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On motion of Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Healy, the Board approved an alteration to a subdivision at No. 111-117 Columbus Street, as shown on Drawing No. P200/1196-00-9-15890, agreed to waive the public hearing, and recommended the same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

- (a) Alteration to Subdivision - Francklyn Street
 - (b) Permission to Erect more Than one Building on Lot, Francklyn Street
 - (c) Rezoning Francklyn Street - R-1 Zone to R-2 Zone - Date for Hearing -
March 12, 1964
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To His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on January 21, 1964, considered a report from the City Manager indicating that staff has no objection to a development on Francklyn Street (McCurdy Estate), but would require from City Council approval for the following:

- (a) Rezoning (R-1 - R-2);
- (b) Permission to Erect More Than One Building on One Lot;
- (c) Alteration to a Subdivision.

On motion of Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, the Board approved the rezoning of an area of land on Francklyn Street (McCurdy Estate), as shown on Drawing No. P200/1200 from R-1 To R-2, and recommended to City Council that a date be set for a public hearing.

On motion of Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Healy, the Board recommended to City Council that permission be granted for the erection of more than one building on a lot in connection with this development.

On motion of Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Richard, the Board approved an alteration to a subdivision on Francklyn Street (McCurdy Estate) as shown on Drawing No. P200/1199-1200, agreed to waive the public hearing, and recommended the same to City Council.

On motion of Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Butler, the Board recommended to City Council that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft the necessary legislation to permit the City to enter into a development agreement with private developers on such terms and conditions as the City may decide.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,
CLERK OF WORKS.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that:

- (a) the alteration to a subdivision on Francklyn Street as shown on Drawing No. P200/1199-1200, be approved;
- (b) permission be granted for the erection of more than one building on one lot in the proposed development; and

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(c) that Council fix Thursday, March 12, 1964, at 8:00 p. m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia, as the time and place for a public hearing in connection with the application to rezone an area of land on Francklyn Street, as shown on Drawing No. P200/1200, from R-1 Zone to R-2 Zone.

MOVED in amendment by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Lane, that Items (a) and (b) contained in the motion be deferred for consideration at the meeting of Council scheduled for March 12, 1964, after the public hearing on the matter of the rezoning has been concluded.

The amendment was passed with Alderman Wyman voting "against".

The motion as amended was then passed with Alderman Wyman voting "against".

Building Application - No.695-697 Barrington Street

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

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on January 21, 1964, considered a report from the City Manager suggesting that Section 970 of the City Charter which permits the City to withhold a building permit for new construction in areas which are subject to redevelopment for a period of six months from the date of application, be used.

On motion of Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, the Board recommended to City Council that a building permit for the construction of an office and warehouse building at No.695-697 Barrington Street be withheld for a period of six months, starting January 13, 1964, under the provisions of Section 970 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

K. C. MANTIN,
CLERK OF WORKS.

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

REPORT - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

Establishment of Position - Consulting Psychiatrist - Halifax Mental Hospital

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on January 23, 1964, a report was submitted from the City Manager advising that all of the important recommendations contained in the Report of Dr. Clyde Marshall respecting the Halifax Mental Hospital have been implemented with the exception of the provision of adequate psychiatric service.

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Your Committee recommends that the Staff Establishment of the Halifax Mental Hospital be increased by the addition of one Consulting Psychiatrist, and that the City Manager be authorized to engage a fully qualified psychiatrist, certified by the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada, or equivalent body, to fill the position, on the basis of two three-hour sessions per week at the D. V. A. standard specialist's rate of \$36.00 per session.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,
CITY CLERK.

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

QUESTIONS

Question - Alderman LeBlanc Re: Snow Removal Equipment

Alderman LeBlanc asked if there is any further information available as to the use of the gate plow attachment to the snow removal equipment for clearing driveways.

The City Manager stated that a report is in the course of preparation and will be circulated to the members of Council when completed.

Question - Alderman Black Re: Press Reports - Bridge Proposals

Alderman Black referred to what he considered to be conflicting stories in the Press on January 29 and 30 respecting the attitude of the Halifax Bridge Commission to the City Staff Report on the bridge proposals; and he asked if His Worship the Mayor had an opportunity to read the press releases, and would care to comment.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he had not read the stories but Alderman Wyman, a Council representative on the Bridge Commission, volunteered to comment.

Alderman Wyman stated that he had read only the headlines of the first release and then assumed that he knew what the report contained; but he had read the second release in which the Chairman of the Bridge Commission points out that the newspaper report, that was somewhat in favor of what the City's staff proposal had developed, was inaccurate.

He continued: "What actually happened, or seems to have happened, is that Mr. Pratley in rejecting the submission that staff made has come forward with a revised proposal, changes similar to but not identical with that of staff which everyone seems to be pleased with, except for the fact that the

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cost is considerably higher. The matter has been laid before the Provincial Government, including the plans and the cost. The members of the Bridge Commission were told of this by the Chairman at a routine meeting. In the report in the newspaper the Chairman of the Commission is reported to have said that the financial implications made this impossible, or out of reason. But, also, in the same report, he says that the terms of reference of the Bridge Commission are to bring forward plans, recommendations and costs, not to assess whether or not the cost can be met; and I don't feel this is the time when the people should be told that it is feasible, or not, to pay the cost of that bridge. I don't think the cost question has been considered by the parties who have right to make the decision."

