with them but the contacts are quite far removed and always have to go back to that Commission with some kind of approval even though it is an administrative matter. So, as far as the administrative activity is concerned, I think we would be moving in the right direction if they come directly under the City Manager because that way they would come more directly under Council. As far as the Commissions themselves are concerned, as policy making bodies, I think that is up to the Aldermen to decide whether they serve a useful function as a separate Commission or not. Somebody has to make the policy. I can't make it and people who would be working with me can't make it. It has to be somebody like a commission or the Aldermen so, the Aldermen have to determine whether they want to make the policy directly or if they still want to have the separate Commission make the policy. The disadvantage of the Commission making the policy is that they come up with a program which is translated into dollars and then I think the Council is put in the position of pretty well having to say 'yes, we'll spend that money', or else, they say in effect 'well you have done a good job but we can't find the money.' I think a great deal of work goes into the preparation of this program by such a Commission when it is really almost a waste of time from the beginning because Council in many cases is probably unable to find the money. I could speak specifically about that with respect to programs but I don't want to pick out any particular Commission and talk about its program mainly because I might be jeopardizing its chances of consideration by this Council when it comes here."

Alderman Lloyd: "Has this been to the Finance and Executive Committee?"

City Manager: "No. It was addressed directly to Council. I might say that the reason that I re-initiated this was that at one of the Works Meetings, a question came up as to procedure why people had to run all over the City Hall in connection with permits for buildings, plumbing and electrical and so on, and I said we tried to remedy that some time ago but

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the Council didn't take to it. The Alderman said, 'I was not in Council. I would like to have it reviewed again.' That is the reason I thought I would bring the whole matter before Council again."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Dunlop, that this matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for further examination. Motion passed.

VISITING DAYS CITY PRISON

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on August 6, 1959 a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending changes in the visiting hours at the City Prison.

Your Committee recommends that visiting be permitted on the second and fourth Fridays of the month from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. as well as 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and that Section 21 of Ordinance #8 be amended accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

City Solicitor: "I would like to have this deferred as there is a lot of work that has to be done."

Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the matter be deferred. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION SECTION 512 CITY CHARTER

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: August 3, 1959.

Subject: Legislation - Section 512 of City Charter.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on July 21, 1959, considered a report from the Commissioner of Works requesting that a recommendation be forwarded to City Council for the repeal and substitution of Sub-section (1) of Section 512 of the City Charter.

The Committee approved the report and referred it to the first meeting of City Council to be held in August.

Respectfully submitted,

A.R. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

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To: His Worship Mayor Vaughan and  
Members of the Committee on Works.  
From: G.F. West, Commissioner of Works.  
Date: July 7th, 1959.  
Subject: Legislation - Section 512 of the City Charter.

Section 512 Sub-section (1) of the City Charter presently reads as follows:

"The Council may by Ordinance assign to any Officer of the City any of the duties imposed upon the Commissioner of Works by the Act and upon coming into effect of such Ordinance and notwithstanding the provisions of this Act such duties shall thereupon and thereafter be performed by the Officer so designated in such Ordinance instead of by the Commissioner of Works in the same manner and to the same extent as if such duties had been imposed upon such Officer by the provisions of this Act."

It is difficult for one to fully appreciate the composition of the above Sub-section because:

1. No other office or officer in the Administration is legislated in such a manner.
2. The present wording could be interpreted to mean that a Commissioner of Works could hold office while his duties and responsibilities were assigned to an unqualified person.
3. The present Sub-section contradicts Section 515 of the Charter which states that:

"The person appointed Commissioner of Works shall at the time of his appointment be a Registered Professional Engineer, etc."

It is felt that when sections of the Charter conflict, Council should be made aware of it and appropriate recommendations submitted for remedial action.

The matter is before you for consideration at this time with a request that a recommendation be forwarded to City Council to repeal Sub-section (1) of Section 512 and substitute it with:

"In this part of the Act wherever the words, Engineer, Inspector or Commissioner of Works appears the same shall mean the Commissioner of Works and Buildings acting personally or through duly authorized assistants."

This change would be consistent with the wording of all City of Halifax Works Department Specifications and would give the Commissioner of Works better control over the activities of the Department.

G.F. West,  
Commissioner of Works.

City Manager: That is something which concerns Mr. West and while I am not opposed to it I would like to talk with him about it because if we are going to make a change we should be careful that we don't have a similar situation somewhere else in the Charter. I would ask that it be deferred tonight.

The matter was then deferred.

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SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS - ARMY & NAVY BENEVOLENT FUNDS

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 reports were submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending settlement of the following Hospital Accounts through the Army and Navy Benevolent Funds:

<u>ACCOUNT</u>	<u>OFFER</u>
\$975.00	\$435.00
\$129.00	\$438.00

The Commissioner advised that he had investigated both accounts and was of the opinion that the City should accept the offers.

Your Committee recommends that the offer be accepted in full settlement and the balance written off.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

S.P.C. AGREEMENT

Deferred in Committee.

BURSARIES - FIVE CITY NURSES

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee, held on August 6, 1959, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending that five (5) nurses be granted leave of absence to take their Public Health Nursing course at Dalhousie School of Nursing starting in September.

The nurses are: Misses Elizabeth Agnes Campbell, Joan Kathleen Blake, Elizabeth Anne Lerdy, Virginia Ruth Worth and Elaine Clark.

He further recommended that the necessary Agreement be executed by the Mayor and City Clerk on behalf of the City.

Your Committee concurs in these recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

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PURCHASE POLICE CARS

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date quotations were considered for the replacement of a Police Car recently damaged in an accident.

Your Committee recommends that a new car be purchased from the Halifax Dodge DeSoto Ltd. for the price of \$1,200.00 plus trade-in. Funds for same are provided in the current estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor: "The Chief of Police canvassed the other dealers with respect to quotations for repairs and also replacements. The Halifax Dodge DeSoto Ltd. was the lowest quoting repair and replacements. We are recommending replacement at \$1,200.00."

Alderman Lloyds: "Do we carry collision insurance?"

Chief of Police: "No. The cost would be approximately \$4,000.00 per year."

Alderman Lloyds: "This particular accident, is this the one that occurred outside of the City?"

His Worship the Mayor: "No. This is the one where a constable unfortunately fell asleep and hit a standard on private property."

Alderman Lloyds: "There was another one also. I read the report where the incident occurred outside the City. We have authorized certain vehicles to leave the City. I am just wondering in those cases whether some insurance might be worthwhile? However, that is just a suggestion."

City Manager: "I think what Chief Mitchell is saying, in effect is that the cost of the insurance is more than the cost of the car and we hardly ever lose a car a year."

Alderman Lloyds: "When you go outside of the City I think your hazards are much greater as far as more serious damage is concerned."

His Worship the Mayor stated that he thought in the future police cars going outside of the City should be covered with insurance.

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

Alderman Wyman arrived 8:15 P.M.

REQUEST TO REZONE WEST SIDE OF BARRINGTON STREET - CORNWALLIS TO GERRISH STREETS  
R-1 to C-2

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: August 4, 1959.

Subject: Request to Rezone west side of Barrington Street - (Cornwallis Street to Gerrish Street) R-1 to C-2

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending against the rezoning of the west side of Barrington Street (Cornwallis Street to Gerrish Street) from R1 to C2.

On Motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board recommended to City Council that the application be refused, in accordance with Part XV of the Zoning By Law. Alderman Trahan was recorded against.

Respectfully submitted,

A. R. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

Alderman DeWolf: All I just want to make this comment. The way it lies now - the Town Planning Board has decided to leave the east side of Barrington Street Commercial and the west side will be Residential. I suggest that the Commercial operations double up use the east side of Barrington Street because of the considerable falling off of the ground there. If that were used for residential purposes the people living in homes would get a better view of the harbour which might be shut off if Commercial operation want to use the east side. I would just as soon set it all Residential for one side. I would like to see the west side as Commercial. I can assure you that I do know of cases where Commercial enterprise was considering going up in that location but would not take the east side of the street because of the tremendous drop from the front to the rear of the property.

Mr. Thomas Gilles, 511 Barrington Street, appeared before Council and it was agreed that he be heard.



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Mr. Giles stated that at no time were the residents allowed to express their views on the zoning. He further stated that there was a great volume of traffic in that area and it is strictly commercial.

His Worship the Mayor asked Mr. Giles if he had any offers for the commercial use of his property to which he replied that offers had been made to him.

Mr. Giles: "We have heard rumors that the City may acquire those places. My assessment is \$6,000.00. I couldn't buy another property in the City for that money."

Alderman Dunlop asked if it was true that the people were denied a Public Hearing by the City on this zoning.

His Worship the Mayor: "No. Their Solicitor spoke at the last Town Planning Board Meeting."

Alderman Lloyds: "If an area was potentially an area that could be marketed for commercial purposes prior to the City rezoning back to Residential, there was a sort of a vested interest in a possible right in that case and the point that is being made is that there was some measurable loss to the persons whose properties were being rezoned from Commercial to Residential in order to accommodate the vast majority of opinion that the area is to be residential. Should Mr. Giles have an opportunity to sell his property for Commercial purposes, he can always present his case to the Council and have the matter reviewed in the light of what may be going there and what development takes place."

Mr. Giles: "I have a particular case I wish to mention. There is a lady here who paid about \$10,000.00 for her property. She has been paying over \$100.00 a month for the past six years. Now if the City steps into that place, it is not good as it wasn't worth the money in the first place, but still she has paid over \$6,000.00 on that property and the valuation of the property is only \$5,000.00. That woman has lost all the money she has paid into it. The mortgagee stands to get the \$5,000.00 although she still owes around \$6,000.00 or \$7,000.00 on the property. That woman has put \$100.00 a month into it for nothing."

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His Worship the Mayor: "Are you fearful that the City's expropriation practice might do an injustice to you? Is that what your fear is?"

Mr. Giles: "Yes, that is primarily our fear."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think that is another matter to discuss. I am sympathetic to your views. Council has expressed concern over the matter of compensation. I think we are all trying to be fair and just in these matters, and we certainly don't feel that any hardship should be done to anyone."

Mr. Giles: "There are at least 10 people in that area who have paid exorbitant prices for their homes which under City expropriation they could never get back anywhere near what they paid for them. Commercially, they might have a chance to get some back."

Alderman Lloyd: "Wasn't Professor Stephenson's recommendation for that area to be left to be improved by the owners themselves? The question of expropriation is not an immediate plan on the west side."

His Worship the Mayor: "No."

Alfarnna Wymara: "This application refers to the action City Council took some time ago. At that time I was opposed to the action City Council took and I am still opposed to it so I will favor the request tonight. I cannot picture this vicinity as being suitable for Residential under any circumstances. The Commercial use of the east side of Barrington Street and the use of Barrington Street as a main traffic artery between the North and South parts of the City make it very definitely an unsuitable area for people to live in. We have requests from various parts of the City to control truck traffic and so on because in Residential Areas it isn't safe for children to be playing with so much traffic on the Streets, and yet there are two blocks on Barrington Street that are a nightmare to anyone who drives a car as the children are playing on the streets all the time and the traffic on that street is extremely heavy. I think our effort should be to reduce the number of children there since we can't do anything about the traffic. I feel the Residential zoning is unrealistic and inappropriate in this area and I certainly would favor it being returned to Commercial."

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His Worship the Mayor: "I would suggest that the question of children playing on the streets could be solved very easily by acquiring some properties and creating a playground on the west side. You mentioned the fact that it was definitely a commercial area by nature but in ten years of zoning there has not been one application to put a Commercial building on the east side with the exception of a service station - north of Gerrish Street. On the west side of this block on Brunswick Street there are two churches and three schools."

Alderman Wyman said he realized the annoyance of the noise created by the trucks in the district. "With regard to what you say about providing proper places for the children to play, I would think that the people of Westmount have plenty of place for their children to play. Nevertheless, they protested and asked that a ban on trucks be placed on the streets of their district."

His Worship the Mayor: "Their children have to go across what is becoming the main artery to reach the play areas in Westmount. It is unlike this case where the zoning is carried through and it is all commercial on the East side."

Alderman Wyman: "I suppose many of the children living on the West side will have occasion to go across the street to the shops on the East side as they do now."

His Worship the Mayor said there was a suggestion that small shops be established in these areas to provide for the neighbourhood needs.

Alderman Wyman: "With the number of small shops that are on the East side of the street now, I think it will be a long time before anybody will want to build shops on the West side of the street."

His Worship the Mayor: "I hope that you will not take this action tonight and not revert back. We engaged a consultant, Professor Stephenson, to recommend the rezoning of the City and he has done so. We have adhered to a future Redevelopment Plan extending over many years. In addition to that our own Town Planning Director has also recommended against this. Many places in the City have heavy truck traffic all hours of the night. As far as the

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diesel trucks are concerned, one of the ex-aldermen recently complained of a diesel truck being parked outside his house all night because on the adjacent property is a service station. The diesel truck is going all night. These objections came from many parts of the City. Mr. Giles bought his house there knowing that Barrington Street was a main artery and now he raises his objection to living there."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think that anybody buying a property on Barrington Street seven years ago is entitled to complain that they had not had enough astuteness to see that in buying at the price that they were paying that if they couldn't meet their plan for developing the property residentially, they had an out in selling at possibly commercially. I think the real point at issue, as I see it, is not so much the zoning, but the fear of a substantial loss should the City change its plans and acquire that area and say, two or three years hence for a residential redevelopment. Then, these individuals would be faced with appearing before the appropriate officer or Committee of the Council to settle the valuation of their property at that time under expropriation proceedings. It would seem to me, and I say this to Mr. Giles and it is only my own opinion, that their solicitor would not be loathe to point out that the City had an effect re-zoned that area from 'Commercial' to 'Residential' and then, subsequently, proceed to redevelop it. I think he could make a strong case. If he could show that there was a marketable market for the land at the current tax rate, he could upset that business of assessment basis plus a percentage. You know what the property market is in the older properties in some parts of the City. There are many instances where persons who not so long ago were induced to buy because it was convenient to the owner to disappear from the scene as a registered owner and he would make a very small, if any, down payment in order to conceal ownership for some particular reason. That was done in several instances. The result has been that the buyer has paid some payments and has a very small equity or has a chance to recover from the property in case it left undisturbed. If all the factors of renting their room or sub-letting of their properties work out so that they

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can recover eventually and have some equity in their property, but if it hasn't advanced too many years, and if we should take it, the original owner gets out in many instances with a handsome profit, but there is nothing for the equity owner. These are the things that Mr. Giles has been mentioning about other cases apart from his own. I think the Committee, if it should ever expropriate these properties, and these representations are made, you would be very hard pushed not to recognize them in some practical way, as I see it. I want to explain my position that I am going along with this proposal. I think the majority is in favor of it anyway because it is tied into a larger plan of residential redevelopment in an area where schools and churches are already in existence and you cannot wipe out the residential area which those facilities serve. You just can't do it if you possibly can avoid it. I think that is the overall picture with which we approach this matter of rezoning on Barrington Street to 'Residential'. On the other hand, I go along with it only in the belief and the hope that the Committee will recognize these unfortunate circumstances that have arisen."

His Worship the Mayor: "I think that certainly would apply where a person had to pay a title on the area prior to the zoning which was made last year. I think the Council is well aware of my feelings. I certainly want to do justice to the owners of property. I do say this that what brings about obsolescence or blight in housing is the mixed use of 'Commercial' and 'Residential'. I have letters to my office from the agent of a company who own a service station north of Canal Street. They tell me quite frankly that they are sorry that they ever made an investment that because of the mixed usage of the property. Vandalism is rampant and they are spending hundreds of dollars a month in trying to maintain the area. They have applied to the Public Utilities Board for permission to keep the service station open all night to have somebody there to protect their values. They have been turned down. They are facing a severe loss on that property because of vandalism because of mixed usage of 'Commercial' and 'Residential'. Where you have a congested neighborhood without any facilities, the youngsters are attracted there and the result is damage."

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With mixed usage, you have a mixture eventually of bad housing and bad industrial buildings. It is possible in the years to come, I believe, if this redevelopment program carries forward, to redesign those areas west of Barrington Street so that Barrington Street need not be the main artery. We are not necessarily bound because of the fact that the house is fronting on Barrington Street now, in planning blocks of houses there, to produce the same design. Redevelopment in Halifax is a continuing process. The building being torn down for a service station site in the 'Commercial' area, the expansion of the hotel, the expansion of the university building --- all these things are redevelopment. The City is changing and I hope it keeps on changing. Once it doesn't change, it becomes stagnant. That is why I say in the light of wise planning, we have the advantage of an outside consultant, we have the guidance from our Town Planner and all I ask you to do is to keep in mind the future of the City when you talk about rezoning this area. We have a problem there with the annoyance of trucks and that kind of thing. I think there are other remedies for that.

His Worship the Mayor reported that there has been a petition filed in support of the application by most of the people in the area. I think the biggest fear is the matter of expropriation and compensation.

