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**Resolution** MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REPAIRS - FIRE DAMAGED WELLINGTON COURT UNITS

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on February 8, 1962, a report was submitted from the Town Planning Board recommending that authority be granted to repair two apartment units at Wellington Court which were damaged by fire, the estimated cost of \$1,850.00 to be provided by insurance settlement.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

The motion was put and passed, eight voting for the same and four against it, as follows:

FOR: Aldermen Abbott, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, Meagher, Healy, Wyman and Connolly.

AGAINST: Aldermen DeWolf, LeBlanc, Trainor and O'Brien.

**RESOLUTIONS RE:**

- (1) EXTENSION OF TIME FOR TRANSMITTAL OF 1962 ESTIMATES TO COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE TO APRIL 15, 1962.
- (2) EXTENSION OF TIME FOR CALCULATING RATES AND TAXES DUE TO JUNE 1, 1962.
- (3) EXTENSION OF TIME BEFORE INTEREST CHARGES BECOME EFFECTIVE TO JULY 1, 1962 AND FIXING THE RATE AT 7%.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on February 8, 1962, the following resolutions were approved and recommended to Council:

- (1) Extension of time for transmittal of 1962 estimates to Commissioner of Finance, to April 15, 1962;
- (2) Extension of time for calculating rates and taxes due to June 1, 1962;
- (3) Extension of time before interest charges become effective to July 1, 1962 and fixing the rate at 7%.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

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Resolution No. 1

WHEREAS by subsection (5) of Section 312 of the City Charter of the City of Halifax, as that subsection is enacted by Section 5 of Chapter 65 of the Acts of 1961, it is provided that notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (4) of said Section 312, the Council may, in respect of the year 1962, by resolution extend the date of transmitting the estimates to the Commissioner of Finance and Accounts to the fifteenth day of April.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Halifax that in respect of the year 1962, the date of transmitting the estimates to the Commissioner of Finance and Accounts shall be on or before the fifteenth day of April.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Healy that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Resolution No. 2

WHEREAS by clause (a) of subsection (3) of Section 280 of the City Charter of the City of Halifax, it is provided that the Chief Accountant shall, on or before the first day of May calculate the amount of the rates or taxes which each person assessed is liable to pay and shall make and serve every person liable to pay the same with a notice bearing the name of the Commissioner of Finance and Accounts, requiring such person to pay such taxes or rates to the Collector;

AND WHEREAS pursuant to an amendment to said clause (a) of subsection (3) of Section 280, made by Section 4 of Chapter 65 of the Acts of 1961, it is provided that, pursuant to a resolution of Council the time for calculating the said rates and taxes may, in respect of the year 1962, be extended to the first day of June.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Halifax that in respect of the year 1962 the Chief Accountant shall, on or before the first day of June, calculate the rates and taxes which each person assessed is liable to pay and shall make and serve every person liable to pay the same with a notice, bearing the name of the Commissioner of Finance and Accounts requiring such person to pay such taxes and rates to the Collector.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

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Resolution No. 3

WHEREAS by subsection (1) of Section 425 of the City Charter of the City of Halifax, as that section is enacted by Section 7 of Chapter 63 of the Acts of 1957, the Council may by resolution passed on or before the first day of March in any year require the payment of rates and taxes to be made to the Collector on or before the day to be named therein;

AND WHEREAS by subsection (2) of said Section 425 of the City Charter as aforesaid, the Council may by resolution passed on or before the first day of March in any year, provide that on all rates and taxes remaining unpaid on the day to be named therein interest shall be payable thereon until the same are paid at such rate as Council may from time to time by resolution determine, and such rate so determined shall continue in effect to such time as Council shall otherwise determine.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that in respect of the year 1962, all rates and taxes assessed shall become due and payable to the Collector on the first day of July.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that on all rates and taxes assessed in respect of the year 1962 and which are unpaid to the Collector on or before the first day of July in the said year 1962, interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum shall be payable.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Healy, that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

RECOMMENDATION TO ENGAGE COMPETENT CONSULTANTS TO ADVISE THE CITY ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE TRANSIT OPERATIONS OF THE NOVA SCOTIA LIGHT & POWER CO. LTD.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on February 8, 1962, a letter dated February 6, 1962, was submitted from the General Manager of the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited advising that the Company's transit division has been operating at a loss for the past number of years and because of the accumulated loss since 1950 of \$850,000.00 and anticipated future losses, the Company cannot continue to operate with such a deficit; and he suggested one of three alternatives, as follows:

1. To apply not later than April of 1962 for a substantial increase in trolley coach fares, together with considerable curtailment of service. This is not recommended by the Company if it is considered that the continuance of a mass transportation system is necessary in the City of Halifax. The experience across the North American Continent has been that increased fares drive the passengers away from a transit system, and such a step would lead to abandonment.

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2. To reach agreement with the City of Halifax with respect to financial support to the extent that the Company receive a "just and reasonable" return on rate base. The City of course to participate in determining policy as to curtailments, fares, etc.
3. To reach agreement with the City of Halifax whereby the City of Halifax would purchase the Transit operation of the Company.