Alderman Black: "I took it that the statement by the Chairman of the Commission related to the difference between the cost of the contract, originally advocated by Mr. Pratley, as opposed to the cost of the staff proposal."

Alderman Wyman: "The cost of the Pratley modification of the staff proposal, which is perhaps even a little better than what staff recommended, compared with the estimate of cost in the original Pratley proposal, the difference is in the order of \$12,000,000.00."

Question - Alderman Wyman Re: Parking Restrictions in R-1 Zones Adjacent to Commercial Zones

Alderman Wyman asked that the City Manager be directed to have the Traffic Authority investigate the possibility of adopting, as a general principle, the policy of restricting parking on all streets, in R-1 Zones, which are adjacent to commercial or industrial zones where large numbers of employees use the streets for car parking during the working hours.

The City Manager was so directed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

The following accounts over \$500.00 were submitted and recommended for approval by the City Manager:

| <u>Vendor</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Jack & Co. Ltd. | \$ 1,946.64 |
| National Cash Register Company | 1,154.97 |

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| <u>Vendor</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Peerless Vulcanizing | \$ 865.50 |
| Insurance Counsellors Ltd. | 752.14 |
| Crombie Advertising Ltd. | 1,474.41 |
| | <u>\$6,193.66</u> |

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the accounts be approved for payment. Motion passed.

1964 LEGISLATION

Draft Legislation as prepared by the City Solicitor was submitted (copies of the Legislation had been circulated to the members prior to the meeting and a copy is on file in the office of the City Clerk). It was agreed to consider the Legislation item by item.

Item No.1 - Alderman O'Brien stated that there seems to be rumours circulating concerning the future of Neptune Theatre and he asked if the City Manager, who is the Council representative on the Board of Management of the Theatre, can assure the Council whether or not the step the City is undertaking is liable to prove as satisfactory as when it was originally considered.

City Manager: "I think we can give that assurance. I think we are doing our best to keep 'Neptune' alive. A lot will have to be done by the citizens to support it and a lot of people will have to get into the habit of going. Before we were appointed to the Board, we figured that if 5,000 of the 187,000 population of greater Halifax and Dartmouth attended every production, then they could get by. It would take that type of support to insure that 'Neptune' could carry on; and if it doesn't the grants will have to be greater. I would urge that the public generally support it because they are trying to give the type of entertainment they want."

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the legislation as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 2 - MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 3 - MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

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Item No. 4 - MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 5 - MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF MR. R. B. GRANT TO HALIFAX HOUSING AUTHORITY

His Worship the Mayor stated that advice had been received from Mr. J. A. Houston, Regional Supervisor of Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, on behalf of the Minister of Public Works, Government of Canada and from the Honourable Stephen T. Pyke, Minister of Public Works, Province of Nova Scotia, confirming their approval of the proposed appointment of Mr. R. B. Grant to the Halifax Housing Authority.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that Mr. R. B. Grant, Development Officer of the City of Halifax, be appointed to the Halifax Housing Authority for a term of two years expiring on December 31, 1965. Motion passed.

8:35 p. m. Alderman Meagher arrives.

MOTION OF ALDERMAN LEBLANC RE: LIAISON BETWEEN THE CITY OF HALIFAX AND HALIFAX COUNTY MLA'S

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the following resolution be adopted:

"WHEREAS many important matters relating to the City of Halifax such as annexation, bridges and highway entrances, the City Charter, a new Court House, and other important items which should be thoroughly discussed with the elected members of the Legislature representing Halifax and County are pending;

and WHEREAS closer and continual liaison between the City of Halifax and the elected Halifax and County MLA's should be established to provide the opportunity for greater understanding of the City's problems and objectives by our MLA's;

AND WHEREAS such meetings should be held between the MLA's and the Mayor, City Manager, City Solicitor, and any other officials required;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Mayor be requested to take immediate action to institute the first such meeting prior to February 6th and to arrange such meetings from time to time in the future as may be required so that a cohesive and united representation of the City of Halifax by its elected representatives to the Nova Scotia Legislature may be achieved in the consideration of all matters affecting the Capital City of this Province by its legislative body.

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Item No. 4 - MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

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His Worship the Mayor stated that it must be pointed out that close liaison is maintained between the City and the Province through the Office of the Mayor. He said that on many occasions the Mayor must hold conferences with the Premier and many of the Ministers of the Crown. However, he stated that he would have no objection to the resolution if the mover and seconder would agree to re-word same as follows:

"Add the word 'Aldermen' after the word 'Mayor' in the second line of the third paragraph; and re-word the fourth paragraph to read as follows:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the Mayor be requested to arrange meetings from time to time as may be required so that a cohesive and united representation of the City of Halifax by its elected representatives to the Nova Scotia Legislature may be achieved in the consideration of all matters affecting the Capital City of this Province by its legislative body."

Alderman LeBlanc and Alderman Meagher agreed to amend the Resolution in accordance with the wishes of His Worship the Mayor.

The motion to adopt the Resolution as amended was put and passed.

REMUNERATION FOR THE OFFICE OF MAYOR

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the matter of the remuneration for the Office of Mayor be deferred for determination during consideration of the 1964 Budget.

Alderman O'Brien referred to the comparative salary figures presented by Alderman A. M. Butler at the meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee, and he said that he felt that some additional information would be useful in making certain that the change, whatever it may be, is of the right amount. He felt that Council should approve tonight, if possible, the principle of a full-time Mayor and that there should be an increase in the remuneration paid to the Mayor; but he was not certain what the figure should be.