Alderman Lloyd: "As Alderman for this Ward, I was asked to certify this petition; and I gathered that the main concern is the loss of capital investment, even more so than the loss of what might have been a potential profit. I think what they were mainly concerned about was the loss of their own investment. I think that certainly should be covered if such situation should arise in our expropriation proceedings. The investment of the individual should be recognized."

His Worship the Mayor: "Mr. Fraser of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation was in Town today, and he along with Mr. Bernard and Mr. Grant met with the City Solicitor, City Manager and myself and we discussed these matters and questions of principles in acquiring properties. Discussion will continue."

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Alderman Wyman: "I just want to make my position in this matter clear. I stated my reasons for feeling as I do with regard to it; and, unfortunately, I still feel as I did in the beginning and will continue to do so until some expert can show me a plan that looks more feasible than anything that I have seen or heard yet. I do want to make it clear that my stand does not arise from a fear for the reasonable compensation to the property owners in that area in case of expropriation of property at some future time. I feel that this is a matter that can be taken care of and it will be dealt with fairly when the occasion arises."

Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly that the report be approved. Motion passed with Aldermen DeWolf and Wyman being recorded against.

REQUEST TO CONVERT FROM SINGLE FAMILY DWELLING TO DUPLEX - 14 GREEN ST.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: August 4, 1959.  
Subject: Request to convert from single family to duplex - 14 Green St.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending against the request to convert #14 Green Street from a single family dwelling to a duplex.

On Motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Trainor, the Board recommended to City Council that the application be refused in accordance with Part XV of the Zoning By-Law.

Respectfully submitted,

A.E. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION - BELLEVUE AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: August 4, 1959.  
Subject: Resubdivision - Bellevue Avenue.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered

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a report from the Director of Planning recommending approval of resubdivision Lot #3 Bellevue Avenue.

On Motion of Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board approved the resubdivision as shown on Plan # 00-9-14580, P200/19 and recommended it to City Council with no public hearing to be held.

Respectfully submitted,

A.R. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION - GARRICK STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: August 4, 1959.  
Subject: Resubdivision Garrick Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending approval of resubdividing the property on the southwest corner of Davison and Garrick Street.

On Motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, the Board approved the resubdivision as shown on Plan No. 00-9-14588, P200/22 and recommended it to City Council with no public hearing to be held.

Alderman Trainer abstained.

Respectfully submitted.

A.R. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

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

RESUBDIVISION - EDINBURGH STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: August 4, 1959.  
Subject: Resubdivision - Edinburgh Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favour of resubdividing Lots 1 and 2 Edinburgh Street and Lot #3 Almon Street.



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On Motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Butler, the Board approved the resubdivision as shown on Plan # 00-9-14585, P200/21 and recommended it to City Council with no public hearing to be held.

Respectfully submitted,

A.R. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION - YOUNG STREET AT KEMPT ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: August 4, 1959.  
Subject: Resubdivision - Young Street at Kempt Road.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favour of resubdividing the property on the southeast corner of Young Street and Kempt Road.

On Motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board approved the resubdivision as shown on Plan # 00-9-14585, P200/24 subject to a strip of land 20 feet wide along the Young Street frontage being reserved by the City for street widening purposes, and recommended it to City Council with no public hearing to be held.

Respectfully submitted,

A.R. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

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

REQUEST TO REZONE 118 STAIRS STREET - R-2 ZONE TO C-2 ZONE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: August 4, 1959.  
Subject: Request to R-zone - 118 Stairs Street (R2 C2)

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending against the rezoning of 118 Stairs Street from R2 to C2.

On Motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council with no public hearing to be held.

Respectfully submitted,

A.R. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

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

SURVEY - BRIDGE ACROSS THE NORTH WEST ARM

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: August 4th, 1959.  
Subject: Survey - Bridge across the North West Arm.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a letter from the Provincial Minister of Highways proposing that a survey be undertaken by a firm of qualified consulting engineers for a proposed bridge across the North West Arm respecting its feasibility, location, type and cost and suggesting that the estimated cost of this survey, twenty to twenty-five thousand dollars be shared forty percent by the Province and sixty percent each by the City and County.

On Motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Trainor, the proposal by the Minister was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

A.R. BARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

Alderman Lloyd: "As I recall, you had a meeting some time ago at which you requested the sharing of costs for a preliminary survey for the approaches to the City. I got the notion that the Bicentennial or Bruce approaches to the City would be considered by this initial survey. Has that gentleman made his report or was the survey made?"

His Worship the Mayor: "As far as I know in the terms of reference. His only responsibility was to consider the possibility of construction of a bridge when making his recommendations with respect to the proposed Highway land entrance."

Alderman Lloyd: "He has not yet made his report. The survey decided to cut down past the Golf Club to Bayview Road."

His Worship the Mayor: "He was to have done the survey from where the Bicentennial Highway crosses the City limits. The way the way was laid down in a report tabled by the Council."

Alderman O'Brien: "You are talking about the Council's Report, but that was never approved by the Council."

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His Worship the Mayor: "It was tabled here. Council never objected to it."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the Golf Club is adopting an attitude of co-operation. We came into the picture because we were asked to pay for a share of the cost of services of a professional man to consider that one approach to the City, as I thought. I thought that was to be one of the jobs he was to do. Wasn't that to be one of the land encumbrances to the City he was to consider?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes, but he was not asked to consider the full study of a Bridge."

Alderman DeWolf: "I would suggest that because this one costs \$25,000. that we make the contribution, but if, as and when the bridge goes through that this be part of the capital cost of the bridge. It is going to be a toll bridge I understand; and if it is, it is going to pay for itself."

His Worship the Mayor suggested the motion should be of this nature that if the results of the survey indicate the need for a bridge across the Arm, these costs be considered a part of the capital costs of the bridge. If it is negative, then we pay it.

Alderman Lloyd: "I had some queries directed to me on the matter of the City's sharing of the cost. One argument presented was that this traffic artery is substantially being created to assist the movement of people from the City and into the City from outside points. Being an arterial highway, is it not properly a Provincial matter and why is the City being asked to share part of the cost? There must be an answer?"

His Worship the Mayor: "We have asked the Province to consider this matter because we are faced with certain traffic improvements which will be our own responsibility. It may be possible to avoid some traffic improvements in this City by a diversion of traffic by making greater use of main streets that are quiet at 5:00 p.m. For instance, at 5:00 p.m. practically all traffic moves north from south of Quinlan Road to Cogswell Street to get out of town. If a bridge or an overpass were located somewhere south of that, it would

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not demand then that we pay extra funds for instances in the vicinity of the Commons and the Willow Tree. So there is a possible saving of our money by our taking part in the survey. We are not committing ourselves to the sharing of any costs whatsoever in relation to the construction of the bridge."

Alderman Lloyd: "We are expending \$7,500.00 or thereabouts in order to take advantage of the better planning and thereby saving us costs in the movement of internal traffic. We would encourage the bridge if it went in a certain direction. If it were built in a certain way by the people who planned it, it would be to our advantage to encourage such an inquiry and investigation."

His Worship the Mayor: "The thinking of the Department of Highways and our own engineers so far have indicated that a site for the Halifax plaza of the bridge is a point further south than anything contemplated before."

Alderman Lloyd observed that the farther south the bridge is built, the more likely it is to be an economic success, because the closer it is to the Rotary, the less people will use it.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the report be approved and that the funds be provided by Section 116 "C" of the City Charter. Motion passed.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO EXPROPRIATE - MULGRAVE PARK HOUSING PROJECT

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: August 4th, 1959.  
Subject: Notice of Intention to Expropriate Mulgrave Park Housing Project.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Solicitor recommending that a public hearing be held at the last meeting of City Council in August regarding the expropriation of all lands of the Mulgrave Park Housing Project.

On Motion of Alderman Trainer, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Committee approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. HARRY,  
for Clerk of Works.

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Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the report be approved and Council fix September 17, 1959 at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia as the time and place for a public hearing in this matter. Motion passed.

ACQUISITION OF PROPERTIES INDUSTRIAL MILE AREA

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 the City Solicitor advised that property owners in the Industrial Mile Area had accepted the City's offer in the following cases:

P. Arthur Pemberton - \$2,348.00  
Florence David - \$ 509.12

Your Committee recommends that the properties be acquired for the amounts listed above.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK

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

ACQUISITION OF LAND FROM HALIFAX RELIEF COMMISSION - VEITH STREET

To: His Worship, C.A. Vaughan, and Members of City Council.  
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
Date: August 13, 1959.  
Subject: Veith Street - Halifax Relief Commission.

His Worship the Mayor, and the writer talked with Mr. Allan M. Butler on Thursday, August 6, concerning the acquisition of a strip of land approximately 4.5 ft. x 453.33 ft. This land is needed for street-widening purposes, and at first the Halifax Relief Commission felt that they wanted the matter considered at the same time as a Subdivision.

They have now agreed to sell the Veith Street land for the nominal sum of \$1.00 and to confer with the City later on a proposed subdivision.

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

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

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STREET LINE - VEITH STREET

The matter of relocating the Eastern Street Line of Veith Street was referred to the Town Planning Board to set a date for a public hearing.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE OPEN FRIDAY NIGHTS TILL 8:00 P.M.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that he had requested information from several cities pertaining to evening opening of the City Collector's Office. Of seven (7) cities answering, only the City of Moncton kept the Collector's Office open on Friday night from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

The Commissioner pointed out that the sum of \$29,224.88 was collected at night from April 17 to May 29, 1959 at a cost of \$222.75 in overtime which is .0762% of the total collections.

It was felt that the opening of the Collector's Office on Friday nights was a service to the public and that tax payers in general could obtain information as well as paying their taxes.

Your Committee recommends that the practice of keeping the City Collector's Office open on Friday nights until 8:00 p.m. be continued next year and that the matter be reviewed at that time.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

CHAIN OF DIMES PROJECT - Y.M.C.A. - NOVEMBER 20, 1959

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 it was agreed to recommend that permission be granted to the Beta-Hi-Y of the Y.M.C.A. to hold a Chain of Dimes project on November 20, 1959.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

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WAR MEMORIAL -- REGIONAL LIBRARY

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 the matter of providing a War Memorial for the Regional Library, at an estimated cost of \$1,000.00 was again considered.

A model of the proposed Memorial was displayed by the City Planning Officer.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$1,000.00 be included in the Regional Library budget for the year 1960 and that the work be carried out in the same year.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

CONFIRMATORY DEED -- A.G. COOPER -- FALKLAND STREET

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 a report was submitted from the City Solicitor advising that the City on December 10, 1959 conveyed to Mr. A. Gordon Cooper, a piece of land on Falkland Street by Tax Deed and in the "grant clause", the words "his Heirs" were omitted.

Mr. Cooper has requested the issuance of a Confirmatory Deed.

Your Committee recommends that the Confirmatory Deed be issued.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

AUCTIONEER'S LICENSE -- MR. PHILIP COX -- 585 BARRINGTON ST.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 an application for an Auctioneer's License to auction new and used merchandise was submitted from Mr. Philip L. Cox, 585 Barrington Street.

A report was also submitted from the Deputy Chief of Police advising that Mr. Cox has no record with the department and is a man of excellent character. He, therefore, recommended that the license be granted.

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Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Deputy Chief of Police.

Respectfully submitted,

K. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

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

ACTING CITY SOLICITOR

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 it was agreed to recommend that Mr. Leonard Mitchell be appointed Acting City Solicitor during the absence of the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

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

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't know why we should not appoint a Deputy Solicitor. We have put this matter off for years. I think at it time we approached the problem and named a Deputy in order to better arm whoever is appointed to that position with more authority, one who would automatically step into the Solicitor's role whenever he is absent from the City."

Alderman Lane: "Is it the City Solicitor's duty to recommend a Deputy?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The Manager."

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Connelly, that the City Manager be requested to make a recommendation for a Deputy City Solicitor. Motion passed.

TERMINATION DATE SUPERANNUATION PAYMENTS 1945 TO 1950 - LEGISLATION

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 a report was considered from the Retirement Committee dated January 8, 1959 concerning the matter of securing legislation to permit those persons who are not now paying for past contributions to the Superannuation Fund for the years 1945 to 1950 inclusive, to do so.



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Your Committee recommends that legislation be secured to provide for the following:

1. Those persons who are not now paying for past contributions for the years 1945 to 1950 inclusive, will be given the opportunity to pay for such service and shall have until July 31, 1960 to elect to make such contributions.
2. The period of repayment shall be 84 consecutive months after date of election and the making of the first deduction.
3. That interest be charged at the rate of 6% per annum on the contributions in arrears.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS HALIFAX COUNTY VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959, a letter was submitted from the Honorable R.L. Stantfield, Acting Minister of Education, submitting amendments to Regulation #12 of the Vocational High School Regulations covering salary scales for Department Heads and Teachers, effective as of August 1, 1959 as follows:

1. Delete the figures after Teacher - Group III in Regulation 12 and insert therefor:

(a)	\$5,910.	\$4,060.	\$4,210.	\$4,360.	\$4,510.	\$4,660.	\$4,810.	\$4,960.
	\$5,110.	\$5,260.	\$5,410.	\$5,560.	\$5,710.	\$5,860.	\$6,010.	\$6,160.
	\$6,010.	\$6,010.	\$6,010.	\$6,010.	\$6,160.	\$6,160.	\$6,310.	\$6,460.
	\$6,160.	\$6,310.						

(b)	\$4,270.	\$4,420.	\$4,570.	\$4,720.	\$4,870.	\$5,020.	\$5,170.	\$5,320.
	\$5,470.	\$5,620.	\$5,770.	\$5,920.	\$6,070.	\$6,220.	\$6,370.	\$6,520.
	\$6,370.	\$6,520.	\$6,670.	\$6,820.	\$6,970.	\$7,120.	\$7,270.	\$7,420.
	\$6,520.	\$6,670.						

2. Delete figures after Department Head - Group III in Regulation 12 and insert therefor:

	\$5,470.	\$5,620.	\$5,770.	\$5,920.	\$6,070.	\$6,220.	\$6,370.	\$6,520.
	\$6,520.	\$6,520.	\$6,670.	\$6,820.	\$6,970.	\$7,120.	\$7,270.	\$7,420.
	\$6,670.	\$6,820.						

Your Committee recommends that the amendments to Regulation #12 be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

NEW AGREEMENT HALIFAX COUNTY VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 6, 1959 a revised agreement covering the operation of the Halifax County Vocational High School was considered.

After a brief discussion, your Committee recommends that the Agreement be approved providing the present paragraph dealing with "Admissions" is included as well as provision being made for some form of arbitration in Paragraph #3.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

His Worship the Mayor: "Because of the agreement we would always be assured of a guarantee of sufficient applicants being accepted from City students to equal our share of the Municipal share of the running of the school. With the recent change it was dropped down to 50%. I think we should have that guarantee. We have never had occasion to ask the Board to honor it because they have been able to accept all the City applicants."

Alderman Wyman: "I doubt if the problem ever does arise, but if it should, I think we should be safeguarded."

His Worship the Mayor: "The other point is the matter of arbitration because under the draft agreement, the sharing of costs remain forever if one party decides to say 'No'. I think this is a dangerous position to be in because the Town of Dartmouth could come up with a City larger than Halifax and if it wanted to, could say 'No, we are not going to agree to any change' and go along with the present sharing of costs. I will communicate the wish of Council to the Minister of Education and ask him to include in the draft those two factors and bring it back to us."

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

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LETTER LIONS CLUB RE: TENNIS COURTS - CONROSE FIELD

A letter was submitted from the Lions Club offering to finance construction of tennis courts on Conrose Field provided that the maintenance of same, once constructed, will be the responsibility of the Recreation Commission.

His Worship the Mayor: "I think the letter should go to the Recreation Commission."

Alderman Ferguson: "The Recreation Commission agreed to maintain the playgrounds, but I understand it is only the City that can accept the gift. I think this is an official request for the City to accept it."

Alderman Connolly asked how many tennis courts were proposed.

His Worship the Mayor: "I think they intend to erect two tennis courts."

Alderman Lane asked what type of construction was proposed and was advised by His Worship the Mayor that the Courts were to be constructed of asphalt.

Alderman Connolly asked why the Lions Club chose Conrose Field for the construction.

His Worship the Mayor: "Because the Lions Club have already spent a lot of money on the field, fixing up the Little League Baseball Diamond. They have done a marvelous job. It is nice to see a Club spend money for recreation in the City. They would like this to be one of their projects on the field."

Alderman Connolly: "In that section there is a concentration of tennis courts. There are St. Mary's Boat Club, The Waegwoltic Club, Northwest Arm Rowing Club, further south, the Cathedral and Dalhousie is used quite a bit. I would think if they wanted to make a gift of tennis courts, they should be at the Central Commons. If they were there everybody in the City would have a chance to play and they perhaps, could be expanded later."

His Worship the Mayor agreed that a recreation facility of this type would be appreciated in the Commons area.