His Worship the Mayor recommended that the services of competent consultants be engaged to advise the City what course of action should be followed, it being realized that a mass transportation system is vital to the business life of downtown Halifax and the development of the City as a whole.

It was agreed that His Worship the Mayor and City Manager be requested to examine the matter of the transit situation and report their recommendations to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

To: The Members of City Council

From: Mayor John E. Lloyd

Date: February 15, 1962

Dear Aldermen:

Mr. A. R. Harrington, Vice President and General Manager of Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited, in his letter of February 6, 1962, set forth his Company's position with respect to transit operations. In essence the Company indicates a desire to discontinue its trolley coach service within the City of Halifax and requests the City to agree to purchase the existing system. Should the City reject the offer of sale the Company declares it is faced with two alternatives:

- (1) Substantially increased fares and considerably curtailed service.
- (2) Continue the service under subsidy from the City.

It is evident that fare increases and curtailment of service would lead to loss of passenger revenue and eventually abandonment of the transit service. It would increase the difficulty of restoring a desirable volume of passenger usage.

If the City is faced with subsidization and participation in determining policy as to curtailment, fares, etc., etc., we should carefully consider that position compared with a City-operated system integrated with or part of a regional transit authority.

The proposals of the Company confront us with a major financial problem. It is imperative that we be certain that the Company is not under any legal obligation to operate a transit system in the City of Halifax before we consider the implications of the alternative proposals.

It is my recommendation that the Finance and Executive Committee -

- (1) Undertake a study of existing agreements with the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company Limited and its predecessors to determine what legal obligation rests with the Company, if any, to maintain a transit system.

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- (2) Study the implications of the alternative proposals of the Company should it not be under any obligation to continue the transit system.
- (3) Recommend to Council whether or not the services of competent consultive authorities are required for the Committee's purposes and the terms of reference under which such authorities would be engaged and compensated and who should be so appointed.

Yours very truly,

JOHN E. LLOYD,  
MAYOR.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the recommendation of His Worship the Mayor be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman O'Brien contended that consideration of the matter of vehicular movement and parking in the downtown area is more important than the ownership of the transit system, and he requested that a study of these matters be made by the Finance and Executive Committee or the Safety Committee, in view of the fact that the City now has available the professional services of a Traffic Engineer.

ABANDONMENT-EXPROPRIATION PROCEEDINGS - HALIFAX RELIEF  
COMMISSION PROPERTY - INDUSTRIAL MILE AREA

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

From: Committee on Works

Date: February 14, 1962

Subject: Abandonment - Expropriation Proceedings - Halifax Relief Commission  
Property - Industrial Mile Area

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending that the expropriation of the Halifax Relief Commission lands within the Industrial Mile be abandoned.

On motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Healy, the Committee recommended to City Council that the action for compensation with respect to the expropriation of the lands of the Halifax Relief Commission in the Industrial Mile Area be proceeded with and that the appraised value of \$32,000 be paid into Court.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

A Resolution, as prepared by the Deputy City Solicitor, to withdraw the sum of \$32,000.00 from the Land Sale Account, was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the Resolution be approved and referred to the Minister of Municipal Affairs. Motion passed.

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ALTERATION - SUBDIVISION - CORNER OF MORRIS & HOLLIS STREETS

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council  
From: Town Planning Board  
Date: February 6, 1962  
Subject: Hearing - Alteration to a Subdivision - Corner of Morris & Hollis Sts.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date held a public hearing in regard to a request for an alteration to a subdivision at the corner of Morris and Hollis Streets as shown on Drawing No. P200/517, 00-9-15272.

This public hearing was held in accordance with provisions of Section 727(c) of the City Charter.

No persons appeared against the application.

On motion of Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, the Board approved the alteration to a subdivision at the corner of Morris and Hollis Streets as shown on Drawing No. P200/517, 00-9-15272, and recommended the same to City Council.

Alderman Macdonald was recorded as being "against".

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman DeWolf, that the report be approved with Aldermen Macdonald, Healy and O'Brien wishing to be recorded against.

ALTERATION - SUBDIVISION - NO. 168 LADY HAMMOND ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council  
From: Town Planning Board  
Date: February 6, 1962  
Subject: Alteration to a Subdivision - No. 168 Lady Hammond Road

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending in favour of an alteration to a subdivision at No. 168 Lady Hammond Road as shown on Drawing No. P200/533, 00-9-15314, in accordance with Section 727 (c) of the City Charter and that no public hearing be held.

On motion of Alderman Wyman, 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 Wyman, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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ALTERATION - SUBDIVISION - NO. 3 FERN STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council  
From: Town Planning Board  
Date: February 6, 1962  
Subject: Alteration to a Subdivision - No. 3 Fern Street

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending in favour of: (1) an alteration to a subdivision at No. 3 Fern Street as shown on Drawing No. P200/526, 00-9-15306 in accordance with Section 727 (c) of the City Charter and that no public hearing be held, and (2) a modification of lot area at No. 3 Fern Street as shown on Drawing No. P200/526, 00-9-15306 in accordance with Part XV, Paragraph (g) of the Zoning By-Law and that no public hearing be held.