He contended that the salary figures had been compared without any reference to their expense allowance portions, which should be examined; also that consideration should be given to the question of whether a pension is involved with some of the figures compared, and not others. These items should be considered in any attempt to gauge the level of salary to be paid the Mayor when compared with salaries of Members of Parliament and senior staff officials. "I should like it if Alderman Butler could secure that information

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in support of his figure, or in support of some other figure."

Alderman Butler stated that he would be glad to supply the additional figures.

The motion was passed with Alderman Black voting "against".

MOTION OF ALDERMAN BLACK RE: SECTION 17(3), CITY CHARTER, 1963

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that Section 17(3) of the Halifax City Charter, 1963, be repealed.

After discussion it was moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Healy, that the matter be deferred for three months.

The motion to defer was put and passed, as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: - Aldermen Abbott, Lane, A. M. Butler, Meagher
Healy, Wyman, Richard and H. W. Butler - 8 -

AGAINST THE MOTION: - Aldermen Black, Macdonald, LeBlanc and O'Brien - 4 -

1964 BUDGET

The proposed annual Estimates for 1964 were submitted from the City Manager.

Alderman Wyman referred to the section of the Estimates dealing with 'Grants', and he asked that the members of Council be supplied with the following information when the Estimates are being considered:

(a) The names of the organizations requesting additional grants for 1964 and the amounts requested;

(b) The amount of contributions by other governmental bodies in this area, and by the United Appeal Fund, to agencies who have requested grants from the City, and whose services are extended to people in the Metropolitan area.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the information would be made available.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Richard, that the proposed annual Estimates for 1964 as submitted, be tabled and deferred for consideration at meetings to be held on February 6th, 18th and 25th, 1964. Motion passed.

IMPROVEMENTS IN EFFICIENCY OF CIVIC ADMINISTRATION

Alderman O'Brien referred to the motion made by Alderman Trainor on

July 25, 1963 respecting the engagement of consultants to examine the efficiency

AGAINST THE MOTION: Aldermen Black, A. Butler, LeBlanc, Healy,
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of the civic administration; and he contended that many of the Council members are concerned about certain weaknesses in the administration and before any action is taken by Council to engage consultants - - the City Manager should be given an opportunity to bring forward his recommendations for improving the efficiency, and if same were not acceptable to Council, it could be then determined whether or not the services of consultants should be obtained.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the City Manager be directed to submit to Council his recommendations for improving the efficiency of the civic administration. Motion passed.

UNIVERSAL FRANCHISE

His Worship the Mayor stated that while the matter of Universal Franchise has been considered by the Council on many occasions, Council has never passed an affirmative motion on the principle of adopting such a voting system; and he contended that the issue will not be settled unless and until Council takes a stand on whether or not the voting system to be adopted is:

- (a) the present system,
- (b) a system of Universal Franchise as proposed in the draft legislation or
- (c) a system of Universal Franchise as modified by the inclusion of one or other amendments.

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman Richard, that the right to vote in all future civic elections and plebiscites be granted to all citizens who reside in the City and are Canadian citizens of twenty-one years of age or over.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Macdonald, that the motion be amended to read as follows:
That the right to vote in all future civic elections and plebiscites be granted to all citizens who reside in the City of Halifax and are Canadian citizens of twenty-one years of age or over; and also to non-resident City taxpayers.

The motion as amended was put and passed, as follows:

FOR THE MOTION: Aldermen Lane, Macdonald, Meagher, Trainor,
Wyman, Richard and H. W. Butler - 7 -

AGAINST THE MOTION: Aldermen Black, A. M. Butler, LeBlanc, Healy,
and O'Brien - 5 -

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Draft legislation to give effect to the foregoing resolution of Council, as prepared by the City Solicitor, was submitted, and considered item by item:

Item No. 1 - MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 2 - MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Richard, that the legislation be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 3 - MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 4 - MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Richard, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 5 - MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 6 - MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 7 - MOVED by Alderman Healy, seconded by Alderman Richard, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Item No. 8 - MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Richard, that the legislation as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

PROCLAMATION - SECTIONS 20 AND 29 TO 137 - CITY CHARTER, 1963

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Lane, that His Worship the Mayor be requested to request the Governor in Council to proclaim Sections 20 and 29 to 137 of the Halifax City Charter, 1963.

MOVED in amendment by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Black, that proclamation of Sections 20 and 29 to 137 be not sought until after the Legislature has considered the pertinent City Bill; and, if it is approved or if the modifications made by the Legislature are such that the sense is not changed, that His Worship the Mayor be requested to seek proclamation of the said sections. Motion passed.

The motion as amended was put and passed.

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LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE FOR IDENTICAL TERMS OF OFFICE FOR ALL ALDERMEN

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the following legislation be sought:

"Sections 14 and 15 of Chapter 52 of the Acts of 1963 are repealed and the following substituted therefor:

14. The Aldermen shall be elected in each ward by a general vote of the voters of such ward in the manner hereinafter provided, and each Alderman shall hold office for a term of three years, commencing with the date of the first meeting of the Council following the election, or until his successor is elected and takes the oath of office as prescribed in Section 109 and as set out in Form 1 in the Schedule.

C.C., S.10 am.

15. Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 14, an Alderman elected at the regular elections held in 1964 shall hold office for a term of two years, commencing with the date of the first meeting of the Council following the election, or until his successor is elected and takes the oath of office as prescribed in Section 109 and as set out in Form 1 in the Schedule."

Motion passed.

HALIFAX NATAL DAY

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that Wednesday, July 22, 1964, be declared Halifax Natal Day for 1964.

Motion passed with Alderman Wyman voting 'against'.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE - ALDERMAN J. H. BREEN

To His Worship the Mayor and
Members of City Council.

Clause "E" of Sub-section #1 of Section 18 of the Halifax City Charter 1963 provides that the Mayor or any Alderman shall forfeit his office, who while in office absents himself from the meetings of the Council for three consecutive months without being authorized by resolution of the Council so to do.

Alderman Breen has been absent from Council since November 14, 1963, and in order for him to retain his seat, it will be necessary for Council to pass the following resolution:

"That Alderman J. H. Breen be authorized to be absent from Council for the period February 1, 1964 until April 30, 1964.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. STODDARD,
CITY CLERK.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that Alderman J. H. Breen be authorized to be absent from Council for the period February 1, 1964 until April 30, 1964. Motion passed.

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Meeting adjourned.

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C. A. VAUGHAN,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD,
CITY CLERK.

Dr. E.M. Foggo.

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING

February 6, 1964.

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
February 6, 1964,
8:00 p.m.

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

After the meeting was called to order, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

There were present Mayor C. A. Vaughan and Aldermen Black, Lane, Macdonald, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Wyman, Richard, O'Brien and H. W. Butler.

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey, L. Mitchell, Q.C., L. M. Romkey, J. L. Leitch, V. W. Mitchell, G. F. West, J. F. Thomson, K. M. Munnich, R.B. Grant, A. P. Flynn, G. H. Brundige, H. Brennan and Dr. E. M. Foggo.

The meeting was called specially to consider the 1964 Current Budget.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Lane, that Council adjourn and meet as a Committee of the Whole. Motion passed.

8:02 p.m. Council met as a Committee of the Whole.

Mayor's Office

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Budget as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

City Manager's Department

Account No.2-1 - delete the sum of \$2,063.00.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the Budget be approved as amended. Motion passed.

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City Clerk's Department

Account No. 3-3 - delete the sum of \$1,000.00.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Macdonald,
that the Budget be approved as amended. Motion passed.

Police Department

Account No. 9-1 - delete the sum of \$13,500.00;

Account No. 9-13 - delete the sum of \$1,500.00.

Alderman Wyman asked if the City Manager would submit a report indicating how many items are in the Budget that recur regularly on something other than an annual basis and by examination, Council might be able to see whether it would be worthwhile seeking some change in the City Charter so as to have funds for those things and keep the Budget more even.

The City Manager stated that what he did before he came to Halifax was to establish what is known as a "replacement reserve fund", and it was always for the replacement of Fire and Police Department uniforms, equipment, cars, etc. It was an even amount that was utilized each year for the replacement based on depreciation and estimated life. The estimated life of a policeman's uniform is one year. Therefore, each year allowance would be made for a uniform. The estimated life of a frock coat is 3 years and each year Council could put one-third into the fund and it would purchase from the fund. He stated that it was too late to obtain legislation this year but this would be worth looking at in future because it put things on an even keel and it operated successfully.

Account No. 9-32 - delete the sum of \$500.00.

At this time, the following report was submitted from the Chief of Police:

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Mr. P. F. C. Byars,
City Manager,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:

For some years past, we have been concerned with our motor vehicle violation ticket issuing, and the processing of same.

There seems to be an international problem in relation to tickets for motor vehicle violations, due to the following circumstances:

1. Failure on the part of the recipient to bring ticket to the Police Station;
2. The volume, from (a) The Police Department point of view;
(b) The Motor Vehicle Department point of view;
3. The failure on the part of the motorists to notify the Motor Vehicle Department of any change of address.

Tickets issued by members of this Department fall into two particular categories, and they are as follows:

1. Tickets issued to the drivers of motor vehicles for moving violations, which are violations that are assessed points under the Motor Vehicle Act.
2. Tickets issued to vehicles parked in violation of the Motor Vehicle Act and the regulations made thereunder.

With respect to Item 1, termed "Moving Violations" this category causes a great amount of work in the processing, but relatively few problems aside from the volume itself, and the number involved are comparatively few in relation to Item 2, the parking offences.

The number of tickets issued for moving violations this year to date are 3,492.

With reference to Item 2, (Parking Violations) there are a number of factors which render the processing of this category of violations almost unsurmountable and the procedure presently employed in this Department is as follows:

- (A) Where a ticket is issued to a vehicle parked in violations of the Motor Vehicle Act and/or the regulations made thereunder, and the operator of that vehicle brings same immediately to the Police Station, there is relatively little problem, except on a volume basis. For we have found that we can process the average ticket, on a time basis, in from 31 seconds to 1.32 for the original ticket, and where our files must be searched for any delinquent tickets given to that particular car, these additional tickets can be processed in an average of 15 seconds per ticket.

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A further study on a full day basis, indicates that our maximum receipt capacity for our present system and cash register is 480 tickets per work day, which averages out to approximately \$600.00 per day, as a percentage of the tickets involved are \$4.75 tickets rather than \$1.00.