Alderman Dunlop: "I don't think we should tie up the field. As it stands now, the Little League is there only on a temporary basis. I agree there are other places which need tennis courts. I would suggest the Chebucto Road area of the Westmount Subdivision. According to my observations

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tennis courts are, on the whole, used by children who live in the area."

Alderman Ferguson advised that the matter has been considered by the Recreation Commission. He said the matter of a location for the courts was discussed with the Lions Club by the Recreation Commission and the Club feels if it makes the gift, it wants to make it in that location. "It could be that if Council does not agree on this location, they may not make the gift for another location. I think if the gift is to be accepted, it should be accepted at this location."

Alderman Greenwood: "The Lions Club for years have been providing funds for playgrounds both for underprivileged and privileged children. I am sure their Committee has studied very carefully the location of these courts. The Little League installation on the field is not permanent, but it certainly is semi-permanent and will be there for years unless for some reason or other the City want to use the land for some other purpose. I think we should thank this Club for providing tennis and providing it free of charge. I am sure that will lead the way for other service clubs to erect tennis courts, if these are successful, in other areas. I think it would be very unwise and ungrateful for us to refuse to accept this gift of the Lions Club."

Alderman Wyman: "Has the Recreation Commission made any recommendation to City Council either to the effect that it is in their view of the overall recreation situation in the City, undesirable to have these tennis courts at this location, and that they have discussed with the Lions Club other locations and the Lions Club is not interested? It does seem to me that when a Service Club is prepared to do something, it is most ungracious for us to kick the thing back and forth. However, the Recreation Commission is charged with the overall duty of dealing with the general recreation picture in the City and if they feel it is undesirable for this gift to be accepted in that location, they should tell us so."

Alderman Lloyd: "They are recommending that we accept the gift in this location."

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Alderman Wyman: "If there is no objection from the general recreation principle picture of the City and there is no objection to having it in this location, I think we should accept it graciously and with thanks."

Alderman Lane: "I quite agree that acceptance is the proper thing to do. Nevertheless, I would like to know under whose auspices will these tennis courts be operated? Is this to be operated by the Lions Club as a free court, under a club basis, or is it to be operated by the Recreation Commission of the City?"

His Worship the Mayor said the letter stated that the courts are a gift to the City and will be handled by the Recreation Commission.

Alderman Ferguson said he hoped there would be time for use of the facility by adults as well as children.

Alderman Dunlop: "I think we should make a permanent decision as to what we are going to do with that field. My thought is that it should be subdivided and sold. It is a very fine residential area and will bring additional revenue to the City and it will not cost any great amount to develop it because the services are there adjacent to it. I can't see tying that field up for 5 years, even for 2 years, as a permanent recreation ground."

Moved by Alderman Ferguson, seconded by Alderman Fox, that the City accept the gift as outlined in the letter. Motion passed with Alderman Dunlop and Connolly wishing to be recorded against.

#### REPORTS REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No report was submitted at this time.

#### RECEPTION OF PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

No petitions were submitted and no delegations were heard.

#### RESOLUTION COUNTY COUNCIL RE: RENTAL INQUIRY

The following Resolution approved by the Council of the Municipality of the County of Halifax was submitted:

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"WHEREAS pursuant to the provisions of the Rental Act being Chapter 8 of the Acts of the Province of Nova Scotia for the year 1959, the Province of Nova Scotia has appointed His Honour Judge G.M. Morrison to conduct an inquiry into the matters set out in Section 3 of the said Act;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of the County of Halifax do request the said Judge G.M. Morrison to cause an inquiry to be made into and concerning;

- (a) the supply of housing accommodation for rent in the Municipality of the County of Halifax;
- (b) whether the rentals being charged in the Municipality are fair and reasonable;
- (c) what constitutes a fair and reasonable rental for any type of housing accommodation;
- (d) any other matter directly or indirectly concerning housing accommodation and rental charged therefor;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the Town of Dartmouth and the City of Halifax.

FILED

PROGRESS PAYMENT INCINERATOR \$4,637.25 METCALF & EDDY

Commissioner of Finance & Accounts,  
City Hall

RE: INCINERATOR -- PROGRESS ESTIMATE NO. 6  
THIRD RE ARTICLE III, PARAGRAPH (b) OF  
AGREEMENT DATED DECEMBER 7TH, 1955.

Sir:-

We wish to recommend payment to MESSRS. METCALF AND EDDY of the sum of FOUR THOUSAND, SIX HUNDRED AND THIRTY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY-FIVE CENTS (\$4,637.25), third payment on the phase of their Contract for the supervision and consultation during construction of the Incinerator for the City of Halifax, as per Article III, Paragraph (b) of Agreement, dated December 7th, 1955.

Construction Cost under:-

Francis Hankin & Co. Ltd. Contract Est. #6, dated May 29, 1959	\$449,225.00
Foundation Maritime Ltd. Contract Est. #8, dated June 30, 1959	\$239,289.00 \$688,514.00
Amount of fee due to date \$688,514. x 2.4%	\$ 16,524.33
Less 10% Retained	\$ 1,652.43 \$ 14,871.90
Less Previous Payment	\$ 10,234.65
Amount recommended for payment	\$ 4,637.25

Passed City Council, September 15, 1955 -- Engaged Services  
August 3, 1955 -- Capital Borrowing.

G.F. West,  
Commissioner of Works.

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

ACCOUNT MULGRAVE PARK HOUSING PROJECT - \$9,274.00

The Nova Scotia Housing Commission  
Province House  
Halifax

August 4, 1959.

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

Attention: Mr. A.A. DeBard

Dear Sir:

Re: Mulgrave Park Housing Project.

I am enclosing herewith a bill for \$9,274.00, which is 12½% of the Mulgrave Park Expenditure period ending June 30th, 1959.

I have checked with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation with regards to Provincial Share and Provincial Settlement, and they have informed me that when the Province forwards their 25% they pay interest on this amount. The interest is deducted from the Provincial Settlement column and remains in the column marked Provincial Share.

Also enclosed are Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation ledger sheets for this period.

Yours truly,

(Sgd.) R.F. MacDonald  
Manager.

Moved by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the account be approved for payment. Motion passed.

PRESS LETTER - TEACHERS' SALARIES

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman D-Wolf, that Alderman Dunlop be heard in connection with a letter submitted to the Press by Alderman O'Brien concerning teachers' salaries. Motion passed.

Alderman Dunlop submitted and read the following:

In Wednesday's Mail-Star there is a letter from Alderman O'Brien regarding Teachers Salaries in which he condemns the Board of School Commissioners in general, and myself in particular, for having published the names and salaries paid to Teachers in Halifax.

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Alderman O'Brien assumes that I was in favour of the publication. For this assumption he had no grounds or information. He did not do the courteous act of speaking to me or even inquiring from the Secretary of the Board as to my action in regard to the matter. As Chairman I only have a vote when the votes are equal, which was not the case on this motion, and therefore did not vote. I spoke against the motion, but the Board acted otherwise.

Alderman O'Brien states that the solution to the teaching and financial problem is more reasonable sharing of educational costs among the three levels of Government. This is not an original suggestion with him but was tried earlier this year, myself with the Minister of Education when the Province was asked to extend the grants to P.C. 1 & 2 to all grades which would have given us approximately \$87,000. additional by way of Foundation Grant, which was promptly rejected by the Minister. At the higher level His Worship the Mayor reported to the Board on his efforts.

The School Budget for 1960 will show an expenditure of over \$5,000,000 and Alderman O'Brien will then have an opportunity of acting as a spokesman for the strong and active Teachers Union and in showing to the Council how the money can be raised.

"I am saying that the letter is suggesting that I was the responsible party and shows his complete lack of knowledge of the workings of the School Board."

Alderman O'Brien was given permission to give a brief reply and said: "There are two points that I think I should say a word about. I will take the second first. Alderman Dunlop has suggested that when the School Board Budget is before Council, I can speak on these matters. I have attempted to do so before and found that I was ruled out of order and had taken your ruling, Your Worship, as indicating that we can only approve of the submission of the School Board or not, but cannot change the figures substantially. If it weren't for these rulings, I certainly would not have used the newspaper to criticize an action of the School Board. The other point is that I must apologize for assuming that the Chairman of the Board was in favor of the motion which was reported in the press. I have not seen the minutes. I do not believe we have received these minutes. I looked up the minutes I had on the School Board and they had not gone that far, but I am sorry that I did assume that the Chairman was in favor of what a substantial majority of the Board, according to the press, voted for. I was seriously wrong in that respect."

Alderman Lloyd asked if the School Board paid for the listing of the salaries in the press.



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His Worship the Mayor: "No, this listing of salaries was published at the request of the Halifax School Board." He said there was no charge for the listing, to his knowledge.

Alderman Lloyd: "I understand from Alderman Dunlop that he endeavoured to discourage the Board from advertising the names and salaries of the teachers. Is that correct, Your Worship?"

His Worship the Mayor: "That is correct. May I make a statement? I am a member of the School Board. I will accept full responsibility for my actions in this regard. During the length of negotiations the Teachers' Union worked with the salary scale, they often times mentioned the fact that the public didn't know how poorly the teachers were paid. Often times we said we would publish them and the Union delegates said 'go ahead and publish them'. After this Spring when the Union asked for conciliation and had it and received less than the offer of the School Board, they came back, even before the first payments were made on the increased salary scale, and asked for a further increase. I think the public is entitled to know just what the salary scales are because I take this view: if the people of Halifax feel teachers' salaries are too low and express themselves in such manner and are willing to pay higher taxes to pay higher salaries, I will support it whole-heartedly. I think the public should know what the salary scales are. The printing of that scale indicates nothing to the average person, but the manner in which salaries were published last week, I can find no reason for embarrassment because these are from public funds and from time to time all positions in City Hall are publicized. I think the public are entitled to know who is teaching the children in Halifax. Are they qualified or not? The Union has made statements from time to time that it is impossible to keep up the quality of teachers in the City schools. These statements are made many times by the Union and I think we as responsible people, should advise the public just what the facts are. We have done so. I do not apologize for my actions one bit."

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CITY PRISON FACILITIES

Alderman Lloyd: "Some time ago I asked the question about the possible lessening of the population of the City Prison with the construction of the facility at Springhill when that came about. At the time I think it was indicated by Dr. Morton that only about 5% of the inmates of that prison will be affected. I made some further inquiries and I pass it along now not as a question, but as a statement. I think you had better take another look at that, because I think the sentencing of prisoners might come under some change with the new facility which may have, in the long run, an affect on the number of inmates purely to indicate to you that there may be some hope for a change in the sentencing procedure to the institutions."

His Worship the Mayor: "My understanding of the intention to build a new prison farm was that following the Fauteux Report they would take all prisoners sentenced from six months up. If there is any change on the part of the government, I welcome it. I am quite happy to see this happen because quite often it isn't a question of length of sentence at all, but a question of a young person meeting the other elements in these institutions. It is a fact, at least, that if the six-month sentence was to be the rule, then there would be very little reduction in our total enrollment in our prison."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think it is an interesting matter to pursue and a very vital one to us in our plans for the future. I know we are all interested in the possibility of relocation and redevelopment in that field. We certainly want to follow it up if the possibility exists at all. The information that I had was that with the Springhill institution, the application of the six-month sentence would not be made in the same degree and in the same manner and the same cases as it generally is made now. That is part of the result of the Fauteux Report."

SACKVILLE STREET PARKING LOT

Alderman Ferguson: "I notice that the Sackville Street Parking Lot is in operation. I would like to ask if all the available spaces have been leased."

Commissioner of Works: "All but eight spaces."

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Alderman Ferguson: "I have only one observation. I pass the lot and I take particular note of late that on every occasion it has been less than half full. My only thought was that when it was free, it was overcrowded all the time. Now that there is a charge for it, maybe parking is not in demand as much as we thought."

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes, but now a man with a sticker can park his car in the morning and use it around town. Before, if he left the lot for five minutes, some other car took its place. I think you will find in these leased lots it looks like a lower population, but it is not the case at all because people have paid for the space and can move freely in and out of the space."

PARKING -- BRUNSWICK STREET

Alderman Ferguson: "Have we made any progress on the parking along Brunswick Street? Weren't we going to use that on a temporary basis?"

Commissioner of Works: "There were two questions asked at the last Council Meeting. They asked us to investigate the possibility of putting a low retaining wall there and to build a barrier there so that we may put parking meters behind it. We are working on both those projects. I might add that Mr. Munnich is against parking of any kind along the base of the hill. He doesn't think it is a good idea."

Alderman Dunlop: "They are there now."

Commissioner of Works: "They are there now, but I am inclined to agree that if we are going to try to make that look half decent, it is certainly not a good idea to have parking. We will come in with a report."

Alderman Ferguson: "My only thought was that I can't see any reason why we couldn't rent the spaces on a sticker basis. If we charged, we would be getting a revenue."

His Worship the Mayor: "That was considered, but the fact was part of the car at the moment is on the City street. We couldn't rent the spaces on that basis. We can't use the street. Once that matter is cleared we could put meters there."

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RIGHT OF WAY -- QUINN STREET AND ARMCRESCENT WEST

Alderman Fox: "I would like some information on the right of way between Quinn Street and Armrescent West. This is something that arises occasionally and Mr. West tells me that it is private property. If this is private property, the City within the last two or three years has cleaned it up and gravelled it. It has grown up again."

Commissioner of Works: "It belongs as part of that subdivision and all the people in that subdivision have a right over it. We have no authority to do any work on that particular right of way. In fact you might recall a few years ago the matter came up of surfacing a lane or alley-way between Gottingen and Maitland Streets. We were contemplating doing that and the question came up that there are many lanes throughout the City. We got an estimate on stoning and oiling all the lanes and at that time it would have cost \$34,000.00. The City Council said because the lanes are not the City's responsibility, they would not spend the money."

Alderman Fox: "Probably the Commissioner of Works could tell us how one of the lanes got closed up within the last year. I believe it is a public thoroughfare. I think people would be quite satisfied if they were all closed up. Could we have a report as to how we could have them cleaned up?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The ownership is vested in people in common who own the property."

The Commissioner of Works was requested to bring forward a report at the next meeting of the Town Planning Board.

RALSTON AVENUE COMPLETION

Alderman Greenwood: "For several years we have tried to solve a problem on Ralston Avenue and we tried to get legislation to enable us to complete the street. It is a problem for people who pass over Ralston Avenue and also for the residents who are bothered by dust. We have to do something about it. Either assure the abutters that we are going back to the Provincial Legislature for authority again, or find some other answer. I would urge that the Commissioner of Works be instructed to clean up the area."

His Worship the Mayor: "A week ago we had a meeting on this site with

To: His Worship, C. A. Vaughan, and  
Members of City Council,  
From: City Manager, A. A. De Bard, Jr.,  
Date: August 11, 1959  
Subject: Monthly Administrative Report for July, 1959

1. Building Permits

	No.	Value
<u>New</u>		
Single dwellings,	4	\$ 60,000.00
Multiple " (26 units)	3	192,150.00
Garages,	8	4,115.00
Commercial	7	219,000.00
Government	1	850,000.00
<u>Repairs &amp; Conversions</u>		
Single Dwellings,	104	31,059.00
Multiple Dwellings	59	40,943.00
Garages	10	1,175.00
Commercial	25	91,400.00
Institutional	7	13,150.00
	228	\$ 1,502,992.00
<u>Demolitions</u>		
Multiple Dwellings	8	1,750.00
Garages	7	340.00
Commercial	4	2,000.00
	247	\$ 1,507,082.00
	<u>1958</u>	<u>1959</u>
Building Permit Fees	\$ 1,740.00	\$ 2,225.95
Plumbing Permit Fees	165.70	136.90
	\$ 1,905.70	\$ 2,362.85

2. Demolitions

	No. & Ass'd. Value 1956 - 1958	No. & Ass'd. Value 1959
Buildings demolished by owners to make way for new development	131 \$ 831,140.00	48 \$ 280,730.00
Buildings initiated by City & owner complied	50 69,225.00	17 2,500.00
" " " Committee on Works	65 96,295.00	6 15,050.00
" " " City and permitted to stand	4	0 -
" presently being processed for demolition		302 -
" under investigation for demolition		65 -
" ordered demolished by Building Inspector		67 -

3. Streets & Sewers

Square yards of streets stoned and oiled	3,889
" " " sealcoated	21,936.
Tons of hot patch used on paved streets	483
" " " " stoned & oiled streets	75
Cubic yards of material used on streets	41
Square yards applied with dust layer	4,610
" " sidewalk repairs	562
Lineal feet curb & gutter repairs	450
Number of street signs erected	120
" sewer connections cleared and cleaned	3
" Catchpits repaired	3
" " cleaned	56
" " constructed	13
" manholes repaired	10
" " constructed	3
" junctions installed	6
Miles of street swept by hand	417
" " " " machines	914
Lineal feet new sewer	210

4. Garbage & Refuse

2,446 tons of garbage and refuse were collected of which 316 tons were burned, together with 2,504 tons of privately collected materials. The total amount processed, 2820 tons, with incinerator in operation 404 hours. Waste paper collected 112 tons, 150 hours.

