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C. A. VAUGHAN,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

W. J. CLANCEY,  
DEPUTY CITY CLERK

be amended as follows:

Page 355, Line 32, substitute

"April 4". Motion passed.

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MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott,

that the minutes of May 13, 1965, be approved. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS OR DELETIONS

The Order of Business was approved on motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir, after adding the following items:

- 20(a) - Brief - Medical Division, Municipal Welfare Officers
- 20(b) - Brief - Development Department
- 20(c) - Brief - Development Area

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Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
May 27, 1965,  
8:10 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 Deputy City Clerk, joined in reciting the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Abbott, Moir, Lane, A. M. Butler, Black, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Connolly, Doyle, O'Brien and H. W. Butler.

Also present were Messrs. P. F. C. Byars, L. Mitchell, Q.C., W. J. Clancey, G. F. West, R. B. Grant, J. L. Leitch, G. H. Brundige, W. A. Gray, M. Latham, W. Cleary and Dr. E.M. Fogo.

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Amendment - Minutes of April 15, 1965

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Moir, that the minutes of the meeting of Council held on April 15, 1965, be amended as follows:

Page 355, Line 32, substitute the date "April 14" for "April 4". Motion passed.

Minutes - May 13, 1965

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the minutes of May 13, 1965, be approved. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS - ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

The Order of Business was approved on motion of Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir, after adding the following items

- 20(a) - Brief - Mainland Division, Municipal Welfare Officers
- 20(b) - Staff Establishment - Development Department
- 20(c) - Waterfront Redevelopment Area

DEFERRED BUSINESS

Call for Tenders for 265 Parking Meters

Further deferred

Parking Meter Rate - Ten Cents per Hour and the Elimination of the Use of Pennies

Further deferred.

Increase in Fine for Parking Meter Violation - \$2.00

Further deferred.

Sale of Sewer System to Public Service Commission

Further deferred

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

None

MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

None

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on May 25, 1965 respecting the following matters:

Property Acquisition - #2128 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, City Staff be authorized to obtain independent appraisals and to open negotiations for the purchase of #2128 Barrington Street in view of the City's ultimate need of this property for the street improvement programme. Motion passed.

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Property Acquisition - #5451 Prince William Street

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

1. the sum of \$5,000.00 be paid to Mr. Wilfred Duffy as settlement in full for all claims in connection with the acquisition by the City of his property at #5451 Prince William Street located in the Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area.
2. Staff be authorized to rent this property until such time as it is required for the redevelopment programme.

Motion passed.

Staff Report - #180-188 Upper Water Street and #133 Upper Water Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Trainor that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

1. City Staff be authorized to negotiate immediately for the acquisition of #180-188 Upper Water Street required in connection with the construction of the Cogswell Street Overpass and Harbour Drive.
2. Negotiations respecting the acquisition of #133 Upper Water Street be deferred until the report of DeLeuw, Cather and Company of Canada Limited, respecting the design of Harbour Drive between Prince Street and Devonshire Avenue, has been received.

Motion passed.

Property Acquisition - #2192 Barrington Street  
#2151 Brunswick Street  
#2153 Brunswick Street

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the above-noted properties be purchased from Eastern and Chartered Trust Company at a total cost of \$20,000.00 as settlement in full for all claims arising from the acquisition of the said properties which are required for the construction of Harbour Drive. Motion passed.

Authority to Expend in Excess of \$500.00

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City Manager be authorized to expend funds in excess of \$500.00 for the

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following purposes:

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|---|-----------------|
| 1. Plowing Dutch Village Road - City's Share (50%)  | \$203.75        |
| Ice Control Dutch Village Road - City's Share (50%)   | 365.14          |
|   | <u>\$568.89</u> |
| 2. Street Lighting Equipment (required for North Park Street Widening)  | \$4,630.22      |
| 3. Cost of Widening of Bayers Road where it crosses the Canadian National Railway tracks within the City of Halifax and the installation of Improved Protection. This work was carried out by the Canadian National Railways. | \$6,641.71      |
| 4. Circle Reversing Drive and Housing for 1954 Adams Grader   | \$1,504.38      |
| 5. City's Share for Resurfacing Armdale Rotary, 1964  | \$3,897.19      |

Funds for same are being provided as shown below:

1. 1965 Current Budget;
2. 1964 Capital Budget, Account No. 53-28A;
3. 1964 Capital Budget, Account No. 53-14;
4. 1965 Current Budget;
5. 1964 Current Surplus

Motion passed.

Request for Funds - Board of School Commissioners - 316"C" -  
City Charter

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman A. M.

Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the request of the Board of School Commissioners for a supplementary appropriation in the amount of \$250.00 for the purpose of entering a float in the Halifax Natal Day Parade, to commemorate the centennial year of public education, be denied. Motion passed.

Release of Grants

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman A. M. Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, payment of grants to the organizations listed below be approved under the authority of Section 310"J" of the City Charter, 1931:

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Family Service Bureau	\$ 3,500.00
Salvation Army Tower Road	1,500.00
Salvation Army	2,000.00
N.S. Assoc. for Retarded Children	800.00
Canadian Cancer Fund	1,000.00
Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal	17,000.00
St. John Ambulance	750.00
Maritime Museum	6,000.00
Maritime School for Social Work	500.00
John Howard Society	1,500.00
Army Museum	6,000.00
Halifax Symphony Society	2,500.00
Canadian Paraplegic Association	1,000.00
Nova Scotia Talent Trust	500.00
Bengal Lancers	1,000.00
Halifax Musical Festival	750.00
Walter Callow Wheelchair	500.00
Maritime Conservatory of Music	5,000.00
Y.M.C.A.	1,500.00
Canadian Arthritis & Rheumatism Society	250.00
Nova Scotia Mental Health	2,000.00
Children's Aid Society	2,500.00
Halifax Dispensary	700.00
Province of N. S. for Neptune Theatre	15,000.00
Grace Maternity Hospital Out-Patient	3,250.00
Canadian Red Cross Homemakers Service	2,000.00
Nova Scotia College of Art	8,700.00
Victorian Order of Nurses	5,000.00
	<u>\$ 92,700.00</u>

Motion passed.

Payment of Grants to Offset Taxes

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, grants to offset taxes be paid to the organizations listed below, under the authority of Section 310D of the City Charter, 1931:

British Trade Commission (1965)	\$ 342.23
Mission to Seamen, Church of England (1965)	57.38
Mission to Seamen, Maritimes (1965)	645.08
Girl Guides of Canada Ltd. (1965)	84.38
Girl Guides of Canada (1965)	352.50
International Grenfell Mission (1965)	22.95
Halifax Welfare Council (1965)	65.25
New Leaf Enterprises (1965)	78.19
Canadian Heart Foundation (1965)	14.63
Hearing & Speech Clinic (1965)	87.75
N. S. Brace & Appliance Centre (1965)	48.38
Halifax Co. Anti T. B. League (1965)	12.83
Canadian Arthritis & Rheumatism Association (1965)	19.46
Children's Aid Society (1965)	106.88
Children's Aid Society (1965)	446.50

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Vimy Branch #27 Royal Canadian Legion (1965)	\$ 526.40
Vimy Branch #27 Royal Canadian Legion (1965)	126.00
Hadassah Organization of Canada (1965)	17.25
Canadian Red Cross Society (1964)	419.48
E. D. I. Club (1964)	49.50
Canadian Youth Hostel Association (1964)	30.60
Canadian Rehabilitation Council for Disabled (1964-65)	147.16
N. S. Division Canadian Mental Health (1965)	93.94
Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal (1965)	26.33

and that an additional appropriation in the amount of \$53.27 be approved under the authority of Section 316"C" of the City Charter, which amount was not included in the 1965 Budget, to pay the difference between the amount budgeted and the actual grants to the Nova Scotia Division of the Canadian Mental Health Association and Halifax-Dartmouth United Appeal. Motion passed.

Renewal of Lease - Fisherman's Market Limited

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Trainor that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the lease between the City of Halifax and Fisherman's Market Limited, covering a water lot located at the eastern end of George Street, be renewed on the following terms and conditions:

1. The lease to be for a period of one year, commencing on June 1st, at a rental of \$100.00 per annum.
2. The Lessee, at his own expense, maintains and keeps in good repair, the existing sea wall on the west side of such water lot.
3. The City reserves the right to dump snow on such water lot.
4. The Lessee must permit the public to dock and land on such lot.
5. The City may terminate the lease on one month's notice.

and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute same on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

Request for Loan - Atlantic Winter Fair

It is recommended that the request of the Board of Directors of the Atlantic Winter Fair that the City of Halifax lend to the

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Atlantic Winter Fair the sum of \$31,750.00, as working capital funds for the 1965 Atlantic Winter Fair, be denied.

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration. Motion passed.

Request for Additional Capital Funds - North End Branch Library

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that additional capital funds in the amount of \$175,000.00 be provided to supplement the original borrowing of \$400,000.00 for construction of the North End Branch Library; and that application be made to the Municipal Development and Loan Board for assistance towards the total cost of this project, viz. \$575,000.00. Motion passed.

A Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$175,000.00 was submitted to give effect to the foregoing resolution of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Black, that the Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$175,000.00 be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Lease - Marden-Wild of Canada Limited

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee:

1. A lease be entered into between the City and Marden-Wild of Canada Limited for the property presently occupied by them on the site of the old abattoir on a month-to-month basis, on the following terms and conditions:
  - (a) For the period January 1st, 1965, to December 31st, 1965, the amount of rent payable to be \$1.00 for such period, and that the Company shall be liable for and shall pay all real property and business taxes levied by the City against such property for the year 1965; and
  - (b) From January 1st, 1966, to December 31st, 1966, the Company shall pay a monthly rental of \$500.00 less 1/12 of the real property and business taxes levied by the City against such property for the year 1966, and that the Company shall be liable for and shall pay all real property and business taxes levied by the City against such property for the year 1966.



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2. Legislation be prepared by the City Solicitor for the next session of the Nova Scotia Legislature to amend the City Charter to provide that City Council may, by resolution, exempt an occupier of Crown or City-owned land from that portion of the real property tax levied against such occupier for the period of time that such occupier is not in occupation of such property.

Motion passed.

Capital Borrowing - Equipment - Fire Department

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, capital funds in the amount of \$76,000.00 be provided for the purchase of two new pumping engine trucks for the Fire Department. Motion passed.

A Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$76,000.00 to give effect to the foregoing resolution of Council was submitted.

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

Lease of Land - Fleming Park

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the jib of land at Fleming Park, formerly leased to the late Josiah Boutilier, be leased to Mrs. Georgina Boutilier for the period June 1, 1965, to September 30, 1965 at a total rental of \$100.00 and that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute the lease on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Committee on Works held on May 25, 1965 with respect to the following matters:

1. Tenders for Demolitions

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that,

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as recommended by the Committee on Works, the tender of George A. Redmond, being the only tender received, be accepted for the demolition of the following buildings:

<u>2442 Brunswick Street</u>	\$666.00
<u>2444 Brunswick Street</u>	666.00
<u>2450 Brunswick Street</u>	780.00
<u>2452-2454 Brunswick Street</u>	900.00
<u>2456 Brunswick Street</u>	600.00, in the amount of \$3,612.00, total for Group One, subject to a Performance Bond in the amount of \$7,200.00 being deposited by him with the City.
<u>5407 Uniacke Street plus garage,</u>	in the amount of \$640.00, total for Group Two, subject to a Performance Bond in the amount of \$1,200.00 being deposited by him with the City.
<u>5425-5427 Uniacke Street</u>	\$1,200.00
<u>5429-5431 Uniacke Street</u>	1,200.00
<u>5433 Uniacke Street</u>	100.00, in the amount of \$2,500.00, total for Group Three, subject to a Performance Bond in the amount of \$5,000.00 being deposited by him with the City.

funds for this work having been provided in the 1964

Capital Account 59-24 - Uniacke Square. Motion passed.

2. Tenders for Demolition - #2460 Brunswick Street

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman A. M. Butler that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the tender for the demolition of #2460 Brunswick Street, be awarded to George A. Redmond, in the amount of \$525.00, subject to a Performance Bond in the amount of \$1,050.00 being deposited by him with the City. Motion passed.

Expropriation of Land - Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman A. M. Butler that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, the following properties, required in connection with the Uniacke Square Redevelopment programme be expropriated:

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<u>Property</u>	<u>Assessed Owner</u>	<u>Recommended Payments</u>
2269-75 Gottingen St.	George J. Isaac	\$26,000.00
2277-79 Gottingen St.	Raymond Martell	70,000.00
2281-83 Gottingen St.	Anthony Nicholas (City of Hfx.)	1.00
2289-95 Gottingen St.	Joseph Resk & Est. Michael Resk	18,000.00
2297-99 Gottingen St.	Joseph Resk & Est. Michael Resk	17,500.00
2301 Gottingen St.	Est. Jane Murray, c/o Charles J. McGinn	6,000.00
2303 Gottingen St.	Charles J. McGinn	6,250.00
2307-09 Gottingen St.	Charles J. McGinn	5,750.00
2311-13 Gottingen St.	Charles J. McGinn	6,650.00
2317-19 Gottingen St.	Joseph Resk & Est. Michael Resk	16,000.00
2321-23 Gottingen St.	Est. Michael L. Resk & Joseph Resk	18,500.00
5451 Prince William St.	Wilfred F. Duffy	5,000.00
5453-55 Prince Wm. St.	Allen Frederick & Kathleen Margaret Mitchell	12,500.00
2326 Maitland Street	Henry Grouse	3,500.00
2328 Maitland Street	Est. Benjamin & Est. Anna Jones	1,750.00
2330 Maitland Street	Edward Mosher (City of Halifax)	1.00
2336 Maitland Street	Wendell James Skier (City of Hfx.)	1.00
2338 Maitland Street	John & Lillian Hear	200.00
old #110 Maitland St.	Anthony Nicholas (City of Hfx.)	1.00
2348 Maitland St.	Ervin A. & Emily E. Lucas	6,800.00
2350-52 Maitland St.	Cyril F. Holland	10,500.00
2354 Maitland St.	City of Halifax	1.00
2360 Maitland St.	City of Halifax	1.00
2362 Maitland St.	Charles J. McGinn	3,400.00
2366 Maitland St.	Charles J. McGinn	3,400.00