- (B) The ticket recipient who causes a great deal of trouble, is the driver of a vehicle that has been issued a ticket for some parking violation and who fails to bring the ticket immediately to the Police Station.

Our procedure for this type of violation is as follows:

1. After a pre-determined length of time, the license number of that vehicle is forwarded to the Motor Vehicle Department for the name of the registered owner, and in this regard, we have been handicapped because the Motor Vehicle Department has not, in recent years, been able to process promptly the volume of our requests and this resulted in a growing backlog;
2. Upon receipt of the registered owner of the motor vehicle, as mentioned above, a follow-up letter has been sent to that registered owner. This brings in a number of fines, but there has been a substantial percentage of these letters returned as, address unknown, and a further substantial percentage ignored. It should be stated here, that our present system provides no increase in penalty for the delinquent, as opposed to the recipient of a ticket who immediately comes to the Police Station and settles that ticket, except where the delinquent is taken before the court.

This backlog of delinquent tickets has been accumulating, until early in February it was found to be a backlog of over 10,000 delinquent tickets. After consultation with the Deputy Chief and Inspector O'Brien, a plan of attack was organized which included the following:

1. Additional personnel hired on a casual basis and allocation of other police personnel;
2. The detailing of a member of this Department to the Motor Vehicle Department for the purpose of searching the files for the owners of those vehicles to which tickets had been issued and to which there had been no response;
3. Publicity through the newspapers and radio stations;
4. Overtime work by police and civilian personnel;
5. Consultations with the Magistrate and Prosecuting Officer, which has resulted in a substantially increased fine for the delinquent ticket holder;
6. Consultation with the Acting City Manager Mr. L. M. Romkey last spring, at which time authority was received for the purchase of a mail opener, at a cost of \$344.25, so that the time spent

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in opening letters and in processing the mail, might be substantially reduced.

All of our processing as to our ticket problem has been further complicated by the lack of space in the ticket inspection area, for we find that behind the actual counter where the tickets are received, we have four people working in an area designed for two people.

We have another effort taking place, which is somewhat removed from the ticket inspecting counter and there is a great deal of travelling back and forth between these two areas.

In view of all of the foregoing, I would make the following recommendations:

1. That the necessary legislation be obtained to enable the City to assess a \$2.00 rather than a \$1.00 fine to the holder of a ticket for a parking violation, who fails to bring that ticket to the Police Station, or send in his payment after a pre-determined time period.
2. That the two casual employees presently on our Staff to assist in the processing of these tickets be made permanent employees and furthermore, due to the fact that through the year we find it necessary to keep our Personnel and Training Department up to date, to move one employee, who was acting in a half and half capacity for the Training and Traffic Divisions, into the Personnel and Training Division on a full time basis, and this movement would then require one additional employee for the Traffic Division, making a total of three additional permanent employees. In short, two casual personnel on our payroll be made permanent, and authority to add one extra employee.
3. An additional cash register at an estimated cost of \$3,177.30.
4. That the Office presently occupied by our License Division be taken over by the Ticket Inspection and processing aspect of our Traffic Division and that they be physically moved from the west side of the building to the office occupied by the License Division on the east side of our building, and that a counter be erected in the Hallway just west of the door which gives entrance to the License Division, and this be built to use the License Division's present premises, plus a portion of the Hallway, which would enable us to make a more compact operation and save a great deal of travelling time between the two areas presently used by the Ticket Inspection function, and enable a smoother operation to take place, at an estimated cost of approximately \$200.00.
5. If recommendation No.4 were approved, it would require the movement of the License Division from their present office to an office to be constructed where the Ticket Inspection wicket now is located.

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The approximate cost of building this office i.e.: the new License Division Office would be \$1,250.00.

With reference to items 4 and 5, our building has been carefully examined with a view to making some change which would benefit our operation from a Ticket Inspection function, without making any structural changes and these recommendations appear to best suit our needs at a relatively small cost, without major changes in the building.

6. The installation of a night depository box on the east side of our building, which could be well publicized and we believe, would result in a decreased number of delinquent ticket holders, at an approximate cost of \$50.00.
7. That the procedure of sending out receipts to those ticket holders who use the mail to send payment, be discontinued.

Such a change would result in a saving, both from a dollar and time point of view.

The cost of the above recommendations had been reflected in our budget and in the budget of the Commissioner of Works.

For your information we have collected up to November 15, 1963, an increase of \$38,670.00 for \$1.00 and \$4.75 parking fines over the same period for the calendar year, 1962.

This increased collection has resulted from:

1. increase activity and 2. a faster clearance of delinquent ticket holders and reduction of our backlog.

The above mentioned figure of \$38,670.00 is not a clear gain but rather a gross gain for we must charge against them three casual employees and an over-extended stamp appropriation all for a total of approximately \$6,088.43 and, in addition thereto, there is a concealed cost because we have been employing the services of a policeman on a light duty basis.

All of which is

Respectfully submitted,

V. W. Mitchell,
Chief of Police.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Black,

that the plan submitted by the Chief of Police be approved. Motion passed.

The matter of paying motor vehicle fines to banks was discussed and referred to Staff for further investigation.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Black,

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that the Budget be approved as amended. Motion passed.

Fire Department

Account No. 10-1 - delete the sum of \$11,000.00.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman O'Brien,
that the Budget be approved as amended. Motion passed.

Fire Alarm Department

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Meagher,
that the Budget as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

Alderman LeBlanc asked if the City Manager could advise
Council as to the exact amount that he reduced the Budget from the
Budget requested.