5. Prefab Housing

Houses completely paid	484
Current accounts	<u>328</u>
Original number of houses	812

<u>Current accounts</u>	
5% interest rate	93
7% " "	<u>235</u>
	328

Mortgages Receivable, June 30, 1959	\$ 669,744.10
" " July 31, 1959	<u>664,312.04</u>
Amount decreased during the month	\$ 5,432.06
Bank Balance, July 31, 1959	\$ 24,552.08
" " June 30, 1959	<u>12,062.73</u>
Bank Balance increased	\$ 11,489.35
Emergency Shelter Capital Balance	\$ 213,562.05
Charged to Prefab Capital - 1958	<u>100,000.00</u>
	113,562.05
Profit - 1958	<u>1,023.93</u>
	\$ 112,538.12
Charged to Prefab Capital - 1959	<u>35,000.00</u>
Emergency Shelter Capital Balance -	\$ 77,538.12

6. Sewers - Progress Report 14.

<u>Sewer Rehabilitation - Schedule "D" - Capital</u>			<u>Feet Laid</u>			<u>Completed</u>
<u>Street</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>This</u>	<u>Prev.</u>	<u>Total</u>	
C.N.R. Tracks						
Chebucto Rd. to MacCullochs	48" Conc.	Nov. 17/58	86	1094	1180	95%

6. Sewers - Cont'd.

<u>Street</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Feet Laid</u>			<u>Completed</u>
			<u>This</u>	<u>Prev.</u>	<u>Total</u>	
<u>New Work - Schedule "C"</u>						
Mackintosh St. Sanitary (Lady Hammond to Forrester)	8" Transite	May 12/59	179	90	269	40%
Mackintosh St.- Storm (Lady Hammond to Forrester)	15" Conc. 12" Conc.	May 21/59 May 21/59	- -	198 200	198 200	45% 100%
Bayne St. Sanitary	8" Transite	May 29/59	-	304	304	85%
Bayne St. Storm	12" Conc.	June 26/59	150	150	300	90%
Garrick St.	12" Conc.	June 24/59	106	-	106	July 23/59
<u>Pinewood Acres</u>						
Pinegrove Ave.	12" Conc.	June 1/59	322	140	462)	July 22/59
(Now Murdoch)	15" Conc.	June 1/59	223	-	223(	
Crestview (New Fielding)	15" Conc. 12" Conc.	July 9/59 July 9/59	495 165	- -	495) 165(	July 27/59
Parkdale Ave.	24" Conc.	May 7/59	45	386	431	July 26/59
Summit St.	18" Conc.	July 6/59	192	-	192	60%
Regent Road & Micmac St.	60" Araso.	July 15/59	-	-	-	10%

7. Stoning & Oiling - Progress Report 2 - Schedule I

<u>Street</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Length</u>	<u>Start</u>	<u>Complete</u>
Geldert	Beech	Conrose	160	June 22/59	90%
Conrose	Waagvolic	Geldert	383	June 22/59	90%
Acadia	Devenshire	Duffus	600	June 23/59	90%

Seal Coating Stone and Oil Streets - Schedule II

Edward Arab	Que. Dauphinee	West of Lloyd Fox	335	July 27/59	July 27/59
Lloyd Fox	Edward Arab	Dead End	300	"	"
South	Oxford	Dead End	1000	July 28/59	July 28/59
Blenheim	South	Dead End	310	"	"
Webster Ter.	South	Dead End	330	"	"
Beaufort	Roxton	Inglis	940	July 29/59	July 29/59
Belmont	Robie	Bellevue	790	"	"
Ritchie	Beaufort	Inglis	530	July 30/59	July 30/59
Pt. Pleasant	Tower	Franklyn	530	"	"
Crows Nest	Chain Rock	Balmoral	380	"	"
Bower	Tower	Rogers	230	"	"
Tower Ter.	Tower	Wellington	418	"	"

8. Asphalt Paving - Progress Report 2  
New Work - Schedule "A" - Capital

Ashburn Ave.	Abbett	Bayers	770	June 15/59	65%
Cannaught E/S	Bayers	Chishelm	2299	June 16/59	July 18/59
Cannaught W/S	Bayers	Regent	1367	June 26/59	90%
Connolly	Chabuste	Alma St.	1130	July 8/59	65%
Berlin	Connolly	Cannaught	650	July 10/59	65%

Schedule "H" - Traffic Improvements

Robie	University	College	422	July 14/59	July 28/59
Robie	Intersection at Willev		90	July 27/59	July 27/59
Gettingen	Kays	Young	159	July 27/59	July 29/59

9. Sidewalks - Progress Report 2 - Schedule "B" - Capital

Street	From	To	Length	Side	Total		Date Started	Completa
					Length	Work		
Summer	Sackville	University	1500	E	1500	S&S	June 23/59	100%
Sackville	Wanderers	Summer	600	N	600	S&S	June 25/59	100%
Bell	Sackville	City Field	600	W	600	S&S	June 26/59	100%
University	Carleton	Summer	400	N	400	S&S	July 2/59	100%
Watt	Henry	Vernon	300	S	300	S&S	July 3/59	100%
Young	Kempt	Agricola	600	N	600	S&S	July 6/59	100%
Kaye	Agricola	Young	300	S	300	C&G	July 8/59	100%
Glebe	Gottingen	St. Paul's	220	S	220	S&S	July 9/59	100%
Glebe	Existing	Acadia	150	S	150	S&S	July 9/59	100%
Veith	Front of Protestant	Orphanage	200	E	200	S&S	July 20/59	100%
Robie	High	Memorial	600	W	600	S&S	July 10/59	90%
Connaught	Regent N.	to existing	1400	E	1400	S&S	July 13/59	75%
Connaught	Chisholm	Windsor	750	W	750	S&S	July 13/59	80%
Ismar	Romans	Dead End	350	B	700	S	July 22/59	85%
Hood	Windsor	Kempt	250	N	250	S&S	July 23/59	75%
Bayers	Oxford	Windsor	1000	N	1000	C&G	July 23/59	85%
Elliott	Existing	Ashburn	300	S	300	C&G	July 27/59	10%
Howe	Elliott	Spruce	220	E	220	S&S	July 27/59	75%
Bellevue	Beaufort	Existing	150	S	150	S, C&G, S	July 28/59	60%
Queen	Victoria	Kent	400	E	400	S&S	July 29/59	35%
Green	Queen	200' East	200	N	200	S&S	July 29/59	30%
Green	Barrington	200' West	200	N	200	S&S	July 30/59	20%

Traffic Improvements - Schedule "H" - Capital

Robie	College	University	400	B	800	C&G, S	June 19/59	100%
Robie	Willow	N.W. Corner	100	N.W. & S.W.	100	S, C&G, S	July 6/59	100%
Gottingen	Kaye	Young	150	W/S	150	C&G, S	July 8/59	100%

*A. A. DeBard Jr.*  
City Manager.

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the Solicitor for the owner of the abutting property, Mr. West, Mr. Doyle and myself. We went over several possible solutions to the problem. We think that we can iron the problem out soon, we hope."

JOINT-SECRETARY -- INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PORT  
COMMISSIONS

Alderman Greenwood asked if there had been any progress made in selecting a Joint-Secretary for the Industrial Development and Port Commissions.

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes. Applications have been received and there is preliminary screening of the applicants going on now."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. Stoddard,  
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EVENING SESSION  
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
August 27, 1959,  
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, Butler, Macdonald, Ferguson, Fox, Lloyd, Trainor, Wyman, Connolly, Greenwood and O'Brien.

Also present were Messrs. A. A. DeBard, Jr., City Manager; I. Mitchell, V. W. Mitchell, L. M. Romkey, J. F. Thomson, G. F. West, K. M. Mannich, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey, H. K. Randall and Miss M. D. MacPherson.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Tenders for Pumper - Fire Department.
2. Modification of Sideyard - #35 Connolly Street.
3. Modification of Sideyard - #123 Edinburgh Street.
4. Modification of Sideyard - #55 Lady Hammond Road.
5. Request to Build on Undersized Lot - #84 Livingstone Street.
6. Street Lines - Veith Street - Public Hearing - September 17, 1959.
7. Membership of Town Planning Board - Community Planning Association of Canada.
8. Salvation Army Hostel - Morris Street.
9. Progress Payment #9 - Incinerator Construction.
10. Progress Estimate #7 - Francis Hankin & Co. Ltd.
11. Borrowing Resolution - \$10,000.00 - Kempt Road, Windsor Street Intersections.
12. Report - Redevelopment Committee.
13. Notice of Motion to Rescind Resolution of Council passed August 13, 1959 Re: Notice of Intention to Expropriate Mulgrave Park Land.
14. Rental of Hydrostone Houses.
15. Reception of Petitions & Delegations.

TENDERS FOR PUMPER - FIRE DEPARTMENT

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on August 27, 1959 a report was submitted from the Chief of the Fire Department recommending acceptance of a tender submitted from King Seagrave Limited amounting to \$28,556.12 for Pumper Booster Rescue Hose Truck. This figure includes \$210.00 for a heavy-duty 251 H. P. Motor and also a Nova Scotia Hospital Tax of \$149.12. The City Manager concurs in this recommendation.

As a comparison the American LaFrance Company price, plus tax is \$31,981.12.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Fire Chief. Funds for this purpose to be provided by Capital Borrowing.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

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

A Borrowing Resolution amounting to \$30,000.00 was submitted.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the Resolution be approved. Motion passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Butler, Macdonald, Ferguson, Fox, Lloyd, Trainor, Wyman, Connolly, Greenwood and O'Brien. (14)

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD - #35 CONNOLLY STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: August 18, 1959.

Subject: Modification of Sideyard - #35 Connolly Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favour of modification of sideyard at #35 Connolly Street.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
Clerk of Works.

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

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD - #123 EDINBURGH STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: August 18, 1959.

Subject: Modification of sideyard - #123 Edinburgh Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favour of modification of sideyard at #123 Edinburgh Street.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
Clerk of Works.

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

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MODIFICATION OF SIDERYARD - #55 LADY HAMMOND ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: August 18, 1959.  
Subject: Modification of sideyard - #55 Lady Hammond Road.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favour of modification of sideyard at #55 Lady Hammond Road.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANTIN,  
Clerk of Works.

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

REQUEST TO BUILD ON UNDERSIZED LOT - #84 LIVINGSTONE STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: August 18, 1959.  
Subject: Request to build on Undersized lot - #84 Livingstone Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favour of an application to build on an undersized lot at #84 Livingstone Street.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Trainor, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
Clerk of Works.

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

STREET LINES - VEITH STREET - HEARING SEPTEMBER 17, 1959.

TO: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board.  
DATE: August 18, 1959.  
SUBJECT: Street lines - Veith Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the City Solicitor requesting that the Town Planning Board set a date for a hearing to relocate the street lines on Veith Street, at the next regular meeting of City Council on September 17, 1959.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted  
K.C. Mantin, Clerk of Works.

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Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved and Council fix September 17, 1959 at 8:00 P.M in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia as the time and place for a public hearing on this matter. Motion passed.

MEMBERSHIP OF TOWN PLANNING BOARD - C.P.A.C.

TO: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board.  
DATE: August 18, 1959.  
SUBJECT: Membership of Town Planning Board - C.P.A.C.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a request from C.P.A.C. that the Town Planning Board as a body take membership, the fee being \$25.00 a year.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board recommended to City Council that the Town Planning Board take membership in the C.P.A.C. at \$25.00 a year fee.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANTIN,  
Clerk of Works.

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

SALVATION ARMY HOSTEL - MORRIS STREET

TO: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
FROM: Town Planning Board.  
DATE: August 18, 1959.  
SUBJECT: Salvation Army Hostel - Morris Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a request from the Salvation Army to relocate their Hostel from Argyle Street to Morris Street and also to erect a warehouse at the rear.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Board agreed the application be refused and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANTIN,  
Clerk of Works.

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

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PROGRESS PAYMENT #9 - INCINERATOR CONSTRUCTION

TO: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.  
FROM: Committee on Works.  
DATE: August 18, 1959.  
SUBJECT: Progress Payment #9 - Incinerator Construction.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending payment of Progress Estimate #9 - Re: Incinerator Construction.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Committee recommended to City Council payment of Progress Estimate #9 - Re: Construction of the New Incinerator, in the amount of \$47,580.02 to Foundation Maritime Limited.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MARTIN,  
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PROGRESS ESTIMATE #7 - FRANCIS HANKIN & CO. LTD.

TO: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.  
FROM: Committee on Works.  
DATE: August 18, 1959.  
SUBJECT: Progress Estimate #7 - Francis Hankin & Co. Ltd.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending payment of Progress Estimate #7 - Re: Material and Equipment for New Incinerator.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Committee recommended to City Council payment of Progress Estimate #7 - Re: Material and Equipment for the New Incinerator, in the amount of \$40,959.00 to Francis Hankin Co. Ltd.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MARTIN,  
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

BORROWING RESOLUTION \$10,000.00 KEMPT ROAD - LADY HAMMOND ROAD - WINDSOR STREET INTERSECTIONS

A Borrowing Resolution amounting to \$10,000.00 was submitted.

Moved by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the Resolution be approved. Motion passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Dunlop, Lane, Butler, Macdonald, Ferguson, Fox, Lloyd, Trainor, Wyman, Connolly, Greenwood and O'Brien. (14)

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CONTRACT - PRINTING BLUEPRINTS - MULGRAVE PARK HOUSING PROJECT

August 27, 1959.

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on August 19, 1959, consideration was given to a request from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation that the City concur in the expenditure of \$6,600.00 to cover the cost of printing 60 sets of blueprints preparatory to the tender call on the Mulgrave Park Housing Project.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
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Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Trainer that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CONTRACT - CONSULTING ENGINEERS - MULGRAVE PARK HOUSING PROJECT

August 27, 1959.

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on August 19, 1959, a letter was submitted from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation wherein it was reported that due to design changes in the Mulgrave Park Housing Project the design of the retaining walls was changed necessitating extra work on the part of Whitman, Benn & Associates, the Consulting Engineers, the cost of which is \$970.00. They request concurrence in the issuance of a Change Order amending the original contract to read \$10,870.00.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS - MULGRAVE PARK HOUSING PROJECT

August 27, 1959.

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on August 25, 1959, it was agreed to recommend that His Worship the Mayor and City Manager be appointed a Committee to represent the City at the opening of tenders for the Mulgrave Park Housing Project scheduled for September 24, 1959, in Halifax.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
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Moved by Alderman Frainor, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the report be approved. Motion passed.

COMPENSATION PRINCIPLES - REDEVELOPMENT AREA - PROPERTY  
ACQUISITIONS

August 27, 1959.

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on August 19, 1959, it was agreed to recommend for acceptance the following list of principles to be applied when deciding on the compensation to be paid for business disturbances and leasehold in the Redevelopment Program:

1. (a) Allowance for unamortized cost of improvement,  
(b) Allowance for cost of unamortized portion of movable machinery or fixtures.
2. Allowance for cost of moving - to include movable fixtures like counters, etc., - dismantling and re-assembly of equipment, etc.
3. Allowance for loss of profits occasioned by and during period of removal.
4. Allowance for special value to the owner - e.g. manufacturing of product which can be done only at one location.
5. Allowance for specialized removal costs, e.g. electronic equipment.
6. Allowance for stock on hand on day of expropriation - inventory less sales - time for sale - prohibition on new supplies.
7. No allowance for future profits to owner operator, as set out.
8. Lessee has an interest which is compensable when the contract rent is less than the market rent. Is present worth of the difference for the unexpired term of the lease.
9. Allowance for removal of business to new location.
10. Allowance for enjoyment lessee would have had up to the end of the lease of improvements made by him to the property, when the improvement belongs to the landlord.
11. Increase in rent at new location if new rent is above fair market rental of existing premises.
12. Allowance for loss of profits, or for damages arising from loss of time in seeking new location during period of removal.
13. Allowance for unamortized cost of repairs made by lessee which are of value only to himself.
14. If forced out of business, present worth of future profits up to date of lease expiry - If no lease then allowance for stock on hand.
15. When computing values use going rate of interest.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

The principles were considered separately by Council.

The City Manager stated that these were submitted by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Alderman Lloyd: "This is a guide of the existing law, but not to be used as a substitute for the law in any case."

City Manager: "No."

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His Worship the Mayor: "These are merely our guide posts."

Alderman Lloyd: "Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation can't set itself up as a court."

City Manager: "The purpose of these is to give me now and perhaps someone else in the future, a guide post from which we are supposed to negotiate for settlement."

Alderman Lloyd said he hoped there would be some degree of practical flexibility in the approach of these rules because somebody might have a reasonably good case with precedents behind it to indicate that they had some justification for claims not necessarily stipulated in this list.

The City Manager stated he would not approve of it himself, but he would pass it on to the Council and Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

The City Manager gave an explanation of the operation of several of the principles in answer to questions from different Aldermen.