Motion passed.

A formal resolution, as prepared by the City Solicitor to give effect to the foregoing resolution of Council, was submitted. (a copy of the formal resolution is attached to the official copy of these minutes)

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the formal resolution of expropriation be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Request to Use Public Gardens - The Salvation Army

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Committee on Works, permission be granted to the Salvation Army to use the Public Gardens on Sunday, June 6, 1965 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. for the purpose of holding a Special Musical and Centenary Celebration. Motion passed.

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Request to use Public Gardens - Halifax-Dartmouth Council of Churches  
Request to use Fleming Park - Halifax-Dartmouth Council of Churches

Recommendations were submitted from the Committee on Works that permission be granted to the Halifax-Dartmouth Council of Churches to use the Public Gardens for one Sunday to hold an ecumenical service of witness and to use Fleming Park for one Sunday to hold outdoor worship services and that the Wanderers Grounds be offered for three additional Sundays, provided the Recreation Commission is in agreement.

A letter was submitted from the Chairman of the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission advising that the Wanderers Grounds would not be available for the requested use because a full schedule of activities has been arranged for the Wanderers Grounds during the summer months.

Alderman Trainor contended that the applicants should explore the possibility of using other open spaces in the City, such as the Garrison Grounds, Fort Needham Park, the Forum, etc.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the matter be referred back to the Works Committee for further consideration. Motion passed.

REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE - NONE

REPORT - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on May 18, 1965 with respect to the following matter:

Increase in Letter Writing and Visiting Privileges - City Prison

The following recommendation was submitted from the Public Health and Welfare Committee:

It is recommended that the following additional privileges similar to those in effect in like institutions across Canada be granted on an interim basis until provisions for these privileges now set out in Ordinance #108 can be amended:

1. Letter Writing:

Every prisoner shall be permitted to write his or her parents, wife or husband or other immediate members of his or her family, once every two weeks.

2. Visiting Days:

Each prisoner shall have one visiting day each week. Prisoners with a surname beginning with the letters A to L inclusive shall have visiting days on Tuesday. Prisoners with a surname beginning with the letters M to Z inclusive shall have visiting days on Thursday.

The hours on each visiting day shall be from 9:00 - 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon, and from 1:00 - 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

Alderman Black contended that the letter writing privilege should be unlimited as he could see no reason why a prisoner should not be able to write a letter every day should he so desire.

With regard to visiting days, he contended that the Governor should be invited to make further suggestions with regard to the visiting privileges. He said that what is proposed is an improvement, but leaves a lot to be desired.

The Commissioner of Health stated that the reason for limiting the letter writing privileges is budgetary and the visiting days' limitation is because of lack of proper facilities for this purpose.

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Black, that the recommendation of the Public Health and Welfare Committee be approved and that the City Manager be directed to re-examine the matter and submit a further report. Motion passed.

8:35 p.m. Council adjourned to meet as a Committee of the Whole.

8:45 p.m. Council reconvened with the same members being present.

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REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL, BOARDS & COMMISSIONS

Ordinance No. 113 - "Noise Ordinance"

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Committee of the Whole with respect to Ordinance #113, the "Noise Ordinance."

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, Ordinance #113, the "Noise Ordinance" be read and passed a second time. Motion passed.

CHANGE IN DATE OF MEETING OF COUNCIL SCHEDULED FOR JULY 1, 1965

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the meeting of Council scheduled for July 1, 1965 be held on Tuesday, June 29, 1965. Motion passed.

REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Town Planning Board held on May 18, 1965 with respect to the following matters:

Rezoning R-3 to Park & Institutional - #5282 Kent Street and Adjoining Lot Fronting Green Street - Setting Date for Public Hearing

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, Council fix Tuesday, June 29, 1965 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 an application to rezone land at #5282 Kent Street and an adjoining lot fronting on Queen Street from R-3 zone to Park and Institutional zone. Motion passed.