On motion of Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, 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 Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SERVICE STATION - NO. 110 BRUNSWICK STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council  
From: Town Planning Board  
Date: February 6, 1962  
Subject: Service Station - 110 Brunswick Street

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending either the application be deferred for further discussions on design or the application be refused if it was to be considered on the basis of the design previously submitted.

The applicant indicated to the Board that the Company would erect a service station designed as requested by the Director of Planning.

On motion of Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Wyman, the Board approved the application for the erection of a service station at 110 Brunswick Street and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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MODIFICATION OF LOT AREA - FRONTAGE & SIDEYARD - NO.116 LONDON STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council  
From: Town Planning Board  
Date: February 6, 1962  
Subject: Modification of Lot Area, Frontage & Sideyard - No.116 London Street

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager, recommending in favour of a modification of lot area, frontage and sideyard at No. 116 London Street as shown on Plan No.P200/525, in accordance with Part XV, Paragraph (f) of the Zoning By-Law and that no public hearing be held.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SALE OF LOTS - EDWARD ARAB AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council  
From: Committee on Works  
Date: February 8, 1962  
Subject: Sale of Lots - Edward Arab Avenue

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager in regard to the disposal of City land on Edward Arab Avenue. Accompanying the report was also a proposed tender form call.

After discussion it was moved by Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report and tender form be recommended to City Council for approval subject to the following amendments:

City Manager's Report - Sections 3, 4 (a) and 4(e)

Tender Form - Sections 3 (a), 4 and 5.

These sections were amended and the final draft will be submitted to Council with the necessary amendments to the above sections.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed with Aldermen Healy and O'Brien wishing to be recorded against.



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MODIFICATION OF LOT, FRONTAGE AND SIDEYARD -- NO. 1058 TOWER ROAD

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: February 6, 1962.

Subject: Modification of Lot, Frontage and Sideyard -- No. 1058 (248) Tower Rd.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending in favour of a modification of lot frontage and sideyard at No. 1058 (248) Tower Road as shown on Drawing No. P200/530, in accordance with Part XV, Paragraph (f) of the Zoning By-law and that no public hearing be held.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

MODIFICATION OF LOT, FRONTAGE AND AREA -- NO. 98A ALLEN STREET

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: February 6, 1962.

Subject: Modification of Lot Frontage and Area - 98A Allen Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending in favour of a modification of lot frontage and lot area at 98A Allen Street as shown on Drawing No. P200/531 in accordance with Part XV, Paragraph (g) of the Zoning By-law and that no public hearing be held, provided that the dwelling erected on the lot includes a garage.

The Board requested that the following be added to the last line of the report -- "in accordance with the plan submitted".

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

From: P. F. C. Byars, City Manager.

Date: February 6, 1962.

Subject: Modification of Lot Frontage and Area - No. 98A Allen Street.

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An application has been received from the owner of the above property for modification of lot frontage and area in order to build a single family dwelling. The property is located on the south side of Allen Street between Monastery Lane and Harvard Street in an R-2 Residential zone, and is shown on Drawing No. P200/531.

The lot measures 26.5 feet by 122 feet, and has an area of 3,233 square feet. The lot is flanked by two existing dwellings and could not be properly developed without the requested modifications.

The proposed dwelling includes a basement garage and it is considered that the request should be granted.

It is recommended, therefore, that the Board refers to City Council a report of approval on modification of lot frontage and lot area at 98A Allen Street as shown on Drawing No. P200/531 in accordance with Part XV, paragraph (g) of the Zoning By-law, and that no public hearing be held, provided that the dwelling erected on the lot includes a garage.

Respectfully submitted,

P. F. C. Byars,  
CITY MANAGER.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REQUEST FOR USE OF OLD STONE WAREHOUSE, CENTRAL WHARF PROPERTY  
AND LOAN OF \$30,000.00 TO ASSIST IN RENOVATION OF THE BUILDING -  
MARITIME MUSEUM OF CANADA

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: February 6, 1962.

Subject: Maritime Museum Request.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a request from the Maritime Museum of Canada requesting permission to use the old stone warehouse on the Central Wharf property and also requesting a loan of \$30,000.00 from the City to assist in the renovation of the building for their purposes.

The City Manager in his report to the Board recommended that the Maritime Museum be informed that there is nothing that can be done at this time in respect of their request. At the same time the Museum can be informed that the City, while accepting no legal responsibility for rehousing the Museum, will do what it can to assist in finding alternative accommodation during the next year.