The City Manager said that he had to approach the pre-
paration of the Budget on the basis that the City of Halifax is to
give the best possible service at the most economical cost. On
this basis, he must sit down and discuss with the various Depart-
ment Heads what they think they require and then, where he can see,
he would try to trim it before it comes to Council. In some cases
the amount is substantial while in other cases it is not.

10:00 p.m. Council reconvened.

The Committee of the Whole Council reported progress
in its consideration of the 1964 Budget.

Meeting adjourned: 10:05 p.m.

- (1) The cumulative amount of all ...
\$25,000.00
- (2) In the case of contracts for consultant ...
subsidized rental housing projects, ...
not exceed the lesser of either 1% of ...
tract or \$750.00 and that the cumulative ...
exceed \$2,000.00.

C. A. VAUGHAN,
MAYOR & CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD,
CITY CLERK.

Dr. Fogo

**CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Council Chamber,
City Hall,
Halifax, N. S.,
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8:00 p.m.

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

After the meeting was called to order, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

There were present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Aldermen Abbott, Lane, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Healy, Wyman, Richard, O'Brien and H. W. Butler.

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, L. Mitchell, R. H. Stoddard, W. J. Clancey, L. M. Romkey, J. F. Thomson, R. B. Grant, G. F. West, K. Munnich, V. W. Mitchell, G. H. Brundige and Dr. E. M. Fogo.

MINUTES

The minutes of meetings held on January 23 and 30, 1964, were approved on motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Lane.

RECOMMENDATIONS - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The following recommendations were submitted from the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on February 6, 1964:

Federal-Provincial Housing Projects - Change Orders

It is recommended that the City Manager be authorized to approve Change Orders to contracts for Federal-Provincial Housing Projects in accordance with the following schedule:

- (a) On any construction contract for Federal-Provincial subsidized rental housing projects, the City Manager is authorized to approve requests for the issuance of change orders by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation under the following conditions:
 - (i) The amount of any one increase does not exceed the lesser of 15% of the original amount of the contract or \$8,000.00;
 - and
 - (ii) The cumulative amount of all increases authorized does not exceed \$25,000.00.
- (b) In the case of contracts for consultant services on Federal-Provincial subsidized rental housing projects, the amount of any one increase does not exceed the lesser of either 15% of the original amount of the contract or \$750.00 and that the cumulative amount of all increases does not exceed \$2,000.00,

provided always

that no one increase or accumulation of increases shall be authorized where these exceed the total estimated costs approved by City Council.

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- (c) The City Manager is to submit his recommendation to the City Council through the appropriate committees in each instance where any one of the limits set out in (a) or (b) above will be exceeded.

Note The Cost of construction of Federal-Provincial subsidized rental housing projects are shared between the Federal Government, the Province, and the City. The Federal Government pays 75% of the cost, the Province pays 12½%, and the City pays 12½%.

If Council approves the authorities outlined above, the City Manager would be able to commit the City to a maximum of \$1,000.00 on any one change order. This commitment could only be made within the framework of the approved estimates previously approved by Council.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Property Acquisition - No. 18 Gerrish Street

It is recommended that the property at No. 18 Gerrish Street, located in the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Project, be purchased by the City at the lower of two values to be obtained by independent appraisals, said purchase price to be paid to the Eastern Trust Company, Limited, as guardian for the owner, Mrs. Joseph Barrett, after deducting maintenance charges incurred on behalf of the said Mrs. Barrett at the Halifax Mental Hospital.

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

Terms of Reference - Development Committee

It is recommended that the following Terms of Reference for the recently formed Development Committee be approved:

The Development Committee has been formed to act as an Advisory and Coordinating Committee to the Standing Committees of City Council and the Town Planning Board and in this capacity it shall:

1. Review all outstanding capital commitments;
2. Examine all new proposals involving capital expenditures;
3. Recommend short and long term capital expenditure proposals;
4. Recommend priorities and the timing of all capital expenditure activities within the framework of a long term capital borrowing programme;
5. Review and examine all matters pertaining to the acquisition, clearance and re-use of lands by the City;
6. Review all privately sponsored developments involving expenditures in excess of \$200,000.00;
7. Advise and recommend on all matters dealt with in Section 4, Chapter 292, Revised Statutes, Nova Scotia, 1954.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the Terms of Reference, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed.

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Property Settlements - No. 2631-2633 Dutch Village Road and
No. 2655 Dutch Village Road

1. No. 2631-2633 Dutch Village Road:

It is recommended that the sum of \$245.00 be paid to Irva L. Dexter as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition of a 90 sq. ft. portion of the property at No. 2631-2633 Dutch Village Road, as shown on Plan No. SS-10-15834, said land being required for the widening of Dutch Village Road.