Modification of Lot Frontage and Lot Area - Lot 1, Isleville Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Doyle that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the application for modification of lot frontage and lot area required to permit the erection of a single-family dwelling on lot No. 1, Isleville Street, as shown

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on Plan No. P200/1767, be approved. Motion passed.

Uniacke Square - Phase I - Stage II

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Doyle that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, a revised scheme submitted by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for Stage II of Phase I of the Uniacke Square Housing Project, which results in one less unit, to a new total of 84 units, be approved. Motion passed.

Downtown Parking Garages

The following recommendation was submitted from the Town Planning Board:

It is recommended that the City

- (1) Immediately approach the owners of Tex-Park to see if the facility can be increased in capacity;
- (2) Defer consideration of the request of the Downtown Halifax Business Association until such time as the Market Analysis is received and Capital Expenditure priorities have been established.

It was agreed to permit Mr. Donald Hogan, representing the Downtown Halifax Business Association, to address the meeting.

Mr. Hogan asked for early action on their proposal with respect to the provision of additional parking facilities in the downtown area and he contended that increasing the capacity of Tex-Park parking garage would not solve the problem as many of the spaces in the Tex-Park garage are let out on a permanent basis and what is needed is provision for parking facilities for shoppers.

Alderman LeBlanc contended that Council should not be giving any consideration to providing parking facilities for permanent parking but that parking should be provided for shoppers to stimulate business in the downtown area.

Alderman O'Brien contended that the main aim of Council should be to save the downtown area as a vital area of the City and

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it is necessary to provide parking facilities not only for shoppers but also for people who occupy offices in the downtown area; therefore he contended that provision has to be made for short-term, mid-term and long-term parking facilities to save the downtown area and maintain the level of assessments in the downtown area for the benefit of the City as a whole.

He asked when the market analysis will be received from the firm of Canadian Urban Economics Limited and when the priorities will be established on the various projects.

His Worship the Mayor said that the report of the Canadian Urban Economics Limited should be available by June 30, 1965 and that a meeting on the matter of priorities will be held at the earliest possible opportunity.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the matter be deferred for consideration at the first meeting of Council to be held in July, 1965. Motion passed.

Doctor's Office in R-2 Zone - #1674 Oxford Street

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board:

1. The owner of the single family dwelling-house known as Civic Number 1674 Oxford Street, Halifax, be permitted to locate the office of a medical doctor in such single family dwelling-house notwithstanding that such single family dwelling house is not used as a residence by such medical doctor; provided, however, that only one such office shall be permitted in such single family dwelling-house.
2. The office of such medical doctor shall be staffed by not more than one medical doctor and two other persons to include stenographic and nursing assistance.
3. No exterior architectural changes be made to such single family dwelling-house without the permission of the City Council.

Motion passed.



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Harbour Drive - Street Line - Lower Water Street

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Doyle, that in response to their query, Construction Equipment Limited be advised that the Council concurs in the opinion of Staff that sixty feet (60') will not be sufficient width in any location on Water Street but a final decision as to the width of the street will be withheld until after the report of the Engineering Consultants has been received. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman Trainor Re: Agreement with Architect - New Halifax  
Mental Hospital

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MOVED by Alderman Trainor that the contract agreement to be entered into by the City with the architectural firm appointed to draw up the plans and specifications for the new Halifax Mental Hospital, contain a provision which would provide that such architectural firm be required to engage on its staff an architect who is extremely knowledgeable in the field of hospital construction.

Tabled at this time was a letter dated May 19, 1965 addressed to His Worship the Mayor and members of Council from the City Solicitor, respecting the appointment of architects for the Halifax Mental Hospital, which contained an opinion as to the validity of the resolution passed at the meeting of City Council held on April 29, 1965 respecting such appointment.

Alderman O'Brien stated that he originally held the view that architectural experts in the field of hospital construction should be involved but had indicated same to the Director of Hospitals who was of the opinion that an involvement of this type of experts was not necessary in the initial stages of the construction of a Mental Hospital.

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Alderman O'Brien then suggested that the matter should be considered by the Board of Management of the Halifax Mental Hospital, the Public Health and Welfare Committee and the Finance and Executive Committee after each of these bodies had received a staff report on the question.

He suggested that the three words: surreptitious, clandestine and stealthy, used by Alderman A. M. Butler at the May 13th meeting of City Council to describe the action of the Board of Management in dealing with the matter of appointments of architects for the Mental Hospital, be withdrawn as there is no support in the report of the City Solicitor to substantiate such a claim.