The Manager also stated in his report that the Museum has asked for a \$6,000.00 grant for 1962 and for future years and that he would recommend that an annual grant in the amount of \$6,000.00 be approved for the year 1962 and that the necessary legislation be sought and that he would further recommend that no commitment be made in respect of grants during 1963 and beyond.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that broad legislative power was required to permit this relocation and loan, etc., and requested the Board's consent for himself, the City Manager and Solicitor to meet and prepare the necessary legislation for the next City Council meeting.

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The Board agreed to the request of the Mayor, that he, the City Manager and Solicitor meet and prepare the necessary legislation for the next City Council meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

His Worship the Mayor requested permission of Council to report at the next meeting with the proposed legislation.

CONTRACT - NOVA SCOTIA LIGHT AND POWER COMPANY LIMITED RE:  
UNDERGROUND WIRING, STREET LIGHTING AND FIRE ALARM SYSTEMS

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: February 6, 1962.  
Subject: Westwood Park - Phase No.1 - Electrical Services.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending that authority be granted for the City to enter into a contract with the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company in the amount of \$51,166.00 for the construction of the underground electrical distribution system and for street lighting and fire alarm systems. The contract will provide that rock excavation will be at the rate of an additional \$18.63 per cubic yard.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

PROPERTY ACQUISITION - NOS. 195-201 BRUNSWICK STREET

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
From: Town Planning Board.  
Date: February 6, 1962.  
Subject: Property Acquisition - Nos. 195-201 Brunswick Street.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending that the sum of \$14,500.00 be paid to the owner of Nos. 195-201 Brunswick Street as settlement in full for all claims that the owner may have with respect to this property. Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation concur in this recommendation.

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

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

CHANGE - PRIME CONTRACT - MULGRAVE PARK HOUSING PROJECT

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: February 6, 1962.

Subject: Changes to the Prime Contract - Mulgrave Park Housing Project.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager recommending that approval be granted to permit Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation to make a net decrease in the prime contract of \$34,418.93 with Eastern Woodworkers.

On motion of Alderman Wyman, 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 O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR TRAFFIC LIGHTS

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: February 8, 1962.

Subject: Tenders - Traffic Lights - Corner of Bayers Road and Connaught Avenue.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a tabulation of tenders from the City Manager and City Electrician for traffic lights at the corner of Bayers Road and Connaught Avenue.

Acceptance of the following tender was recommended:

Northern Electric Co. Ltd. - \$2,443.84 (lowest tender).

On motion of Alderman Greenwood, seconded by Alderman Lane, the Committee approved the acceptance of the tender of Northern Electric Co. Ltd. (lowest tender) for traffic lights at the corner of Bayers Road and Connaught Avenue and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

CERTIFICATE NO. 6 (FINAL) - STREET-PAVING, 1961

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: February 8, 1962.

Subject: Certificate No. 6 (Final) - Street Paving - 1961.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the Commissioner of Works recommending payment of Certificate No. 6 (Final) for street paving for 1961.

On motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Healy, the Committee recommended to City Council payment of Certificate No. 6 (Final) re street paving for 1961, in the amount of \$83,867.98, to Standard Paving Maritime Limited.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING - RICHMOND SCHOOL AREA

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: February 8, 1962.

Subject: Letter - Improved Street Lighting - Richmond School Area.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a letter from the Richmond Home and School Association requesting better lighting facilities in the area surrounding the school.

The City Electrician informed the Committee that he would recommend the installation of several 175 watt mercury luminaires at a cost of around \$2,000.00. He also informed the Committee that a borrowing resolution would not be needed as he had enough fixtures in stock.

On motion of Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Healy the Committee approved the City Electrician's recommendation for improved street lighting in the Richmond School area and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. Mantin,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Healy, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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RESOLUTIONS TO BE SUBMITTED TO MAYORS' CONFERENCE Council,  
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NON-RESIDENT TAX ON CONTRACTORS

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.  
Dear Sir:  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: February 8, 1962.  
Subject: Report - Non-Resident Tax on Contractors.

It would be helpful, if your municipality is considering submitting any resolutions, if  
The Committee on Works at a meeting held on the above date considered a report from the City Manager informing them that the Section in the City Charter requiring outside contractors to pay a non-resident tax was ultra vires and in view of that he was recommending that the non-resident tax on contractors be eliminated and that if Council wishes to tax non-resident building contractors that such a tax be a fixed amount and not dependent upon the amount of the contract.

On motion of Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Connolly, the Committee recommended to City Council that the provision for non-resident tax on contractors be eliminated from the new City Charter and that the City Manager be asked to investigate the matter further through the Mayors' Federation.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Referring to those members of Council who may be attending the Mayors' Conference, His Worship the Mayor extended an invitation to Alderman Lane and suggested that any others who wished to go, they should go with him, as can be seen from the minutes of the meeting.  
MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the report be approved. Motion passed.

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME

APPLICATION TO REMOVE NO. 111 E. 117 LAMB STREET FROM B-2 ZONE TO B-1 ZONE  
MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the application be passed.  
A letter was submitted from the Railway Association of Canada requesting that Daylight Saving Time be observed from 12:01 A. M. April 29 to 12:01 A. M. October 28, 1962.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the request be granted. Motion passed.