Alderman Dunlop said every case would have to be settled by itself.

Alderman Lloyd: "We know this is a guide line for the City Manager to use." He said it would still require a great deal of common sense.

Alderman Wyman: "Is this report here for approval?"

His Worship the Mayor: "No. It should not be here for approval. We are merely advising you so that you will be better informed when talking to the general public just what the City Manager is to use as ground rules. This is only for your information tonight. Everyone should be informed as much as possible as to what is going on."

NOTICE OF MOTION TO RESCIND RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL PASSED AUGUST 13, 1959  
RE: NOTICE OF INTENTION TO EXPROPRIATE MULGRAVE PARK LAND

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the Resolution of Council passed August 13, 1959 re notice of intention to expropriate Mulgrave Park Land be rescinded. Motion passed.

RENTAL OF HYDROSTONE HOUSES

The matter of renting the hydrostone houses was left to the City Manager to process.

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Alderman Dunlop asked what the situation was respecting the above house. He said he thought the same thing should be done with this property as was done with the hydrostone houses. "I would like to see it taken over and that portion that is on the street taken off and the property sold back. It could be made into a single family home and it wouldn't cost the City too much money."

His Worship the Mayor suggested the City Manager be instructed to approach the present owner and ask what price could be agreed upon and have him report back.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the City Manager be instructed to meet the owner and then report to Council what price the property can be purchased for.

His Worship the Mayor stated the Council would have to approve of the introduction of this item as same was not on the agenda.

Alderman Butler: "Would the land that the City may require for the widening of the street, leave a lot of sufficient size for a house to remain on the land?"

There was no answer to this question.

The motion was not put, but the Alderman requested that the matter be not forgotten.

AGREEMENT - HALIFAX COUNTY VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

August 18, 1959.

Honourable R. L. Stanfield  
Acting Minister of Education  
Province House  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mr. Premier:

The revised agreement covering the operation of the Vocational High School was considered by City Council at its meeting held on August 13, 1959. The Council approved the agreement subject to the present paragraph dealing with admissions being included in the new draft. This has been in existence for some years and it gives the City of Halifax the right to a percentage of students from Halifax City which is equal to the municipal percentage of the sharing of costs of the institution. This is not a serious matter. We have not up to now had occasion to demand that the Board live up to the terms of the agreement because we have found difficulty in getting sufficient City students to enrol at the Vocational High School in the numbers guaranteed under the agreement. Since the City of Halifax gave the site and for some years has been paying the lion's share of the municipal portion of the costs

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of this school, Council feels that the same guarantee should be included in the new agreement.

Council also would like to see included in the agreement some provision for arbitration where the three municipal parties fail to agree to a change in the sharing of costs. The way the matter now stands, if one of the three municipal parties does not want to change in the sharing of costs then the matter cannot proceed further. This seems to be most unfair. It could happen that one of the municipal parties could have a substantial increase in assessment and could have a high ratio of pupils attending the school and could refuse to make a change in the sharing of costs. I would suggest that where the parties fail to agree to a new sharing of costs that the matter be arbitrated by the Minister of Education.

Last April a meeting was held and the representatives of the three municipal units did agree to a change. This cooperation might continue in the years to come but then again it might not. If there is any fear on the part of the Province that such an agreement might not be acceptable to other areas where the Province shares the cost of vocational education then I suggest to you that the Halifax agreement could have this extra clause without disturbing any arrangements made with other parts of the Province.

I would like to have your reply to these two matters as soon as possible so that I can bring before Council at its next meeting, which will be August 27th, your views on the points raised by the Halifax City Council.

Yours very truly,

Charles A. Vaughan  
MAYOR.

August 27, 1959.

Dear Mayor Vaughan:

Your letter of August 18th, 1959, re City Council's approval with qualifications of a new Agreement for the operation of the Halifax County Vocational High School, sets forth the request for two changes to the Agreement:

- (a) provision for the admission of students from the contributing municipal units in proportion to contributions to the School, as it was in the previous Agreement, instead of making the matter a responsibility of the Board as it provided in the draft Agreement, and,
- (b) provision for arbitration when the three municipal parties fail to agree to a change in sharing of the costs.

The provision to have the matter of admitting students in the hands of the Board, as set forth in the draft Agreement, was a change advocated by Department officials and was not requested by the municipal units as were the several other changes. Ten years of experience in both the Halifax School and the Yarmouth School have shown relative to admissions from the contributing municipal units:

- (1) that never have admissions been made in proportion to contributions,
- (2) that the enrolments from the contributing municipal units have varied from year to year, and

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- (3) that the applications for admission, considered as a whole, vary from year to year as to
- (1) numbers applying from each municipal area,
  - (11) courses applied for,
  - (111) qualifications of the applicant.

Because of these variables and the desirability to admit students most likely to profit from what the School has to offer, the Department has been of the opinion for some time that the matter ought to be placed in the hands of the Board of the School. It seems to us that the Board is in the best position to assess the current situation in this regard and to take the steps best calculated to meet the situation. Each municipal party has representation on the Board and that should tend to insure reasonable protection for each municipal party. In the cases of the Agreement for the Yarmouth County Vocational High School and the draft Agreement for the proposed Cape Breton County Vocational High School, all Parties have agreed to placing the responsibility of admissions in the hands of the respective Boards.

The request for provision for arbitration when the three municipal Parties fail to agree to a change in sharing the costs, and perhaps any other matters concerning the municipal Parties of the agreement, was not made by the three Parties when they met some time ago and requested certain changes. There are two elements to your request -- the provision for arbitration and the Minister acting as an arbiter. This matter of arbitration should receive very careful consideration by all Parties concerned and I think it would be wise not have one Part of the Agreement to act as a arbiter for the remaining Parties when there is disagreement among them. I suggest, therefore, that the matter of providing arbitration be the subject of discussion at a conference of all Parties to the Agreement.

I am informed:

- (1) that the Town and the County have approved the Agreement.
- (2) that the calculations regarding the re-sharing of the remaining capital indebtedness have been made to begin on October 1, 1959,
- (3) that this part of the Agreement will have to be re-calculated if the signing of the Agreement is not effected before mid-September,
- (4) that almost certainly there will be in the near future a conference of the Parties to examine and perhaps arrange for different methods of administration of vocational high schools.

(Note: I advance (4) because

- (1) the Halifax County Vocational Education Board some time ago inquired as to what was involved in becoming a "body Corporate", thus suggesting, I judge, some dissatisfaction with the current methods of administration, and,
- (11) officials of the Department have been examining with some care the current methods of administration in the light of operation and will in all likelihood recommend some changes.

In light of what has been presented here, may I hope that you and the City Council could approve the Agreement as it is in the belief that almost certainly there will be proposals for further, and perhaps more far-reaching

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changes which may either incorporate the present wishes of the Council or render them unnecessary.

If further information is needed prior to Council meeting on August 27th, please feel free to have your representative get in touch with Mr. W. D. Mills who has been most concerned with drafting this Agreement.

Yours sincerely,

R. L. Stanfield.

His Worship  
Mayor Charles A. Vaughan  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.

Alderman Lloyd: "How long is the term for?"

His Worship the Mayor: "At a meeting in April the three municipal parties agreed that we would have a review in 1961 and thereafter every three years in so far as the sharing of the municipal portion of the cost of the operation and capital cost is concerned."

Alderman Dunlop: "Couldn't that very easily be put in the agreement 'this agreement shall be reviewed at the expiration of two years'?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I think that in view of the fact that there are going to be further conferences, it seems to me that there is going to be enough assurance that we can talk about this matter through the winter. I think it is important now that we get the change in the sharing of costs as soon as possible. As far as the permission for admission of students from the contributing municipal units is concerned, I said in the letter to the Premier that we have had difficulty in attracting sufficient students from Halifax into the school, and that is one reason why the proportion of students is higher from the other two units."

Alderman Wyman: "As one of your representatives on the Board, I would like to say that anything that can be done to take out of the Agreement or out of the administrative instructions of that School, matters that pertain to the direct administration of it and put them in the hands of the Board instead of in the hands of Officials or parties to the Agreement and that kind of thing, is to the advantage of the School and to the advantage of the Board. One of the great difficulties in administering that school is that the Board which is responsible for internal administration is bound around to such a great extent by things which they decide should be done, but then find that

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the best they can do with that is to recommend. For that reason, I would say that if the reason for rejecting our suggestion with regard to where the pupils are to come from, is to place directly on the Board the responsibility of deciding who shall be pupils of that school, I think that I at least for one, would be all in favor of it. With regard to the other part of the question. We have shared in the cost of that school for some time under an agreement which provided no means of getting a review of the contributed share and no means of forcing such a review. I do think that it is important that the Agreement be settled in time to ensure that we get the benefit of the conference that we had."

Moved by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Lloyd, that His Worship the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign the Agreement on behalf of the City.

Alderman Dunlop: "I wonder if Alderman Wyman would tell the Council who this group of people are that he finds impedes the Board."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think as Chairman of the School Board, Mr. Dunlop, you have on different occasions reminded this Council of the inviolate position which you occupy in the matters of administration of the School Board. We don't enjoy that situation in the Vocational School Board. Almost every administering decision we make is reviewed by Mr. Ford and the Provincial Department of Education. When I joined the Board, I found that there had been a history of discontent and differences of opinion between Mr. Ford and the Department on the operation of the vocational school on matters of courses. This hampers the judging of the Board in principles of selecting courses suitable to this particular area and the economic conditions which are found here and may have some bearing on the matter of our ability to provide a sufficient number of students to that school from this City. As discreet and as diplomatic as possible, efforts were made to bring about an improvement in the matter; and on reading the statute, on one occasion, I had the opinion that there were two ways to administer the school. One was that we sort of had an independence in the position of the Board and the other one was that we were reporting to Mr. Ford. I don't want to be appointed the representative of City





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result of this survey, that the survey costs should form a part of the cost of the bridge.

Sincerely yours,

G. I. Smith.

His Worship  
Mayor Charles A. Vaughan  
City of Halifax.

MARKING SIGNS - FAIRVIEW OVERPASS

His Worship the Mayor read the following letter from the Department of Highways for the purpose of information:

Halifax, Nova Scotia  
August 21, 1959

Mayor Charles A. Vaughan,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mayor Vaughan:

You will recall that a few days ago you discussed with me over the telephone the matter of improved markings at the Fairview Overpass and also you asked about lighting on the Overpass.

It is my understanding that there are a few things to be ironed out in connection with the lighting, such as the question of whether overhead or underground wiring will be used. Just as soon as the various details are worked out, I believe the matter will be presented to the City for the consideration of your Council.

Regarding markings, it is our intention to get the white lines put down as early as possible and I have asked our engineers to see that arrow markings and everything else possible is used to make the overpass as easy as may be for the motorists to negotiate. No doubt it will take some little time for the public to get used to this. I went out the other day and spent some time looking at it and find that people are automatically slowing down. No doubt this is because they were accustomed to doing so for such a length of time. I am hoping that when the new markings are put down and the new signs put up that it will improve conditions materially.

Our centre line painting equipment is in Cape Breton at the moment, but I hope it will be back here within the next few days when we will immediately take on this job.

You mentioned to me the blue and white markings that are being used in some sections of the country. I find that in Nova Scotia, the blue and white markings have been reserved for school signs and for that reason it is the intention to use white letters on a green background. The signs that are presently being put up are not altogether satisfactory, but we hope they will meet the requirements for the time being. It is our desire to put in the very near future, fully reflectorized signs that will be just as easy to read at night as in the day time.

Any time you have any suggestions to offer in connection with this, I assure you they will be gratefully received.

Yours very truly,

R. M. Bloss.

Council,  
August 27, 1959.

USE OF PUBLIC GARDENS - CANADIAN BROADCASTING CORPORATION

Farm & Fisheries Dept.,  
100 Sackville Street,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia,  
August 21, 1959.

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

Dear Sirs and Alderman Lanes:

At 5:00 p.m., on September 6th, we would like to originate a half-hour Television show from the Public Gardens in Halifax.

As you are well aware, our Country Calendar programme has had a regular gardening section since its inception. For this one occasion we would propose to devote at least one-half of our programme time to the Gardens themselves. We would strategically locate our cameras to show off, to best advantage, the more colorful parts of the Gardens and would like to interview Mr. George Power as to the history, development and care of the Public Gardens.

On the other segment of the show we would like to have a final appearance from "Amorilla", our now famous T.V. pig. We would present not only her recent litter of 15, which have been featured several times on T.V. from our studios at Bell Road.

While at first this may seem like a revolting idea we are convinced that these are not ordinary barnyard pigs and that they can be brought in and kept at the Gardens for a period of three hours with an absolute minimum of space and inconvenience to all concerned. We would take every precaution that they be penned close to the fence, and that no damage is caused to the lawn or ground area over which their 9 x 12 pen would be located.

Our purpose of featuring Amorilla on T.V. over the past few months was to bring out various production techniques which have meant, and will mean, a great deal more to Nova Scotia farmers with the opening of the Abattoir.

The idea of presenting "Amorilla" in the Public Gardens is not entirely ours; in fact it was proposed by a citizen concerned about the hundreds of Halifax children growing up, who never have an opportunity to see, or learn about, some of our very common farm animals.

We are, in this scheme, anticipating a large live audience as well as all the viewers of Country Calendar which is now carried live on all T.V. Stations in the Maritimes and Newfoundland.

Please excuse the length of this request. May we have your earliest consideration and decision on this matter.

Yours very truly,

J. D. Johnson,  
Regional Producer.

Moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Ferguson that permission be granted to the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to originate their "Country Calendar" television program from the Public Gardens at 5:00 p.m. September 6, 1959. Motion passed.

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August 27, 1959.

HALIFAX SHIPYARD AND DOCKYARD AREA - PARKING ON CITY STREETS

His Worship the Mayor: "Sometime ago the matter of parking in the vicinity of the Dockyard and Shipyards, especially on those streets north of Russell Street, was mentioned in Council by one of the Aldermen for Ward Six." As a result of that we held two conferences, one on July 24th with Commodore Burchell of the Navy with respect to some parking facilities in the vicinity of the Dockyard, North and Barrington Streets. A survey is now being conducted by the Naval Authorities and the report will come to us later.

The following correspondence was submitted:

Parking - Shipyards Employees

A meeting was held in Mr. J. D. Lezie's Office, General Manager of the Halifax Shipyards on Thursday, August 20, 1959 at 11:30 a.m. to discuss the problem of Shipyards employees parking on City streets in the immediate area of the plant.

In attendance were:

Mr. J. D. Lezie	General Manager	Halifax Shipyards
Mr. P. Carr-Harris	Works Manager	" "
Mr. E. S. Kehoe	Public Relations Officer	" "
Mr. C. A. Vaughan	Mayor	City of Halifax
Mr. K. M. Munnich	Director of Planning	" " "
Mr. G. F. West	Commissioner of Works	" " "

Mayor Vaughan outlined the purpose of the visit and stated some of the difficulties created by Shipyards employees parking on City streets in the immediate area.

Mr. Lezie explained what the Shipyards have been doing to cope with the parking problem and pointed out the improved facilities on both sides of the ramp leading to the bridge at Barrington Street. He estimated that a possible 50 - 60 more cars would park there were it not for the bottleneck at the bridge at 5:00 p.m. which is aggravated by the fact that Dockyard employees have the same working hours as the Shipyards. Some thought is being given to the possibility of changing the Shipyards working hours.

Commenting on the possibility of providing more parking space for Yard employees Mr. Lezie stated that formerly 110 cars were parked within the Yard but this practice was discontinued mainly for security reasons. The meeting was informed that the Shipyards are attempting to lease or buy a triangular piece of land at the north end of the Yard, from the National Harbours Board for parking purposes. If this land could be obtained, the traffic problem as well as the parking problem would be relieved because these cars could exit via the Shipyards north gate.

It was decided at the meeting that:

1. The Shipyards Officials would determine how many employees were parking on surrounding streets. Teams of employees would be sent out at 5:00 p.m. on August 20, 1959 for this purpose.

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2. The Shipyards will commence immediately to zone off designated area for parking on Company owned or leased property.
3. National Harbours Board will be contacted with a view to leasing or purchasing property to the north of the Shipyards.
4. Steel and Engine Products Ltd. will be contacted with a view to leasing land owned by them north of the Protestant Orphanage between Barrington and Veith St.

August 25, 1959.

His Worship,  
Mayor C. A. Vaughan,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Mayor Vaughan:

We have completed a count of the automobiles parked upon the streets which we discussed at our meeting last Thursday.

The total number of cars parked is 152, of which 105 belonged to Shipyard personnel. The arrangement of parking of the cars belonging to the Shipyard employees was thus:

Russell Street	Nil
Albert Street	21
Kaye Street	13
Young Street	9
Devonshire Avenue	46
Veith Street	16

Due to vacations we would assume this is 20 less automobiles than would normally be parked on these streets or we could safely say a total of 125 would be average with a working force of 1000 people.