Alderman A. M. Butler stated that the three words were used to describe the hasty manner in which the Board of Management had requested Council to make the appointment of architects in that no written recommendation was submitted, the request having been made verbally by Alderman O'Brien, Chairman of the Board of Management.

Furthermore, other architects were not invited to submit their proposals and no funds were available for this purpose.

In answer to a question by His Worship the Mayor, Alderman A. M. Butler stated that his basic objection to the appointment of L. R. Fairn and Associates by Council was the failure of the Board of Management of the Halifax Mental Hospital to be fair with all other architects and to give them a chance to express their views and to forward their proposals on a project costing four and one-half million dollars, for which the architects' fee would be very substantial.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Alderman Butler had been out of order when he had used the three words in question.

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Alderman A. M. Butler stated that the three words were used at the previous meeting of City Council and that he had not been called to order by the Chairman, Deputy-Mayor LeBlanc, and he contended that His Worship the Mayor had no right to call him to order at this time and he said: "And anyway, I repeat them."

His Worship the Mayor: "I must censure you and I will ask you to withdraw the remarks because they are without foundation."

Alderman Black questioned the right of the Mayor to censure Alderman Butler.

Alderman Moir said that as a member of the Board of Management of the Hospital, he felt that any error that had been made by the Board in taking this action was an honest one.

His Worship the Mayor said that in his opinion, Alderman Butler had used improper language when referring to the action of the Board of Management and he asked him to apologize.

Alderman Butler: "I will make an explanation at the next meeting of Council and give my reason for using the words I did."

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the matter of the appointment of architects be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration. Motion passed.

Motion - Alderman Black Re: Repeal of Section 17(3) of Halifax  
City Charter

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that sub-section 3 of section 17 of the Halifax City Charter be repealed.

Alderman Black, speaking on the motion, contended that the law, as expressed in the sub-section, is undemocratic and that

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citizens should be entitled to elect any worthy person for one or more terms for public office and he said he could see no difference in a provision for re-electing a Mayor and a provision for re-electing an Alderman.

The motion was put and passed as follows:

For the Motion: Aldermen Black, Abbott, Moir, Lane,  
LeBlanc, Trainor, Doyle, Richard  
and O'Brien - 9 -

Against it: Aldermen A. M. Butler, Meagher, Connolly  
and H. W. Butler - 4 -

Motion - Alderman O'Brien Re: Legislation Regarding Poll Tax Errors

Alderman O'Brien stated that at the last meeting, he gave notice that he would make the following motion:

"that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft legislation to make it possible for the City to correct administrative errors in the levying of poll tax and to make possible a refund in a case where a poll tax has been incorrectly assessed and paid for seven years."

He said that he would have to make his motion in two parts, one being to seek general legislation to correct administrative errors in the levying of poll tax and the other to seek specific legislation to make a refund to a taxpayer named Mason, a resident on Connolly Street who had been incorrectly assessed and has paid poll tax for seven years.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Black, that the City Solicitor be directed to draft legislation whereby the City would be enabled to:

- (a) Correct administrative errors in the levying of poll tax.
- (b) Grant a refund of poll tax paid by Mrs. Laura Mason, a resident at 3201 Connolly Street for the years 1959-65 inclusive.

Motion passed.

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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Appointment - Acting Commissioner of Finance

A report was submitted from the City Manager respecting the appointment of a Commissioner of Finance and Accounts.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the City Manager:

- (a) Mr. John L. Leitch be appointed Acting Commissioner of Finance, effective May 1, 1965 for a period of one year from that date.
- (b) Council defer making a permanent appointment to the position during this period.
- (c) Mr. Leitch be granted a pay adjustment of \$680.00 for the period January 1, 1965 to April 30, 1965 when he, as Deputy Commissioner of Finance, was required to resume additional responsibilities of the position of Commissioner of Finance and Accounts.
- (d) Effective May 1, 1965, the salary of Mr. John L. Leitch as acting Commissioner of Finance and Accounts, be fixed at \$11,840.00.
- (e) The City Manager be authorized to notify all applicants that the filling of this position has been deferred and if necessary, a new advertisement will appear one year hence.

Motion passed.

Letter - Spryfield Service Commission Re: North West Arm Bridge

A letter dated May 21, 1965 was submitted from the Spryfield Service Commission urging City Council to give top priority to the implementation of the North West Arm Bridge construction programme.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir, that the letter be tabled. Motion passed.

Letter - Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority Re: Establishment of a Regional Park

A letter was submitted from the Halifax-Dartmouth Regional Authority requesting that authority be given to negotiate for acquisition of lands owned by the Department of National Defence

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and the Department of Northern Affairs and Natural Resources on McNab's Island and George's Island to be developed for park purposes.