10:25 P. M. Alderman Abbott retires.

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RESOLUTIONS TO BE SUBMITTED TO MAYORS' CONFERENCE BY APRIL 15, 1962

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Re: 1962 Annual Conference  
Winnipeg, June 11-15

Dear Sir:

I write to draw to your attention that all resolutions submitted by member municipalities for the consideration of the Federation's 1962 Annual Conference, being held at Winnipeg, Man. June 11th to 15th next, should be submitted to the undersigned at the latest by April 15th.

It would be helpful, if your municipality is considering submitting any resolutions, if they could be in my hands before the above date, inasmuch as the dossier of resolutions must be prepared in advance of the Conference so that they can be transmitted to the Conference Resolutions Committee by April 30th at the latest.

Subsequently, copies of all resolutions to be submitted to the Conference will be forwarded to member municipalities of the Federation for their advance information by May 30th.

Sincerely yours,

George S. Mooney,  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

Referring to those members of Council who may be attending the Mayors' Conference, His Worship the Mayor extended an invitation to Alderman Lane and suggested that any others who wished to go, that they communicate with him, as early as convenient, so that he would be in a position to make a recommendation to Council at a later meeting.

APPLICATION TO REZONE NO. 115 & 117 LYNCH STREET FROM R-2 ZONE TO R-3 ZONE

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the application be referred to the Town Planning Board for a report. Motion passed.

APPLICATION TO REZONE PORTION OF LOT 6264 YALE STREET FROM R-2 ZONE TO C-2 ZONE

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the application be referred to the Town Planning Board for a report. Motion passed.

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APPLICATION TO REZONE LOTS - LYNCH STREET FROM R-2 ZONE TO R-3 ZONE

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the application be referred to the Town Planning Board for a report. Motion passed.

REQUEST TO USE TRAILER AS TRAINING SCHOOL - FINA SERVICE STATION - BAYERS ROAD

A letter was submitted from Mr. J. H. Peabody, Training Superintendent of Canadian Petrofina Limited, requesting permission to establish and operate a training school in a specially made trailer to be located at Hannon's Fina Station, 329 Bayers Road, for a period of approximately 8 months in 1962 and the same period in 1963.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the permission requested be granted for the year 1962 only and subject to the approval of the Building Inspector and Commissioner of Health. Motion passed.

As for the year 1963, the Company was directed to re-apply.

REQUEST - RECREATION COMMISSION FOR \$400.00 FOR CANADIAN SCHOOL-BOY  
CURLING CHAMPIONSHIPS

To: Mr. P. F. C. Byars, City Manager

From: Abol H. Ziai, Director Civic Recreation

Date: February 14, 1962

Subject: Request of \$400.00 for the Canadian School-Boy Curling Championships

At the meeting of the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission held on February 12, 1962, Alderman Healy moved that the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission recommend to City Council that an amount of \$400.00 be granted to the Halifax Curling Club for the Canadian School-Boy Curling Championships, through the 1962 budget of the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission.

Mrs. Thompson seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Attached, please find the letter of Mr. W. D. Outhit, Secretary Canadian School Curling Championship 1962.

Yours very truly,

Abol H. Ziai, ACSW  
Director Civic  
Recreation.

His Worship the Mayor stated that perhaps it was not known to the Commission that a dinner is being tendered by the City to the visiting curlers.



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In view of this, he felt the City was making a contribution. The Pepsi Cola Company undertakes a certain amount of expense involved.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the request be tabled. Motion passed.

RESOLUTION - TOWN OF YARMOUTH - SECOND FERRY SERVICE TO NEW ENGLAND

A resolution, approved by the Yarmouth Town Council, requesting a second ferry service from Yarmouth to New England, was submitted.

Alderman Lane referred to the fact that the Town of Shelburne is also interested in such a service and she asked if Council would be expected to endorse their suggestion.

Alderman DeWolf suggested a regular service from Yarmouth to Boston as was operated years ago.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that the selection of the port should be left to the Province of Nova Scotia.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the request be tabled. Motion passed.

MOTION - ALDERMAN TRAINOR TO RESCIND RESOLUTION OF COUNCIL - APPROVED OCTOBER 12, 1962 - RESPECTING SUPERANNUATION PLAN - CITY MANAGER

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the resolution approved by Council at a meeting held on October 12, 1962, respecting "Superannuation Plan - City Manager" be rescinded. Motion passed.

LEGISLATION - 1962

Draft legislation, as prepared by the Deputy City Solicitor, was submitted and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Copies were furnished the members of Council prior to the meeting and the draft was considered item by item.

ITEM NO. 1

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

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ITEM NO. 2

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Healy, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 3

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 4

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 5

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Healy, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 6

Deferred and Deputy City Solicitor instructed to ascertain if the Marden Wild Lease should be on a year-to-year basis.