Under present conditions 75 of these automobiles could be conveniently parked in the yard with the space we now have. We could also provide for another 25 cars by allowing more parking in the confines of the yard proper and this could be done at least as a temporary measure.

We have investigated the north end of the yard and with considerable relocation of steel racks, necessary paving and shifting of the fence we could provide for another 50.

We have not as yet been able to contact Steel and Engine Products as regards the leasing of the lot, nor have we been successful in contacting the National Harbours Board with the intention of availing ourselves of their recently vacated property.

If the two hour parking were enforced immediately we are sure that we could provide parking space for the present number of employees. This would cause, no doubt, some inconvenience for the employees, but at least they would become accustomed to the idea that they must avail themselves of all parking areas provided by the yard.

We will continue to work on the other facet of this programme, namely attempting to acquire this extra land, and will keep you informed on our progress and results.

Yours very truly,

E. S. Kehoe,  
Manager, Industrial & Public Relations.

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August 27, 1959.

His Worship the Mayor: "The Chief of Police will shortly post two-hour parking signs on those streets. Two-hour parking would force the Shipyard employees into the place provided for them by the Shipyards. The opening of a north gate would ease the flow of traffic at the corner of Russell and Barrington Streets and cut down congestion at 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. I think there are going to be changes in working hours in the establishment in that area which will materially affect congestion."

The posting of the two-hour parking signs was approved by Council.

NEW SUPERANNUATION PLAN

Alderman Dunlop stated he noticed in the Financial Statement regarding the Superannuation Plan that there was an increase in the City's contributions for 1958 over 1957 and asked how that came about.

His Worship the Mayor: "Because some of the employees were taken in who were not formerly covered."

Alderman Dunlop: "Immediately they came in, we had to pay our share?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes."

Commissioner of Finances: "In 1958 we took in quite a large number of employees and that was the reason."

Alderman Dunlop: "How many in the Plan now?"

City Manager: "984, I believe."

Alderman Dunlop: "Will that keep on?"

Commissioner of Finances: "No, it could not be that great because most of the people are in the Plan."

LETTER - SCOTIAN FLAMEPROOFING LTD.

August 20, 1959.

To The Mayor,  
and the City Council,  
Halifax, N.S.

Gentlemen:

We desire to express our sincere appreciation for you permitting us the use of the North Commons on Wednesday, the 12th instant, in order to conduct our first flameproofing demonstration in this area.

Judging by the many favorable comments received, both on the spot and since the demonstration, we feel reasonably certain that this method of preventing fires and the consequent loss of life will be well received by our fire conscious public, and we are ready to acquaint them with our service.

Council,  
August 27, 1959.

Our thanks also to your Mr. Geo. West, Commissioner of Works, and your Fire Chief McGillivray and members of his department, who gave so much assistance in arranging for the demonstration.

Again thanking you, we are,

Yours very truly,

SCOTIAN FLAMEPROOFING LIMITED,

I. Lang,  
MANAGER.

Filed

IMPROVEMENT - RALSTON AVENUE

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had received a request that some improvement be effected to Ralston Avenue.

STOP SIGN - EDGEWOOD AVENUE AND CONNOLLY STREET

His Worship the Mayor: "I have a request for a stop sign at the corner of Edgewood Avenue and Connolly Street."

Referred to the Chief of Police.

TRAFFIC - RALSTON AVENUE

His Worship the Mayor: "I have a letter from residents in the area of Ralston Avenue complaining about traffic. Trucks and transfer vans are using this street as a main highway."

Referred to the Chief of Police.

Meeting adjourned.

9:15 P.M.

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C. A. Vaughan,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 17, 1959.

A G E N D A

Prayer.

Minutes - June 25, July 16, 30 and August 13, 1959.

1. Public Hearing (A) To relocate the Eastern Official Street Line of Veith Street between Hanover and Richmond Streets as shown on Section 4 of the Official City Plan.  
(B) To remove the Official Street Lines of both sides of Falkland Street between Göttingen and Maitland Streets as shown on Section 11-B of the Official City Plan.
2. Report - Dr. J. M. Finch - Convalescent Hospital - Information Only.
3. Ladies Auxiliary - Benview Home.
4. Retirements: (A) Arthur A. Marriott - \$514.82.  
(B) Samuel T. Baird - \$515.33.  
(C) Herbert A. Langille - \$452.95.
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14. Agreement - City and N.S. Football League - Re: Wanderers Grounds.
15. Attendance Inspector Harold M. Isaac at St. John Ambulance Association Investiture in Ottawa.
16. Modification of Sideyard - #16 Edgewood Avenue. (Recommended)
17. Modification of Sideyard - #1582 Barrington Street. (Recommended)
18. Modification of Sideyard - #12-14 Stanley Place. (Recommended)
19. Resubdivision - #99 Lady Hammond Road. (Recommended)
20. Extension of a non-conforming use - #98 Connaught Avenue. (Recommended)
21. Application for Barber Shop - #301 Spring Garden Road. (Recommended)
22. Modification of frontyard - #301 Barrington Street. (Recommended)
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24. Proposed list of streets for planting new trees.
25. Progress Estimate #8 - Re: Material and Equipment for New Incinerator. (Francis Hankin and Co. Ltd.)
26. Sewer Installation - Ascot Avenue.
27. Ordinance #23 Early Closing Shops - First Reading.
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29. Ordinance #53 Boundaries of City of Halifax - First Reading.
30. Tag Day - Multiple Sclerosis - October 30, 1959.
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32. Report Redevelopment Committee.
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35. Sale of Land Chain Rock Drive.
36. Questions.

DEFERRED ITEM

1. Legislation - Section 512 - City Charter.

INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Administrative Report for August.
2. Tax Collections.
3. Bank Interest Rates.
4. Information - Deed Transfer Tax.



CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
September 17, 1959,  
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 the Deputy Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Butler, Macdonald, Ferguson, Fox, Lloyd, Trainor, Wyman and Connelly.

Also present were Messrs. A.A. DeBard, Jr., L. Mitchell, L.M. Romkey, G.F. West, J.F. Thomson, Dr. E.M. Fogo, V.W. Mitchell, R.H. Stoddard, W.J. Clancey and Miss M.D. MacPherson.

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, that the minutes for June 25, July 16, 30 and August 13, 1959 be approved. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING TO RELOCATE THE EASTERN OFFICIAL STREET LINE OF VEITH STREET BETWEEN HANOVER AND RICHMOND STREETS AS SHOWN ON SECTION 4 OF THE OFFICIAL CITY PLAN

A Public Hearing into the matter of relocating the eastern official street line of Veith Street between Hanover and Richmond Streets, as shown on Section 4 of the Official City Plan, was held at this time.

The City Clerk advised that the matter had been duly advertised and that no written objections had been received.

No person appeared either for or against the proposal.

A formal resolution was submitted by the City Solicitor.

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

PUBLIC HEARING TO REMOVE THE OFFICIAL STREET LINES OF BOTH SIDES OF FALKLAND STREET BETWEEN GOTTINGEN AND MAITLAND STREETS AS SHOWN ON SECTION 11-B OF THE OFFICIAL CITY PLAN

A Public Hearing into the matter of the removal of the Official Street Lines on both sides of Falkland Street between Gettingen and Maitland Streets as shown on Section 11-B of the Official City Plan, was held at this time.

Council,  
September 17, 1959.

The City Clerk advised that the matter had been duly advertised and that no written objections had been received.

No person appeared either for or against the proposal.

A formal resolution was submitted by the City Solicitor.

Moved by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the Resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that legislation be secured at the next session of the Legislature to close the portion of Falkland Street to public use which is necessary under the redevelopment plan.

Motion passed.

REPORT DR. J.M. TAINSH - CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL

A report was distributed to members of Council outlining the progress of and the activities at the Convalescent Hospital and same was accepted and filed.

LADIES AUXILIARY - BASINVIEW HOME

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on September 10, 1959 a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health advising that the Ladies Auxiliary at Basinview Home have been holding birthday parties once a month during the summer but beginning next month their activities will increase.

Your Committee wishes to go on record to show its appreciation of the services rendered and requests His Worship the Mayor forward a letter to the Secretary thanking the Auxiliary for its efforts in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

RETIREMENTS: ARTHUR A. MARRIOTT - \$514.82 - SAMUEL T. BAIRD - \$515.33  
HERBERT A. LANGILLE - \$452.95

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on September 10, 1959 reports were submitted from the Commissioner of Finance respecting retirement allowances for three former School Board employees.

Council,  
September 17, 1959.

Your Committee recommends retirement allowances under the authority of Sub-section 5, Section 57, Chapter 62 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1957 as follows:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE DATE</u>
SAMUEL J. BAIRD	\$515.33	September 1, 1959
HERBERT A. LANGILLE	\$452.95	September 1, 1959
ARTHUR A. MARRIOTT	\$514.82	September 1, 1959

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

To: His Worship, C.A. Vaughan, and  
Members of City Council.

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

Date: September 15, 1959.

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)	Chappel & Son, Ltd.	Tires	837.98
Works	James F. Beeler	Retailer	502.71
	Coleman Machinery Co. Ltd.	Gear Reducer Street Orderlies	1,622.25
	Department of Highways	50% of cost of survey of City Entrance - Bayers Road Area	3,753.04
	N.S. Tractors & Equipment Ltd.	Parts for Tractors	790.14
	Public Service Commission	Operating and Maintaining Arm Sewer Chlorinator for July, 1959	1,637.23
	Wilson Equipment Limited	Equipment Parts	706.97
T.B. Hospital	Ingram & Bell Limited	Bedpan Washers & Sterilizers	1,950.90

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Recreation	McDonald Construction Co. Ltd.	Portable Wooden Bleachers	1,578.00
	Pryor Construction Limited	Bleachers	1,656.50
Natal Day	T.W. Hand Fireworks Co. Ltd.	Fireworks	1,500.00
	Leon Neima Ltd.	Trophies, Crests, & Engraved Letters	521.84
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			\$12,957.56

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

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

HALIFAX MENTAL HOSPITAL - PUBLICITY

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on September 10, 1959 a report was submitted from the City Manager entitled "Halifax Mental Hospital (City Home) - Publicity".

It was agreed that the Mr. Fittinger be heard at the next regular meeting of this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

OVERAGE EMPLOYEES

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on September 10, 1959 a report was submitted from the City Manager advising there are 65 employees over retirement age, 23 of whom are over 70 years.

After consultation with the Department Heads concerned, it was determined that those over 70 years of age be notified that their retirement will begin as of July 1, 1960.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK

Moved by Alderman Connelly, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Council,  
September 17, 1959.

GRANT - NATIONAL RESEARCH COUNCIL

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on September 10, 1959, a report was submitted from the City Manager in which he advised that a letter had been received from the National Research Council stating that they will pay the regular tax on their property, at the residential rate, commencing in 1960.

This means that instead of the fixed assessment of \$9,000.00, the City will receive \$14,291.58 on the present \$697,150.00 assessment if the tax rate remains at \$1.95 plus \$0.10 for Fire Protection.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

WELFARE ASSISTANCE - APPROPRIATION \$23,000.00 - \$36.00

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on September 10, 1959, it was agreed to recommend (1) that an additional appropriation of \$23,000.00 be provided for Welfare Assistance until December 31, 1959 under the provisions of Section 315 "C" of the City Charter. (2) that His Worship the Mayor and City Manager, confer with the Province on the matter of Welfare Payments and report back to this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL - HONORARIA TO PART-TIME CONSULTANTS

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on September 10, 1959 a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health requesting authority to pay an honorarium of \$36.00 per half day to the following part-time consultants at the Convalescent Hospital:

Dr. R.C. Dickson, Professor of Medicine  
Dr. C.L. Goss, Professor of Urology  
Dr. Ian MacKinnon, Professor of Surgery

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

Council,  
September 17, 1959.

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

APPOINTMENT OF NUTRITIONIST

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on September 10, 1959, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending the services of a nutritionist to be attached to the Health Department in the person of Miss Elizabeth MacKinnon.

He also recommended that an agreement be executed by the City whereby Miss MacKinnon would be able to take advantage of a Bursary supplied by the Province of Nova Scotia to take her Master of Public Health Diploma in Nutrition.

Your Committee concurs in the recommendation of the Commissioner of Health.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

FORUM COMMISSION LAND

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on September 10, 1959, consideration was given to a report from the City Manager requesting permission to advertise for sale five lots, 20' x 330' each, of Forum Commission Land fronting on Young Street, east of the Nova Scotia Liquor Commission property.

Your Committee recommends that the land be advertised for sale in the local press and in the Financial Post; and that the following conditions apply to the tender call:-

Tenders must indicate:

- (a) the use to which the land is to be put
- (b) the number of people to be employed in any proposed industry
- (c) the contemplated cost of construction
- (d) whether the tender is for all or a portion of the land
- (e) the per-foot-frontage basis of the tender price.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Trainer: "Do you think as a result of this advertisement that you may be able to acquire an industry or something of that nature?"

Council,  
September 17, 1959.

City Managers: "Yes. The inquiry came from a manufacturer."

Deputy Mayor: "I am concerned that the Industrial Commission be consulted about this matter. Mr. DeBard assures me that he had talked to the Chairman of the Industrial Commission and that when the tenders, if any, are received, the Industrial Commission will have an opportunity to look at them and make a recommendation."

Alderman Connolly: "Has this land ever been advertised before?"

City Managers: "Yes, but there were no manufacturers who bid at that time."

Alderman Trainor: "If Council was dissatisfied with the bidders on the land, have we the right to refuse them?"

Deputy Mayor: "Yes."

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

ADDITIONAL ICE FACILITIES FORUM - \$175,000.00

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on September 10, 1959, consideration was given to a report from the Halifax Forum Commission recommending the erection of a prefabricated steel building 200' x 100' on available land on the East side of the Halifax Forum for the purpose of providing additional skating and recreational facilities; at an estimated cost of \$175,000.00.

Your Committee approved the recommendation and requested the City Manager to obtain from the Architect an estimate of cost to provide a lower level as storage space for Civic purposes; also, that a Borrowing Resolution for \$175,000.00 be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

Alderman Ferguson: "At the Finance and Executive Committee meeting I asked the question about additional storage space underneath and after talking to Mr. Dumaresq, I am now of the opinion that I would like to see it continued without this storage space. I want to say that I am satisfied that it continues without the basement."

Council,  
September 17, 1959.

Alderman Treanor: "I wonder if Mr. Dumaresq could possibly give us the cost without the fill underneath?"

Alderman Lane: "I have been looking at the revenue picture and I would like to know if the City Manager considers this a self-supporting proposition."

City Manager: "Perhaps on the basis of the figures submitted, I wondered a little bit about the income but I am not in the position to say that the estimate is too high because I don't have any experience in running the Forum."

Alderman Lloyd said there were enough demands for the time to produce the revenue projected in the report.

It was agreed that Mr. Dumaresq be heard.

Mr. Dumaresq: "My estimate, after working on it for some time, is that it will cost at least \$20,000.00 as this includes the credit that would be forthcoming from the \$20,000.00 for fill which would not be required. If we have a basement we won't need the \$20,000.00 worth of fill."

Alderman Ferguson: "If you take the fill out, the figure will stay at \$175,000.00 plus another \$30,000.00."

Alderman DeWolf: "That \$30,000.00 would produce 20,000 square feet of floor space."

Mr. Dumaresq: "That is correct."

Alderman DeWolf: "I would consider that that is very cheap for that value. I think it would be very good business and while we are at it we would probably be sorry after not to have spent the \$30,000.00."

Deputy Mayor: "There are several other factors which are involved other than just the production of floor space."

Alderman DeWolf: "Without knowing the other factors, to me \$20,000.00 for 20,000 square feet of floor space is a very cheap price."

Mr. Dumaresq pointed out two problems (1) Condensation caused by heating the basement space and (2) when the ice is melted, there could be the possibility of water seeping through the floor into the basement if there were any cracks in the same. He also pointed out that both problems could be overcome but the solutions would be expensive.



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Alderman Lane asked if the basement were not put in now, would it be a very high additional cost if the City wanted to develop it at a later date. "Must it be done now, if it is going to be done at all?"

Mr. Dumaresq: "If it is to be done under this building, it can only be done now. I would like to suggest, except that we may run out of land, that we might get equivalent square feet of storage."

Alderman Ferguson: "The risk of certain problems re-occurring in my mind would be too much of a risk even at the economic advantage, so my own thought would be to proceed with the fill as you could always have problems underneath."

Alderman Wyman: "There is an ice surface with a very small space around it. How wide is the space?"

Mr. Dumaresq: "10 feet".

Alderman Wyman: "It practically eliminates the possibility of use for any spectator sports if you want to use the whole ice surface."

Mr. Dumaresq: "I would say yes."