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

2. No. 2655 Dutch Village Road:

It is recommended that the sum of \$1,200.00 be paid to Murray A. Proctor as settlement in full for all claims arising from the expropriation of a 440 sq. ft. portion of the property at No. 2655 Dutch Village Road, as shown on Plan No. SS-7-15295, said land being required for the widening of Dutch Village Road.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Borrowing Resolution - Bicentennial Drive Entrance

It is recommended that a Borrowing Resolution for the sum of \$117,000. be approved, to supplement the original borrowing of \$225,000.00, to acquire the remaining properties required in connection with the construction of the Bicentennial Drive Entrance.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

A formal Borrowing Resolution to give effect to the foregoing resolution of Council was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the Borrowing Resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Rebuilding Walls - No. 1 Furnace - Incinerator

It is recommended that authority be granted to engage the services of Francis Hankin Company, Limited to rebuild the walls of No. 1 Furnace at the Incinerator at an estimated cost of \$6,800.00, funds to be provided from Capital Account No. 54-8.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Request for Capital Grants to Universities

It is recommended that, in view of the fact that the Committee recognizes the principle that it is the responsibility of other levels of government to assist education at the university level; and also, that the nature of the municipal tax base is such that the Municipal Government cannot assume

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responsibility for education beyond the high school level, the requests for capital grants from Dalhousie University, Saint Mary's University and the University of King's College be not approved and the Universities be so advised.

Alderman Meagher was recorded as voting against the recommendation.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the recommendation be approved.

The motion was passed with Alderman Meagher voting "against".

8:05 p.m. Alderman Macdonald arrives.

Lease - Portion of Civic Building - 5938-5950 University Avenue
to Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council

It is recommended that the City Manager be authorized to negotiate a new lease with the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council covering a portion of the Convalescent Hospital, with effect from January 1, 1964, on the following basis:

- (a) An annual rental of \$42,000.00; or
- (b) An annual rental based on 40% of the overall operating cost of the Convalescent Hospital.

His Worship the Mayor contended that the terminology of the report is incorrect insofar as it refers to the leasing of a portion of the "Convalescent Hospital". He pointed out that the Convalescent Hospital is one of three institutions which are housed in a civic structure which has an official street number; and the report should be amended to read as follows:

"It is recommended that the City Manager be authorized to negotiate a new lease with the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council covering a portion of the civic building located at No. 5938-5950 University Avenue, with effect from January 1, 1964, on the following basis:

- (a) An annual rental of \$42,000.00; or
- (b) An annual rental based on 40% of the overall operating cost of the Convalescent Hospital."

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the recommendation, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

Lease - Portion of Civic Building - No. 5938-5950 University
Avenue to Children's Hospital

It is recommended:

- (a) that the Children's Hospital be served with notice that the present lease covering the third floor of the Convalescent Hospital will be terminated on March 15, 1964; and
- (b) that the City Manager be directed to negotiate a new lease with the Children's Hospital at a monthly rental based on the formula recommended for application to the lease with the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council.

His Worship the Mayor stated that his observations on the previous item apply in this case, and Clause (b) of the report would have to be amended

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to read as follows:

"(b) that the City Manager be directed to negotiate a new lease with the Children's Hospital covering the third floor of the Civic Building located at No. 5938-5950 University Avenue at a monthly rental based on the formula recommended for application to the lease with the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council."

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the recommendation, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

Amended Staff Establishments and Salary Scales - Nurses, etc.

It is recommended that the staff establishment of the civic hospitals be amended to provide for two new classifications, viz., Nursing Assistant I and Certified Nursing Assistant I; and the following salary scales be approved with effect from January 1, 1964:

| <u>Classification</u> | <u>Salary Scale</u> |
|--|---|
| Graduate Nurse | \$3240-3360-3480-3600-3780 |
| Registered Nurse I | 3360-3480-3600-3780-3960 |
| Registered Nurse II (R. N. with special six-month course and employed in the area of specialty) .. | 3480-3600-3780-3960-4140 |
| R. N. Social Hygiene Worker | 3480-3600-3780-3960-4140 |
| Head Nurse (Charge Nurse) | 3780-3960-4140-4320-4500 |
| Supervisor | 4140-4320-4500-4680-4860 |
| Assistant Matron | 4500-4680-4860-5040-5220 |
| Matron | 4860-5040-5220-5400-5640 |
| Nursing Assistant I (Uncertified) | 2040-2100-2160-2280-2400 |
| Nursing Assistant II (Uncertified) | 2388-2461-2536-2611-2686 (no change) |
| Certified Nursing Assistant I | 2400-2520-2640-2760-2880 |
| Certified Nursing Assistant II | 2760-2834-2909-2984-3058 (no change) |
| Charge C. N. A. (C. N. A. Supervisor) | 2842-2970-3100-3229-3359 (no change) |

8:15 p.m. Alderman Black arrives.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Scale of Welfare Payments

It is recommended that the following scale of Welfare Payments be adopted:

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| One Person | \$ 7.00 per week |
| Two persons | 10.00 per week |
| Three persons | 13.00 per week |

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| Four persons | | \$16.00 per week |
| Five persons | | 20.00 per week |
| Six persons | | 22.00 per week |
| Seven persons | | 24.00 per week |
| Each additional person over seven persons | | 1.50 per week |
| Normal pregnant mother | | 1.00 per week additional |
| Each teenager in family | | 1.00 per week additional |

and that funds in the amount of \$75,000.00 be included in the 1964 Budget to provide for the additional expenditures.

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Withdrawal, Land Sale Account - Demolition of Old Incinerator

It is recommended that the cost of demolition of the old incinerator building be charged to the Land Sale Account, and that permission be sought from the Minister of Municipal Affairs to withdraw the sum of \$4,300.00 from the said account for this purpose.