ITEM NO. 7

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 8

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Butler, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 9

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 10

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Butler, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 11

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that this item be approved. Motion passed.

ITEM NO. 12

Referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration of grants.

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POLICE SERVICES - HORSE RACING ON NORTH COMMON

Alderman Trainor asked if the Chief of Police would submit a report at the next meeting of the Safety Committee, giving the following information:

- (a) The fee charged for the services of the mounted policemen on duty at the North Common during the horse racing program;
- (b) By whom is it paid and who receives the fee.

RENTAL OF OFFICE SPACE BY EASTERN PAPER BOX MANUFACTURING COMPANY

Alderman Trainor referred to an advertisement in the local press advertising office space for rent at the corner of Young Street and Kempt Road which he presumed to be the Eastern Paper Box Manufacturing Company's plant; and he asked if, in view of the fact that the Company had purchased the land site at a subsidized price and have been granted a tax concession, they would be permitted to rent such space in competition with other businesses which paid the full price for their land and also pay full taxes to the City.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the matter should be immediately investigated to determine whether or not the agreement between the City and Company is being violated, and it was agreed to instruct the Deputy City Solicitor to enquire into the matter and report to the City Manager who will render a report at a subsequent meeting of the Council.

AFRICVILLE

Alderman Lane asked if the City Manager would report to Council as soon as possible on the progress being made with respect to the Africville problem -- the eventual disposition of the land and the relocation of the families.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City Manager would report on the progress being made at the next meeting.

WILD DOG PACKS

Alderman Connolly referred to the report of packs of wild dogs roving the north end of the City and the fact that a number of children had been bitten and he suggested that a dog catcher be appointed as soon as possible to control this situation.

The Chief of Police stated that the appointment of a dog catcher is being processed and should be finalized within a week or ten days.

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He reported that a number of the wild dogs had been shot and others had been taken to the pound. Also, a further program has been laid on by his Department for this purpose.

STREET LIGHTING - WARD NO. 4

Aldermen LeBlanc and Meagher asked what progress is being made with respect to new street lighting installations for streets in the area bounded by Chebucto Road, Newton Avenue, Quinpool Road and Monastery Lane.

The City Manager stated that the City Electrician would be instructed to prepare a report for submission to Council.

11:00 P. M. Council adjourned to convene at the call of the Chair.

11:30 P. M. Council reconvened, the following members being present:

Aldermen DeWolf, Lane, Macdonald, Butler, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Wyman, Connolly and O'Brien.

ACCOUNT - DR. F. P. VARCOE - BELLEVUE CASE

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date it was agreed to recommend that Council agree to have the account of Dr. F. P. Varcoe, for all services rendered in connection with the appeal of the Bellevue Case to the Supreme Court of Canada, taxed in the amount of \$10,000.00 plus disbursements of \$487.97 and that the amount of \$2,500.00 already paid to Dr. Varcoe be credited to this account.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,  
CITY CLERK.

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

APPLICATION FOR BILLBOARDS

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that the above matter, not on the agenda, be now considered. Motion passed with Aldermen Lane and Macdonald wishing to be recorded against.

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

From: P. F. C. Byars, City Manager.

Date: January 18, 1962.

Subject: Billboards

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The application of E. L. Ruddy and Company for erection of certain billboards was considered at the Committee's meeting on December 21, 1961.

At that time, the Committee recommended that the City Manager meet with the applicant to discuss the billboards which were recommended for refusal.

The Director of Planning met with the applicant to consider this matter and the locations previously recommended for refusal were again reviewed, with special reference to the regulations contained in the City Charter which govern the detailed siting of billboards. As a result of these investigations, it is now recommended that an additional location for four billboards be approved at the southwest corner of Maynard Street and West Street, in a C-2 zone. Billboards in this location will screen rather unsightly backs of buildings and yards and would not be detrimental to the general appearance of the area.

At the same time, the recommendation to refuse permission for billboards at five other locations numbered 5 to 9 in the report dated December 21, 1961 is hereby confirmed.

Respectfully submitted,

P. F. C. Byars,  
CITY MANAGER.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the report be approved.

The motion was put and passed, seven voting for the same and four against it, as follows:

For: Aldermen DeWolf, Butler, Meagher, Trainor, Healy, Wyman and Connolly;

Against: Aldermen Lane, Macdonald, LeBlanc, and O'Brien.