Alderman Fox: "I would like to know if the City of Halifax has any assurance that the Maritime Winter Fair is coming to Halifax? I am not against this expenditure of \$175,000.00 providing that the Maritime Winter Fair is coming to Halifax. I understand that they have pledged that coming into Halifax would be roughly \$500,000.00 to the merchants of Halifax. Another point is how much Recreation should the City of Halifax supply for the citizens? At one time we had the Halifax Arena which was private enterprise which supplied a certain amount of entertainment. Today it is gone and apparently the City of Halifax is the only body that is in the supplying of Recreation. I think every consideration should be given to the taxpayers before the expenditure is made."

Alderman Lloyd: "This proposal was not dependent upon the Maritime Winter Fair at all. However, having the building there, made it more attractive to them to come to Halifax but the construction of this ice surface is not dependent whatsoever upon the coming of the Winter Fair to

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Halifax. In other words, its revenue projections have nothing to do with the Maritime Winter Fair. This is a self-sustaining operation, it is a needed recreational activity and it provides an ice surface for many skating activities which are badly needed at this time. The fact that the arena has gone, only accentuates the need for such additional facilities."

Alderman Fox: "I would like to ask if this particular ice surface was suggested before the suggestion that the Winter Fair was coming to Halifax?"

Deputy Mayor: "Yes. This proposal has been before the Recreation Commission and recommended by them."

Alderman Lane: "Is there any projection as to the time the construction will start and when it will be completed?"

Mr. Dumarsais: "There should be skating after New Years Day."

Alderman Ferguson made reference to a possible problem of condensation from the metal in the roof.

Mr. Dumarsais: "That is a problem we discussed with Mr. Nicholson and he felt as I did, that if we move enough air which is what he does now, that we could avoid that problem."

Alderman Butler, viewing the sketch of the proposed rink, asked the question how the Public would get in and out of the building and where would they stand to watch the events.

Mr. Nicholson replied that the structure is designed as an all-purpose building and in the winter it would be used for hockey, skating and curling and in the summer and fall months bowling, dancing and roller skating. The Public can also go into the present Forum from the new building. Should the Maritime Winter Fair come to Halifax, this building could be used for stabling.

Deputy Mayor: "To answer Alderman Butler's question, it is anticipated that while spectator hockey is going on in the main building, demands for skating clubs and minor hockey, which don't require spectator space will be conducted in the annex. That is why it is a simple building with no spectator space around."

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In answer to a question from Alderman Macdonald, Mr. Nicholson stated that the new building would have its own dressing rooms, etc.

Alderman Connolly asked if the new rink would have the usual boards around the ice surface to which the Deputy Mayor replied in the affirmative.

Alderman Foxe: "I would say that I am all for this ice space providing the Maritime Winter Fair is coming into Halifax. Outside of that I am going to vote against."

Alderman Lloyd: "I don't think we should lead the Council to believe that the Maritime Winter Fair is going to be one of the tenants as we cannot say this is so. I support this project on the basis of the need for this ice service as a public utility to the City at this time."

Alderman Butler: "I am going to support this and the reason is because it is going to be self-sustaining and it will produce income. However, if it were not going to do that I would vote against it. I would vote for it because of the recreational aspect of it. I think at this time, with the money situation as it is, we have to be more than careful how we spend our money. I think there are many things in Halifax that we require, many things that we should have, but I don't think we should have them just now, but I will support it because of the self-supporting aspect."

The motion was then put and passed 10 voting for the same and 1 against as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, Ferguson, Trainer, Lloyd, Wyman, Connolly.

AGAINST IT: Alderman Foxe - 1 -

A formal Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$175,000.00 was submitted.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the Resolution be approved.

The motion was then put and passed 10 voting for the same and 1 against as follows:

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FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Butler,  
Ferguson, Trainor, Lloyd, Wyman, and Connelly - 10 -

AGAINST IT: Alderman Fox - 1 -

AGREEMENT CITY AND N.S. FOOTBALL LEAGUE - RE: WANDERERS GROUNDS

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Excise Committee held on September 10, 1959 an agreement was submitted between the City of Halifax and the Nova Scotia Football League for the year 1959 which was approved by the Recreation Commission at its last meeting.

Your Committee recommends that the agreement be forwarded to Council and that the City Solicitor confer with His Worship the Mayor and City Manager on the wording of the Liability Insurance Clause.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

City Manager: "The Mayor has not been here to confer but Mr. Mitchell and I have conferred on it and we would like to advise the Council that we had better stay out of this liability picture. We have liability covering the grounds, the physical facilities. The liability insurance referred to here is in case anything happens as between a player and a fan. Now, if we say nothing about that insurance except to say that they shall have it to read as they determine, that leaves us clearly out of the picture. It is possible that if there were some sort of a dispute between a player and a fan, that the fan might try to pull the City in on the suit. That would not cause us any discomfort because we would disclaim liability and say that we are not a party to it. We can't hope to control in any way what is going to happen between a player and a fan. I think if we stay with what was suggested, that they have the liability insurance as they deem advisable, that we have better protection than if we tried to specify what that amount should be."

Alderman Ferguson: "Is that the Solicitor's ruling on it?"

City Manager: "We have talked it over and that is what we agreed."

Alderman Abbott: "We own the land and we own the seats so could we disclaim liability if an accident took place with a spectator?"

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Acting City Solicitor: "It is not a question of an accident to a spectator who is sitting in the stands and the stands collapse. This refers to a fight that may develop between a player and a fan standing on the sidelines and during the ensuing battle the fan is badly injured due to the fracas and he sues the player individually. Since the City owns the grounds he just may, when he issues the writ, include the City but the City would not be liable in that case."

Alderman Ferguson: "The Association is not intending to carry any public liability to protect themselves if the stands collapse. I take that would be the case. The City has a coverage covering the City and I would hope that the coverage would be broad enough to protect the City under any circumstances. It is a little difficult for me to believe that the Association would rely on the City's liability. It may need some further investigation."

Acting City Solicitor: "In paragraph 18 with regard to Public Liability Insurance, we are saying to the Association that we certainly recommend that they should have public liability insurance themselves. The City, as far as liability may be incurred, is covered with its own public liability insurance."

Alderman Ferguson: "Is our policy broad enough to protect us under those circumstances?"

Acting City Solicitor: "I believe our policy is broad enough to protect us for any action with which a Court may find us liable."

Alderman Ferguson: "I hope we have adequate coverage on it. One time in the Recreation Commission our thought was that these associations or clubs would have to keep their public liability and the City would be mentioned into it. In other words, the City would have two forms of protection, the City's and the Club's."

City Manager: "The only thing we would be responsible for is if the stands collapsed."

Alderman Ferguson: "Or any kind of an injury on the ground."

City Manager: "Not if it happens to a player. We are not responsible for that as that is the insurance they should be taking out."

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Alderman Trainor: "Are they going to take that insurance out?"

City Managers: "They are going to take it out, but the amount would be up to them to determine rather than us tell them the amount."

Alderman Trainor: "I think we should tell them the amount."

City Manager: "You might be judged a party to that in a suit because you have made a specification."

Alderman Trainor: "They may only take an amount of \$5,000.00 and one case could use up that amount. What is going to happen then? I think we should suggest to them that they take out a liability policy in the amount of two or three hundred thousand dollars or maybe more."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think what the Alderman is trying to emphasize is that if we own and operate a public facility and we lease it to somebody, it is up to us to see that whoever leases it are providing adequate protection to the public. We have our Public Liability Insurance on everything, but this matter of a fracas between a player and a fan. The question of whether you have insurance or not, does not, to my knowledge, relieve you of liability and sometimes liability far in excess of your coverage, sometimes far short."

"As I understand liability insurance, it is a coverage for a liability which exists in law for injuries to another, irrespective of what you may have talked about by way of insurance policy for somebody else. Your liability exists or does not exist on its own feet regardless of whether you are covered by insurance or not. So, even if we were to say to this Association, 'we feel you should have adequate coverage to protect the fans and players', all we are interested in is that some protection be given to the fan and the player. Surely, our statement to the Association that such insurance should be carried, in no way, bears upon our liability."

Alderman Lane: "Is it not possible to include such terms in the Agreement in leasing the grounds to these people? Not that they must carry a certain amount, but that the City is not liable and they release the City from any liability. That cannot be done?"

The Deputy Mayor read Clause 18 of the proposed Agreement for the information of the members of Council.

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Alderman Trainor said the amount of coverage had to be determined.

Alderman Lloyd: "If there is an action for damages taken against the League by some injured fan, how much his solicitor may feel he has suffered by way of damages is not governed by the amount of coverage that we happen to ask them to cover at all. It is governed by what the solicitor and his client feel they have suffered by way of damages. The loss of a leg or an eye; these things are subject to the Court's decision and the circumstances. The individual claimant may have supplementary reasons to claim more than others. So that if we step in and say how much coverage is theirs, we would have to sit down and think of what are the risks involved and determine the amount of that coverage. If we wish to do so we can do so. On the other hand the League also faces the full responsibility for paying whatever damage may arise whether they cover themselves by insurance or not. We have performed our function as a public body and we say to you, 'Place adequate liability insurance,' and we assume that you will act in good faith in the matter."

Alderman Wyman: "The word adequate is in that clause, is it not?"

Acting City Solicitor: "No. The League undertakes to have public liability insurance in such amount as it deems necessary."

Alderman Wyman: "In the event that a person is injured and they claim a certain amount of damages, and the League is not in a position to pay that, do we have any responsibility for taking up any deficit?"

Acting City Solicitor: "It depends on how the injury was incurred. If it were a question of an injury due to a fight between a player and a spectator, the City would have no liability whatsoever. Let us assume that the spectator is severely injured, sues the League, is awarded an amount of \$10,000.00; their insurance is only for \$5,000.00 and there is a deficit of \$5,000.00. I am afraid the injured spectator would have to look to the League for the balance. They could not come to the City."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the agreement be approved and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute same on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

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ATTENDANCE - INSPECTOR HAROLD McISSAC AT ST. JOHN AMBULANCE ASSOCIATION  
INVESTITURE IN OTTAWA

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on September 8, 1959 consideration was given to a report from the Chief of Police recommending that the expenditure of \$100.00 be authorized to assist Inspector Harold McIssac to attend the Investiture of the St. John Ambulance Association in Ottawa where the rank of Officer Brother will be conferred upon him.

Your Committee approved the recommendation, funds to be provided from the current estimates for the Police Department.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

Alderman Trainor: "I think that a letter of congratulations should go out to that particular Inspector from Council for the work that he has carried out in the St. John Ambulance Association."

Moved by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD - #16 EDGEWOOD AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Modification of Sideyard - #16 Edgwood Avenue.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favor of modification of sideyard at #16 Edgwood Avenue.

On Motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANEIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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



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MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD - 1582 BARRINGTON STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Modification of Sideyard - #1582 Barrington Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favor of modification of sideyard at #1582 Barrington Street.

On Motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MAWEIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS

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

MODIFICATION OF SIDEYARD - 12-14 STANLEY PLACE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Modification of Sideyard - #12-14 Stanley Place.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending against an application for the modification of sideyard at #12-14 Stanley Place for the construction of a double car garage between the two buildings.

It was moved by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that the request for the modification of sideyard at #12-14 Stanley Place for the erection of a double car garage be granted as long as the garage is in conformity with the district and that no access be allowed off Stanley Place, and recommended same to City Council.

Motion passed.

Resepctfully submitted,

K.C. MANIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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RESUBDIVISION - #99 LADY HAMMOND ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Resubdivision - #99 Lady Hammond Road.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favor of a subdivision at #99 Lady Hammond Road, (Lots 16 and 17).

On Motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

EXTENSION OF A NON-CONFORMING USE -- #98 CONNAUGHT AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Extension of a non-conforming use - #98 Connaught Avenue.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending against an application for the extension of a non-conforming use at #98 Connaught Avenue.

On Motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Board agreed that the extension of a non-conforming use at #98 Connaught Avenue be permitted and recommended same to City Council.

Alderman Macdonald was recorded as being "against".

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

Alderman Macdonald stated that he opposed this application because the building is in an R-1 Zone and an extension of a non-conforming use.

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The Assistant City Solicitor stated that under Paragraph 15 of the Zoning By-Law, Council may permit the extension of a non-conforming use of a building if it were occupied at the time and passing of the By-Law and this building was in that category.

The motion was then put and passed.

APPLICATION FOR BARBER SHOP - 301 SPRING GARDEN ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Application for Barber Shop - #301 Spring Garden Road.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending that legislation be sought legalizing both the barber shop and beauty parlour occupancies at #301 Spring Garden Road.

On Motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Trainor, the Board agreed that the necessary legislation be obtained to permit the operation of a barber shop and beauty parlour at #301 Spring Garden Road by the present occupants only, (Mr. and Mrs. R. Giffin) and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

The Assistant City Solicitor explained the purpose of the legislation for the information of the Council.

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

MODIFICATION OF FRONTYARD - #301 BARRINGTON STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Modification of Frontyard - #301 Barrington Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Director of Planning recommending in favor of modification of frontyard at #301 Barrington Street.

On Motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Trainor, the Board approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANTIN,  
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Moved by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

USE OF COMMONS - HALIFAX HARNESS HORSE CLUB

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Use of Commons - Halifax Harness Horse Club.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date, considered a request from the Halifax Harness Horse Club for use of the North Commons from October 1, 1959, until May 1, 1960 for the purpose of racing horses.

On Motion of Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, the Committee agreed to grant permission to the Halifax Harness Club to use the North Commons for horse racing from October 1, 1959 to May 1, 1960, at the fee of \$1200.00 and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANNIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Alderman Macdonald: "This is another one that I opposed in the Board of Works because I think the time has come to discontinue the use of the Commons for horse racing. I don't see that it is really filling any good purpose and I think it is retarding the program for the development and improvement on the Commons because I understand that there are some plans to start an improvement program this Fall. I think they have had quite a long time to enjoy the privilege of operating on the Commons and it is time to take over now and make the Commons what it should be as a more attractive place where the sports are carried out during the summer. There is another thing about it and that is that it is unsightly. The area on North Park Street from Cunard Street to Cogswell Street is just completely bare of any grass at all. I think it is time that we should put the Commons into a more presentable and respectable condition and do away with the racing."

The Deputy Mayor asked the Commissioner of Works if the work on the Commons was being proceeded with this fall.

Commissioner of Works: "We were asked for a further report on that; and we are coming up with a plan and a proposal for the re sodding of that area, but just whether it can be done this fall I am not prepared to say."

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Alderman Fox: "I must disagree with Alderman Macdonald. Horse racing takes place in Ward 4 and I believe the fee suggested by the Board of Works was \$1,200.00."

The Deputy Mayor stated that the fee was \$1.00 last year but that he understood the Club made a gift to the City.

Alderman Fox: "May I suggest that the Club appreciates the generosity of the Council to allow them to have their races there, but they operated at a loss last year. The Club does not receive any revenue from the pari-mutuel."

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Halifax Harness Horse Club be permitted to use the North Commons for horse racing from October 1, 1959 to May 1, 1960, at a fee of \$800.00.

Alderman Lane: "I think there was also a provision in the agreement that this will be the last year they will have the privilege. That has been, I think, conveyed to the Halifax Harness Horse Club. In seconding the motion, I think that should be emphasized for the benefit of the Council."

Deputy Mayor: "Is there an agreement to that effect that this will be the last year?"

Alderman Lane: "That is what the Committee on Works passed."

Acting City Solicitor: "It could be incorporated."

Alderman Lane: "I think that was the motion at the Committee on Works meeting."

Deputy Mayor: "The motion here does not include that."

Alderman Butler: "We have the prerogative next year not to grant it, so I see no need to insert that. If we are going to give it to them, let us give it. The agreement is only for one year anyway."

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

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PROPOSED LIST OF STREETS FOR PLANTING NEW TREES

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Proposed list of streets for planting new trees.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending a list of streets for new trees in the 1959 fall tree planting program.

On Motion of Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman O'Brien the Committee approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.O. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works.  
From: G.F. West, Commissioner of Works.  
Date: September 4, 1959.  
Subject: Proposed List of Streets for Planting New Trees.

Below is the list of streets recommended for new trees in our 1959 fall tree planting program.

<u>STREETS</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>SIDE</u>	<u>TREES</u>
Bayers Rd.	Windsor St. to Oxford St.	South	16
Young St.	Windsor St. to Connolly St.	Both	67
Robie St.	High St. to Memorial Dr.	West	12
Basin View Dr.	Cor. of Robie St.		2
South Bland St.	From Atlantic St. to #35 S. Bland St.	East	11
Summer St.	University Ave. to College St.	East	9
Chebucto Rd.	Windsor St. to Willow St.	North	24
Chebucto Rd.	Windsor St. to Oxford St.	South	29
Windsor St.	Chebucto Rd. to Charles St.	West	7
Windsor St.	From 93 Windsor to Charles St.	East	7
Connaught Ave.	From Regent Rd. to 599 Connaught Ave.	East	39
Blenheim Terr.	South St. to Dead End	Both	4
	Total No. of Trees		227
	Cost per Tree	\$5.75	
	Total cost of Trees	\$1,305.25	

G.F. WEST,  
Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed..