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the letter be referred to the Town Planning Board and the Finance and Executive Committee for consideration. Motion passed.

Report - City Solicitor Re: Appointment of Architects - Halifax  
Mental Hospital

The report of the City Solicitor had been considered earlier during consideration of item 16A.

Accounts Over \$500.00

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

Finance	Nova Scotia Housing Comm.	City's Share - Westwood Park for quarter ending March 31, 1965	\$1,037.60
	W.R. MacInnes & Company	Insurance on buildings and contents	9,450.00
	Canadian Urban Economics Limited (A Division of Larry Smith & Company)	Economic Study - Phase I	10,350.00
Works	Halifax Chrysler Dodge	Motor and Parts, Vehicle 133	815.00
	Quebec & Maritimes Trading Company	Parts for Jari lawn-mowers	583.62
			<u>\$22,236.22</u>

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

Applications - Lord's Day Permits

Applications for permission to operate businesses on the Lord's Day were submitted from the following:

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Question - Alderman Trainor Re: Inspection of Food Dispensing Trucks

Granville Newman	Africville	Candy and Grocery Store
Wilfred Mansour	6320 Allen Street	Confectionery Store
Felix LeBlanc	2091-2093 Brunswick Street	Grocery Store
Michael Mansour	839 Barrington Street	Grocery Store
Leon J. Lachey	731 Barrington Street	Grocery Store
Donald Mann Lim Lee	162 Barrington Street	Grocery Store
Donald P. Langille	1308 Birmingham Street	Grocery Store
Joseph Resk	2536 MacDonald Street	Grocery Store
Paul Alexiadis	2334 Maynard Street	Grocery Store
David Myer	2739 Connaught Avenue	Grocery Store
John Hudak	5558 Cunard Street	Grocery Store
Peter Henderson	3461 Dutch Village Rd.	Grocery Store
Robert Blackler	2731 Robie Street	Grocery Store
Cecil D. Billard	2404 Gottingen Street	Grocery Store

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Doyle, that permits to operate businesses on the Lord's Day be granted to the above-named applicants. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question - Alderman Trainor Re: Sweeping Streets - Ward 5

Alderman Trainor asked: "When will it be possible to have the streets in Ward 5 swept?"

The City Manager stated that he would discuss the matter with the Commissioner of Works and arrange to have the streets swept as quickly as possible.

Question - Alderman Trainor Re: Dust Nuisance - North Common

Alderman Trainor referred to the nuisance to the residents in the area of the North Common caused by the dust and asked that arrangements be made to have water trucks sprinkle the Commons to control this nuisance.

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Question - Alderman Trainor Re: Inspection of Food Dispensing Trucks

Alderman Trainor asked if trucks that are being used for dispensing foods to various establishments are subject to inspection by the appropriate members of the Health Department; also if the establishments where such food is prepared are subject to such inspection.

His Worship the Mayor stated that regular inspections were carried out by members of the staff of the Chief Sanitary Inspector.

Question - Alderman Trainor re: Call for Tenders - Uniacke Square

Alderman Trainor asked if Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation were responsible for calling the tenders for construction of the Uniacke Square Housing Development and if in calling for tenders, they would use the bid depository system.

The City Manager stated that Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation have called for tenders on behalf of the partnership and that he would contact the Regional Supervisor to explain to him that the City uses the bid depository system and ask that the corporation follow the same procedure.

Question - Alderman LeBlanc re: Traffic Lights - Chebucto Road and Mumford Road Intersections

Alderman LeBlanc asked if the safety factor had been lessened since the phasing of the traffic lights had been changed at the corner of Chebucto and Mumford Roads.

The Chief of Police stated that the changed phasing had been authorized by the former traffic authority but that he would investigate the matter referred by Alderman LeBlanc and submit a report.

Question - Alderman LeBlanc re: Rumoured Resignation - Director of Planning

Alderman LeBlanc asked if there was any foundation to the rumour to the effect that the Director of Planning has resigned his



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position. the Narrows Bridge.

The City Manager replied in the negative but he stated that the Director of Planning has indicated that he has been offered a position in another country. The City Manager further stated that he expects the Director of Planning will accept the position if all arrangements can be made.

Question - Alderman LeBlanc re: Welfare Officer

Alderman LeBlanc asked if the discussion held a few weeks ago concerning the Welfare Officer and Africville had been resolved.

The City Manager stated that the matter had not been thoroughly resolved as yet but that he has conferred with a senior member of the staff of the Halifax Mail Star who promised to submit further information which has not, as yet, been received.