REPORT - HIS WORSHIP THE MAYOR RE VISIT TO OTTAWA AND MONTREAL

His Worship the Mayor, reporting on his recent visit to Montreal and Ottawa, advised:

(a) THAT he had had talks with Mr. Mann of the National Harbors Board who had given excellent co-operation to Mr. Mooney, the Executive-Director of the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities, and himself and had explained the financial position of the Board; also, a further meeting of the representatives of the Port Cities with the National Harbors Board is to be arranged by Mr. Mooney at which time revised submissions will be made;

(b) THAT representations were made to the Minister of Finance respecting the Resolution passed at the Annual Conference of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities requesting that a Municipal Loan Fund or Bank be established whereby municipal debentures could be marketed at a more favorable

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rate; and the Federal Minister stated that he could not give a positive answer at this time as further study was needed, but he assured the delegation that he would continue to make examinations of the question and the representations of the Federation would be welcomed;

(c) THAT he discussed with officials of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation the Call for Proposals for the Central Redevelopment Area, who indicated that they are in favor of leasing land as opposed to the granting of freehold titles;

THAT Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation are concerned with the phasing and timing of the program and are sending a team of representatives to Halifax within ten days in an effort to expedite an early decision on the Call for Proposals; and he indicated that an informal meeting of Council could be called after the delegation arrives to further familiarize the members of Council with the complexities involved in Urban Redevelopment;

(d) THAT he discussed with the Mayor of a Canadian City and Mr. James Lowther of the City of Ottawa the matter of financing publicly-owned utilities — the question of providing depreciation of capital assets which have been provided from borrowings of public funds and provide out of earnings the retirement of the debt. In Ottawa only the retirement of the debt is considered with respect to one utility. Further information is being obtained which will be valuable if the City is to become involved in financing the transit system;

(e) THAT he met with the Director of Assessment of Montreal and obtained information of a confidential nature, also information concerning assessment against the Queen Elizabeth Hotel and the manner in which it is taxed, and the manner in which the rights-of-way of the Canadian National Railways are taxed; and he was informed that the Canadian National Railway in Montreal pays full real property taxes on its properties, pays the business occupancy tax on its properties and pays the water taxes on its properties. The Queen Elizabeth Hotel pays full real property taxes, the full business occupancy taxes and the full water tax, which is another form of occupancy tax and is not a water rate.

Meeting adjourned.

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and J. L. Leitch.

The meeting was called specially to consider

1. To Receive the Proposed Estimates for the Fiscal Year 1962
2. Report Sub-committee on Budget
3. Request - Maritime Museum

J. E. Lloyd,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

PROPOSED ESTIMATES 1962

The proposed estimates for the fiscal year 1962 were presented to the City Manager, amounting to \$1,380,414.27 over the previous year with a deficit of \$851,343.25 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Leitch, seconded by Alderman Smith, that the estimates be called and referred to a sub-committee to study at meetings which will begin at 7:30 p.m. on February 20, 1962, at the City Hall, and continue for a two-day period ending on February 21, 1962.

The following report was presented to the Council by the City Manager which was read and approved by the Council. The Council has the opportunity to study a report submitted by the City Manager and the City Operator.



*B. J. West*

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
February 23, 1962,  
11:00 A. M.

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

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Abbott, Lane, Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Healy, Wyman, Connolly, O'Brien and Greenwood.

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey, L. Mitchell, L. M. Romkey, J. F. Thomson, R. B. Grant, V. W. Mitchell, Dr. A. R. Morton, G. F. West, F. C. MacGillivray, A. P. Flynn and J. L. Leitch.

The meeting was called specially to consider:

1. To Receive the Proposed Estimates for the Civic Year 1962;
2. Report Sub-committee on Taxis;
3. Request - Maritime Museum.

PROPOSED ESTIMATES FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 1962

The proposed estimates for the civic year 1962 as prepared by the City Manager, amounting to \$15,420,926.29 showing an increase of \$1,380,414.27 over the previous year with a Current Surplus Account of \$853,343.25 was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the estimates be tabled and referred to the Committee of the whole Council for study at meetings which will begin at 2:00 p. m. with a recess for supper and continue for a two-hour period during the evening. Motion passed.

REPORT - TAXI SUB-COMMITTEE

The following report was submitted to Council on February 15th at which time consideration was deferred to give the Deputy City Solicitor opportunity to study a brief submitted by the Halifax Association of Taxi Operators.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on February 6, 1962, a report was submitted from the Taxi Sub-Committee consisting of the Deputy City Solicitor, Chairman; Chief of Police, Deputy Commissioner of Finance, a representative of the Taxi Association and a representative of the non-Association group.

The main recommendation of the report concerned the limitation of the number of taxis operating in the City, as well as a proposed increase in the license fee from \$25.00 to \$35.00.

Your Committee recommended that the report be forwarded to Council for discussion and that the Deputy City Solicitor be requested to submit the supporting arguments for the recommendations put forth.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,  
CITY CLERK.

The following report was submitted from the Deputy City Solicitor:

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council  
From: Leonard Mitchell, Deputy City Solicitor  
Date: February 15, 1962  
Subject: Report Taxi Sub-Committee

At the February 6, 1962, meeting of the Safety Committee the final report of the Taxi Sub-committee was presented. This report made the specific recommendation that City Council request the Provincial Government to amend the Motor Vehicle Act so that (a) the City may by Ordinance limit the number of taxis operating in the City, and (b) the annual license fee for taxi operators be increased from \$25.00 to \$35.00.

After discussion, it was moved by Alderman Trainor and seconded by Alderman DeWolf, that the report be forwarded to Council for further discussion and that the Deputy City Solicitor be requested to submit to Council the supporting argument for such recommendations. This motion was passed.