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PROGRESS ESTIMATE #8 RE: MATERIAL AND EQUIPMENT FOR NEW INCINERATOR (FRANCIS  
I. HANKIN & CO. LTD.)

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Progress Estimate #8 - Re: Material and Equipment for New  
Incinerator (Francis Hankin & Co. Ltd.)

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending payment of Progress Estimate #8 - Re: Material and Equipment for the New Incinerator.

On Motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Committee recommended to City Council payment of Progress Estimate #8, Re: Material and Equipment for the New Incinerator in the amount of \$33,100.20 to Francis Hankin & Co. Ltd.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANNEN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

SEWER INSTALLATIONS - ASCOT AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: September 8, 1959.  
Subject: Sewer - Ascot Avenue.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date, considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending the installation of a sewer on Ascot Avenue for a distance of 240 feet.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, the Committee approved the report and recommended it to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K.C. MANNEN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

ORDINANCE #22 EARLY CLOSING SHOPS - FIRST READING

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on

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September 10, 1959 Ordinance #23 respecting the "Early Closing of Shops" was submitted.

Your Committee recommends that the Ordinance be read and passed a first time and referred back to this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

McInnes, Cooper & Robertson  
Barristers, Solicitors, etc.,  
35 Bedford Row, Halifax.

September 17th, 1959.

Dear Sirs:

Re: Early Closing of Shops

Due to the difficulty which has arisen as a result of the inclusion in the enabling legislation of the word "realty", in reference to dealers in food, the Retail Committee of the Board of Trade has asked me to request that the entire matter be deferred until such time as new legislation can be obtained in which the word "realty" is changed to "occupancy".

I am also in agreement with your opinion that this legislation should be a part of the City Charter, rather than in a separate Statute.

Would you therefore be good enough to advise the Council that no representation will be made to-morrow night.

Yours very truly,

(Sgd.) Hector McInnes.

Mr. Leonard Mitchell  
Assistant City Solicitor  
City Hall  
HALIFAX, N.S.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of Finance & Executive Committee.  
From: L. Mitchell, Acting City Solicitor.  
Date: September 10, 1959.  
Subject: Ordinance #23 - Early Closing of Shops.

This new enactment would control all stores that retail goods in the City with the exception of barber shops, stores exempted by Section 3 of the Ordinance, and stores that merely provide services.

However, upon its passage, not only would Old Ordinance #11 be repealed, but Ordinance #11 as well. Ordinance #11 deals with boot and shoe repair shops. If Ordinance #11 is to remain in force, legislation must be obtained to enable City Council to pass an Ordinance replacing #11.

This department is in receipt of two letters from Mr. Sealey, Georgian Antique Shop, objecting to the passing of this Ordinance.

Yours truly,

L. Mitchell  
Acting City Solicitor.



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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee.

Alderman Ferguson: "I was going to move that the matter be deferred as requested in the letter. I was just wondering where there is a motion for the matter to be deferred if the people who are here still want to make representations."

Alderman DeWolf: "I would like to say that the people who are here asking to be heard should be notified in some way. It should be put in the Press before it is to be considered as from the Board of Trade or at the time the Board of Trade come here again. I think these people who are objecting should have that opportunity. Normally, the Board of Trade would be notified that this matter would be coming up at a certain meeting, but the people who are objecting have no way of knowing about it. I think before it is heard at any meeting, a notice should be put in the Press, so that the people who are against this can make their representations."

Alderman Lane: "Certainly, the feeling among most of the people who called me was against the passing of a By-law of any kind concerning Early Closing. So, I think some mature thought should be given to it, not only by the Retail Section of the Board of Trade, but also by the Finance and Executive Committee. The fact that this has come up without any recommendation signifies to me that the Finance and Executive Committee must have been quite unenthusiastic about it when they read it. So any deferment as far as I am concerned, could be almost indefinite."

Alderman Lloyd: "Is there any public notice required for a hearing in connection with a proposed By-Law?"

Deputy Mayor: "The Assistant City Solicitor advises us that there is no provision for a Public Hearing."

Alderman Ferguson: "The main point in Finance and Executive Committee was that the definition should be well looked into because we discussed that at some length. There is a difference between the occupancy and realty tax which wasn't too clear. It was my opinion that it was sent up for first reading to consider it in the usual way."

Alderman Lloyd: "The first reading is purely a formality and does not bear the endorsement of the Finance and Executive Committee. I think it is clearly understood that a member very often will vote for a matter to go up for

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the first reading with a lot of reservations in his mind about coming to the Council floor. I can give you my own thoughts on the matter. The Retail Section of the Board of Trade had reported that they had up to 75% of the merchants or better in favour of the existing law with some teeth in it as compared with what we had. I was then advised that in their efforts not to bring hardship on neighbourhood grocery shops who do most of their business at night time, they assured us that they were providing an exemption clause to exempt these merchants. In the Committee Alderman DeWolf raised the question about improvement -- if a man improves his property, he may improve himself out of business; and that is where the first question was raised, and we started examining the law more critically. And we came to the conclusion that there was a hazard here to a lot of people in business and that we should not legislate them out of business. So, we requested that the By-Law be sent up for first reading with a request to the City Manager that he obtain from the Retail Section of the Board of Trade their understanding of this legislation: Does this meet with what they intended it to meet? Because if it did, then certainly, we would have to seek some revisions because it was doing the very thing we could not approve of; and it was on that basis that it came to Council, solely in the hope that there was nothing wrong with our interpretation."

Alderman Fox: "I believe there are several people in the Council Chamber who would like to be heard and I feel they should be heard."

Alderman Wyman stated that he thought it would be much better to allow the people to be heard when this matter was under discussion by the Finance and Executive Committee as subsequent Committee action might obviate the necessity for objection by the small business man.

At the suggestion of Alderman Lloyd it was agreed to hear any person wishing to speak on the matter.

Captain Peter Seeley of the Georgian Antique Shop Limited spoke at some length and the gist of his remarks was that he thought the matter should not be deferred, but completely thrown out because he felt the Board of Trade or anyone else had no right to tell anyone how many hours they are allowed to work.

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Mr. V. Allen stated that he doubted the legality of such a law that would try to curb the number of hours a man wished to work. He felt that the proposed Ordinance was discriminatory. "No law should be allowed to come into force that would give a minority group such a right to the detriment of a majority group. The majority group in this case is certainly the small shop keepers."

J. E. Ahern, M.L.A.: "How long are we going to permit the Board of Trade to dictate to the City Council? I think the time has arrived when we must say to the Board of Trade 'mind your own business' because they are the representative of big business and the small grocer must have the same privilege as the big business man. I am quite peeved that anybody should dictate to the people of my riding. When this matter came to the House of Assembly last year, I had the privilege to vote against it and I shall do so again because I don't think this discrimination should be encouraged by the City Council. I think this Ordinance should be thrown out. No person has the right to say whether John Jones should keep open till 10 o'clock or on Sunday, Monday or Tuesday. I suggest to the Council that they tell the Board of Trade to mind their own business."

Mr. Church also addressed Council and said he opposed the proposed By-Law.

Acting City Solicitor: "I would just like to refer to one of the statements made by a speaker as to the legality of the Council to pass an Ordinance. It is perfectly within the power of Council to pass it."

Alderman Lloyd: "I think these statements are excellent and I am glad that they have been made. I wish these people will leave this Chamber with the understanding that this Council had already questioned the Legislation. The Committee questioned the Legislation. We held it up and we asked for information and we provided this opportunity for them to be heard. We have no desire to legislate anyone out of business and I am sure everyone is unanimous in this Council that we don't intend to do so."

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Alderman Wyman: "It was said that a group who represent a majority are being formed by a minority. We are not permitted under the Provincial Statute, under which we would pass such an Ordinance to pass it unless 75% of the businesses that would be affected, have signified that they want it. It cannot be done by a minority. It should be mentioned that an Ordinance of this type and very similar to the one that is proposed, has been on our books since 1903."

Deputy Mayor: "When the matter is again discussed by the Finance and Executive Committee, I am sure that anyone who wishes to be heard or present their views will have the opportunity to do so."

The motion was put and passed.

ORDINANCE #8 -- CITY PRISON -- FIRST READING

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on September 10, 1959 Ordinance #8 respecting the City Prison was submitted.

Your Committee recommends that the Ordinance be read and passed a first time and referred back to this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

ORDINANCE #53 BOUNDARIES OF CITY OF HALIFAX -- FIRST READING

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on September 10, 1959 Ordinance #53 respecting the "Increasing of the City Boundaries" was submitted.

Your Committee recommends that Ordinance #53 be read and passed a first time and referred back to this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

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TAG DAY - MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS - OCTOBER 30, 1959

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on September 10, 1959, had for consideration an application from the Multiple Sclerosis Society to hold a Tag Day on October 30, 1959.

Your Committee recommends that the application be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK

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

EVALUATION OF PENSION PLAN

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on September 10, 1959 a letter was submitted from Wm. M. Mercer Ltd., advising that they would undertake an evaluation of the Superannuation Plan for a fee of \$2,000.00.

Your Committee recommends that the Plan be evaluated by this firm for the fee mentioned and that the sum be provided under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

REPORT REDEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE RE: MAITLAND STREET PARKING LOT

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

At a meeting of the Redevelopment Committee held on September 4, 1959 consideration was given to a request of the Göttingen Street Merchants Association that a temporary parking lot be provided on a portion of the site of the Maitland Street Parking Lot, i.e., from Civic #18 to Civic #19 Maitland Street. This scheme would provide parking for approximately fifty-five cars at an estimated cost of \$4,550.00 of which \$3,900.00 will be shared with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and that the sum of \$4,550.00 be authorized for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

R.H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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

TENDERS - PAVILION BARRACKS

This item was removed from the agenda.

RECEPTION OF PETITION AND DELEGATIONS

No petitions were submitted and no delegations were heard.

SALE OF LAND - CHAIN ROCK DRIVE

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: September 8, 1959.

Subject: Sale of Land - (Chain Rock Drive)

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date, considered the matter of land on Crow's Nest Drive.

On Motion of Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainer, the Committee agreed to defer the matter until after the report of the Bridge Consultants was submitted on the proposed North West Arm Bridge.

Respectfully submitted

K.S. MANTON,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Trainer, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

LIGHTING - FAIRVIEW OVERPASS

Alderman Butler: "Could I be informed as to whether or not there is going to be any kind of lighting at the Fairview Overpass?"

Commissioner of Works: "We had a meeting with the Highway Department on the lighting. In fact, our City Electrician has met with the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co. Ltd. to investigate the possibilities of the various types of lighting and it seems to be the consensus of opinion that a steel standard and underground wiring would be the most desirable but it hasn't been decided definitely as yet. It is a problem that is under discussion and a decision should be reached in the very near future."

Alderman Butler: "I would presume that that is not part of the contract."

Commissioner of Works: "No."

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TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENTS - RANNIE DRIVE

Alderman Trainor commended the Police Department for the traffic improvements carried out on Rannie Drive and he said that there are a number of streets which could be improved by similar treatment. He also referred to the improvements being effected at the corner of Duke and Brunswick Streets and expressed regret that wooden poles and overhead wiring are being erected instead of underground wiring.

PAINTING - POLES

Alderman Trainor referred to the fact that power and telegraph poles were painted in past years and he asked that the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited and the Maritime Telephone and Telegraph Company Limited be requested to resume the practice of painting the poles.

The Commissioner of Works was requested to look into the matter.

PROPOSED LEGISLATION - CONDUCT OF PUBLIC INVESTIGATIONS

Alderman Lloyd: "I propose to introduce some legislation with respect to the matter of the City Charter provision for the conduct of Public Investigations into any matter or thing pertaining to the City Government of Halifax. In order to make a point in connection with this legislation which I think will be constructive, it may be necessary to deal with some matters and the question of the rights and privileges of the members of this Council are concerned. It will be necessary for me beforehand to consult our Legal branch on the matter of privilege; and by that I refer to the qualified privilege which extends to a member of the Legislature or of the House of Commons. In both those bodies they have certain rules and regulations. It is pretty difficult to know just what is the privilege of the members of this Council with respect to some matters and I will find it necessary to consult the Legal branch of the City on this matter and they may have to do some work in connection with it. I wonder if that is within my right as an Alderman. I don't want to ask for work-loads on the Legal branch to look into a matter of this kind without it being approved by the Mayor, Council and the City Manager. I am referring to questions of privilege, not with any particular matter in mind at the moment. It may be germane to a

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matter which I am going to deal with later. I think we do need to examine this question of privilege that extends to Aldermen. In other words, what protection do we have in statements to be made in this Council and what rules and regulations should be applied to the use of that privilege when it is being exercised?"

Deputy Mayor: "I am sure, Alderman, that the office of the City Solicitor will extend you every possible courtesy at any time."

Alderman Lloyd: "I don't think it would be right for me to take time in pursuing the matter unless the City Manager knows that the members of his staff are being called upon in the matter. I know he would, personally, give me his co-operation at any time and so would the Mayor, but I think it is better for the Council to know that this matter of the privilege of Council, the rules and regulations governing Council members who are exercising the qualified privilege in the Council, are set forth for our guidance so that if the matter should be raised at any time there will be no question about rights."

The Deputy Mayor stated that if the problem were taken to the City Manager and he feels it should be referred to Council, he will do so. "In any event, he will give you full co-operation," he said.

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the best thing to do is to proceed with the inquiries directly to the Manager and he can channel it to the Solicitor's branch, and in due time we will have some answers no doubt from that division."

#### TAX EXEMPTION - WIDOWS

Alderman Connolly: "I had a request in the past few months from widows looking for an exemption in taxation. They tell me in conversation that the County has some sort of a plan where the assessment value is relaxed to them. So, I checked with the City Assessor and I find that the maximum a widow can get off her taxes in the City is \$5.50. In the County



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of Halifax the widows are given an exemption of \$2,500.00 providing they live in the County and their income is less than \$1500.00. In Dartmouth they are given \$1500.00 off the assessment providing their income isn't over \$2,000.00. I wonder if this matter was ever gone into by Council or Committee."

City Manager: "There is a school exemption for widows and it was considered at one time with the thought of abolishing it altogether, but Council finally decided to leave it 'as is'."

It was agreed that the matter be placed on the agenda of the next meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee.

SIGN - FAIRVIEW OVERPASS

Alderman Butler: "With respect to the Fairview Overpass, is there any plan to have any attractive signs somewhere in that vicinity for tourists and other people coming into the City, something that would be lighted up and that would be quite presentable and have a little story on it to explain where they are coming to and what it is all about?"

Alderman Ferguson: "There used to be a sign down in the old Underpass giving certain information which was put there by one of the firms with advertising on it. When the Overpass gets in a very presentable state, that certainly would be looked into."

Alderman Butler: "I think that is one thing we can afford at this time and I don't think we should depend on local firms to do this for us as I think that is a public project."

Alderman Ferguson stated that he was not inferring that it be done by private enterprise.

The matter was referred to the Finance Committee.

HAZARDOUS DUTIES - POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS

Alderman Lane referred to the Police and Fire Departments carrying out additional duties in connection with the loading and unloading of explosives, and the searching of buildings as a result of bomb scares. She asked if any provision is made to compensate the families in the event of injury or the death of the members of the staff. She suggested that a survey of these duties be made to ascertain what regulations pertain.

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City Manager: "We can make inquiries. We do two things now -- (1) Any civic employee who gets hurt in the line of duty such as a fireman who was burned quite badly about five years ago, they get the best of everything with no expenses spared, and (2) There is a special formula with regard to pension for the widows of men who are hurt in hazardous occupations. If a fireman or policeman is unfortunately killed in the line of duty, we have a formula to follow which gives the widow three quarters of the pension he would have received had he lived to retirement age."

Commissioner of Finance: "It gives the widow the full pension that the employee would have received at retirement age."

Alderman Lane: "That is on an ex-gratia basis. Is it not?"

City Manager: "That is a formula. They paid a certain amount of money into the pension fund which wouldn't give them that amount of pension on the regular formula. So, we take whatever has been paid and say, 'paid in full', just as if he had lived to the pensionable age."

Alderman Lane: "Would it not be better to have it regularized and as 'a matter of right' instead of 'a matter of privilege', and I still would like to know what is the custom in other cities, regardless of size."

City Manager: "We can find that out. I think it is a matter of right, now."

Commissioner of Finance: "I am pretty sure it is mandatory, now."

Alderman Lane asked that definite information be supplied and the Chairman said that the matter would be placed on the agenda of a subsequent meeting of the Safety Committee.

#### 1960 BUDGET

Alderman Lloyd: "In about 90 days we will be receiving another budget. What are the general organizational plans? Could the City Manager give us a rundown on the information as to this year's budget?"

City Manager: "I have written to the Departments and Commissions and asked them to take the report as of September 30th which they would receive about the 10th of October. On November 2nd they come to me and as rapidly as we can get it together, we will get it into the hands of the Aldermen. I am still trying to get this in shape so that we can get it passed before the first of the year, yet with Christmas holidays coming up it is quite difficult."