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

A formal Resolution, as prepared by the City Solicitor, to give effect to the foregoing resolution of Council was submitted.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Wyman, that the formal Resolution be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

RECOMMENDATIONS - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

The following recommendations were submitted from the Town Planning Board at a meeting held on February 4, 1964:

Construction of more than one Building on a Lot - No. 6533 Coburg Road

It is recommended:

(1) That the scheme to develop the property No. 6533 Coburg Road be approved in accordance with proposals shown on Drawings No. P/200-1205 and 1206 under the provisions of Part 15, Paragraph 1(i) of the Zoning By-Law.

Alderman Black abstained from voting;

(2) That a date be set for a public hearing in connection with this matter.

Alderman Black abstained from voting and Alderman LeBlanc voted 'against'.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that Council fix Thursday, March 12, 1964, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S. as the time and place for a public hearing in connection with the application to develop the property at No. 6533 Coburg Road.

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Motion passed with Alderman Black abstaining from the vote.

Rezoning No. 5375 Rector Street from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone
Setting Date for a Public Hearing

It is recommended:

(1) that the application to rezone No. 5375 Rector Street from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone be approved provided the applicant modifies his plan from 25 to 20 apartment units with complete underground parking;

(2) that the applicant submit a written undertaking to this effect along with revised plans;

(3) that if he does not fulfill this undertaking, the Town Planning Board will take the necessary steps to rezone this land back to R-2 Zone; and

(4) that a date be set for a public hearing in connection with this matter.

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that Council fix Thursday, March 26, 1964, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., as the time and place for a public hearing in connection with the application to rezone the property at No. 5375 Rector Street from R-2 Zone to R-3 Zone. Motion passed.

Modification of Sideyards - No. 309-311 Barrington Street

It is recommended that an application to modify the sideyard requirements of the property No. 309-311 Barrington Street be approved as shown on Drawings No. P/200-1215 and 1219 in accordance with Part 15, Paragraph 1(f) of the Zoning By-Law, subject to the primary windows of the building being relocated so as to meet the requirements of Part 2, Section 10 of the Zoning By-Law.

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

Alteration to a Subdivision - Anderson Square Property

It is recommended that an alteration to a subdivision of land at Anderson Square be approved as shown on Drawing No. 00-9-15903 and that the public hearing be waived.

MOVED by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Richard, that the recommendation be approved. Motion passed.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Tenders for Parking Meters

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on February 4, 1964, a tabulation of tenders was submitted from the City Manager covering the supply of 100 single-headed automatic parking meters.

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Your Committee recommends that the tender of Rockwell Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$7,999.00, being the lower of two tenders submitted, be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard,
CITY CLERK.

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

REPORT - PORT OF HALIFAX COMMISSION RE: ICE-BREAKING ACTIVITY
IN THE ST. LAWRENCE RIVER

A report was submitted from the Port of Halifax Commission respecting its action concerning the Resolution of the Council of St. John, New Brunswick, pertaining to the Ice-Breaking Activities in the St. Lawrence River.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the matter had been discussed at length with the two local members of Parliament, J. E. Lloyd and G. A. Regan, at a dinner meeting held on February 10th; and he suggested that rather than pass a resolution condemning winter navigation on the St. Lawrence River, the Council should await the report on the two surveys being undertaken; and when the reports have been tabled Council would be in a better position to take appropriate action.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the suggestion of the Mayor be followed. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question - Alderman Lane Re: Revenue from Winter Parking on Commons

Alderman Lane asked for a statement as to the amount of revenue derived from winter parking on the North Common.

The City Manager was directed to submit a report in writing giving the required information.

Question - Alderman LeBlanc Re: Gate Plow Attachment

Alderman LeBlanc asked if any further information is available on the gate plow attachment used for clearing driveways.

The Commissioner of Works stated that a report is in the course of preparation and will be presented to the next meeting of the Committee on Works.

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Question - Alderman H. W. Butler Re: Amount of Salt
used in January for Ice and Snow Control

Alderman H. W. Butler referred to the monthly Administrative Report for January, 1964, and he noted that the report shows that 3,383,000 bags of salt were used during the month. He asked if the figure is in error.

The City Manager stated that it appears to be a typographical error, but that he would check and submit a report.

Question - Alderman Meagher Re: Sewer Retention Tank

Alderman Meagher asked if any action had been taken towards construction of the Sewer Retention Tank provided for in the 1963 Capital Budget.

The Commissioner of Works stated that the specifications which are of a highly technical nature will not be completed for another two or three weeks.

Alderman Meagher asked if, in view of the study of the sewer system now in progress, Council should take action to provide the Retention Tank until after the study is completed.

The City Manager was directed to take notice of the question and submit a report at the next meeting.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

The following accounts over \$500.00 were submitted and recommended for approval by the City Manager:

| <u>Vendor</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
|---|---------------|
| Allen Print Limited | \$ 660.45 |
| Dept. of Highways, Province of Nova Scotia | 713.05 |
| Dominion Sound Equipments Ltd. | 645.55 |

MOVED by Alderman Wyman, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the accounts be approved for payment. Motion passed.

LEASE - ANDERSON SQUARE, REHABILITATION CENTRE AND R. C. A. F.

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.
From: L. Mitchell, City Solicitor.
Date: February 13, 1964.
Subject: Leases - Anderson Square, Rehabilitation Centre and R. C. A. F.

On November 28, 1963, City Council approved of entering into leases with the Royal Canadian Air Force and the Nova Scotia Rehabilitation Council concerning what is known as the Anderson Square property.