The supporting argument for such recommendations is as follows:

(a) Limiting the number of taxis operating in the City of Halifax -

This limitation has been recommended by the Taxi Association of Halifax and the reason for this recommendation is that the highly competitive taxi business tends to reduce the amount of dollars to be earned by each individual, to the point where they are required to work long hours to make a living, and are tempted to engage in illegal activities such as bootlegging and procuring in an effort to raise their dollar intake and their standard of living. Therefore, by limiting the number of taxis permitted to engage in the business they feel this would ultimately raise the income of the operators and would tend to eliminate illegal activities, not only because of the increased income in the legitimate taxi business, but also because of the increased value that could be attached to the taxi licence.

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The disadvantage of this limitation, of course, is that the inevitable result of limitation would be this immediate enhancement of the value of a taxi licence and could create a black market trade in the buying and selling of taxi licences. However, this black market aspect could be eliminated by placing the following controls in the Ordinance.

1. That on and after a certain date the Inspector of Licences would issue no more taxi owner licences.
2. No taxi licence should be sold or transferred.
3. A taxi licence should lapse on the death of the owner.
4. A seniority list of applicants should be established.
5. In the event of a taxi owner's licence being voided by death, retiring from business, cancellation, etc., then the next person on the seniority list should be sold that taxi licence.
6. The number of taxi licences in force should be reviewed from time to time until, in the opinion of the Safety Committee, that number reaches a proper level.

(b) Increase in the licence fee from \$25.00 to \$35.00

This recommendation was quite naturally opposed by the taxi operators. However, this fee of \$25.00 was placed in the Motor Vehicle Act in 1932, at which time the City of Halifax had only one Constable carrying out the supervision, record keeping, control, etc. over taxis, at a cost of \$1,500.00 per year. Today the same supervision, record keeping, etc. has increased to the point where the City now has an Inspector and three Constables devoting approximately 80% of their time to the same operation at an approximate cost of \$15,500.00 (80% of \$19,200.00).

It might be pointed out that the \$10.00 increase is not sufficient to cover this increase in cost, but in 1958 when City Council was considering the general increases in its licence fees they reduced the recommendation of \$40.00 to \$35.00 in this case.

In view of the strong arguments put forth in favor of the control of the number of taxis operating in the City and the increasing of the taxi licence fee, it is recommended that legislation be sought to this effect.

Yours truly,

LEONARD MITCHELL  
DEPUTY CITY SOLICITOR

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the recommendations of the Taxi Sub-committee be considered separately. Motion passed.

(a) Limiting the number of taxis operating in the City of Halifax-

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Greenwood, that no action be taken with respect to limiting the number of cars in the Taxi business in the City.

Motion passed with Alderman LeBlanc voting against.

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(b) Increase in the licence fee from \$25.00 to \$35.00

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the recommendation of the Taxi Sub-Committee be approved and the necessary legislation sought. Motion passed with Alderman Lane voting against.

12:00 noon Alderman Lane and Butler retire.

RELOCATION -- MARITIME MUSEUM AND RESTORATION OF STONE WAREHOUSE -- CENTRAL WHARF

To: The Members of City Council.

From: Mayor John E. Lloyd

Date: February 23, 1962

Subject: Re: Maritime Museum

Dear Aldermen:

Under date of February 6, 1962, the City Manager submitted a report to the members of the Town Planning Board on the request of the Maritime Museum to occupy the Central Wharf property which we recently acquired. The Manager also reported on the request of the Museum that capital funds be made available to them to restore the old stone warehouse, built about 1800, which is located on this property.

The Maritime Museum, as its request indicates, is compelled to find a new location suitable for its purposes. The museum is presently at the Citadel Hill on a tentative arrangement. It was their original plan to be in a position to occupy the Central Wharf site around the first of April. This is impossible to achieve because the restoration work on the warehouse building would not be completed within the available time.

Unfortunately the housing conditions are such at the Citadel Hill that the Maritime Museum cannot be open to the public for the forthcoming summer season, due to major repairs now being undertaken to the portions of the buildings occupied by the Museum.

There is no doubt that the Central Wharf site, with the stone warehouse restored for occupancy and with modifications of the existing frame buildings, would make an ideal location and permanent home for the Museum.

It is also apparent that the City has a high degree of responsibility in the restoration of the historic stone warehouse. Authorities agree it is one of a very few buildings constructed in Canada around 1800. It is possible we may be able to interest the National Historic Sites and Monuments Board in restoring the warehouse. The aforementioned Board may require the City to participate to some extent in such a project.

The Trustees of the Museum have consulted with Mr. C. A. Fowler Local Architect, on the feasibility of restoring the stone building and the probable extent of the capital cost involved. It will require some time for Mr. Fowler to complete his estimates.

In the meantime we should obtain general legislative authority to make capital expenditures on the restoration of historic buildings and to borrow money for that purpose.