Alderman LeBlanc then asked if the Health and Welfare Committee had invited any particular person to appear before it.

His Worship stated that Alderman LeBlanc's question would be answered when item 20A on the Order of Business was considered.

Question - Alderman Richard re: Abuttor's Charges for Paving Trolley Couch Routes

Alderman Richard asked when the report could be submitted from Staff respecting abuttor's charges for paving on trolley couch routes.

The City Manager stated that the report had been submitted previously and that a copy would be given to Alderman Richard.

Question - Alderman Richard re: Development Plans - City Prison Property

Alderman Richard asked when the members of Council can expect to receive the development plans for the City Prison field property.

The City Manager stated that final plans for the development of the prison property will depend upon decisions yet to be made with

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respect to the Narrows Bridge.

The Development Officer also stated that the development plans for the prison property had been assigned low priority because of the urgency of other projects to which higher priorities have been assigned.

Question - Alderman Richard re: Sidewalk Repairs

Alderman Richard stated that there appears to be some effort on the part of the Works Department to patch sidewalks with asphalt in residential areas, which he contended presents an unattractive picture and he asked if such repairs are being made as a temporary measure until the sidewalk is renewed with concrete.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Works Department is following the policy laid down by City Council some years ago that repairs would be made in this manner.

Question - Alderman Richard re: Smoke Nuisance

Alderman Richard stated that the smoke problem in the City seems to be increasing as a result of emissions from the stack at the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company and the Mulgrave Park Housing Project and he asked if any action is being taken by the Staff to curtail this.

The Development Officer stated that a study is being carried out at the present time at the Mulgrave Park Housing Project to determine whether or not the present fuel can be used more economically or whether a change should be made in fuels.

Question - Alderman O'Brien re: Flemming Park

Alderman O'Brien asked if any consideration has been given to the "rounding out of the City's holdings in the area of Fleming Park".

The City Manager stated that the matter is being processed and a report will be submitted in due course.

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Question - Alderman O'Brien re: Vacancy - City Staff

Alderman O'Brien asked that the City Manager submit to Council, at his convenience, a report on the number of vacancies on the City Staff with his assessment of any apparent problem that is indicated.

The City Manager was directed accordingly.

Question - Alderman Moir re: National Building Code

Alderman Moir asked if the City plans to adopt the National Building Code and if so, when; and, if not, why?

The City Manager was directed to submit a written report giving the answers to the question raised by Alderman Moir.

Question - Alderman Moir re: Improvements to North Common

Alderman Moir asked: How soon will work begin on improvements to the North Common and have we any funds for this work?

The City Manager replied that the work cannot commence until the Borrowing Resolution has been approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

Question - Alderman Moir re: Senior Staff Members

Alderman Moir asked if the senior members of the Staff will be returning to the center table in the Council Chamber now that adequate facilities have been provided for representatives of the Press.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City Manager should direct those members he requires to be present at the Council meetings to sit at the center table.

NOTICES OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Richard re: Improvements to Accounting Procedure

Alderman Richard gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council, he will move that the City Manager be

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instructed to invite several business machine companies to make submissions respecting improvements to the accounting system and procedures in the City operation with a view to achieving a greater degree of efficiency at a lower cost.

Notice of Motion - Alderman Richard Re: Sidewalk Repairs

Alderman Richard gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he will make a motion to rescind any prior policy of the Council regarding repairs to sidewalks with asphalt in residential areas, and that Council instruct the Manager to make such repairs of material of which the sidewalk is constructed.

Notice of Motion - Alderman Moir re: Amendment to Ordinance #108 - City Prison

Alderman Moir gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he will move the following amendments to Ordinance #108, the City Prison Ordinance:

1. That subsection (1) of Section II be repealed and the following substituted therefor:

"(1) Every prisoner shall be permitted to receive visitors one day each week during the hours of 9:00 to 11:00 o'clock in the forenoon, and 1:00 to 4:00 o'clock in the afternoon; the day on which each such prisoner may receive visitors shall be determined by the Warden.

2. That subsection (14) of Section 16 be amended by deleting the words "two weeks" in the fourth line thereof and substituting therefor the word "week".

ADDED ITEMS

Brief re: Municipal Welfare Department

A Brief was submitted from the Mainland Branch, Nova Scotia Association of Social Workers with respect to the Halifax City Welfare Department.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the brief be referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee

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for consideration. Motion passed.

Staff Establishment - Development Department

A report was submitted from the City Manager with respect to the staff establishment of the property management division of the Development Department.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that, as recommended by the City Manager, authority be granted to employ two additional persons in the property management division of the Development Department, one to give assistance in property negotiations and the other to act as a field representative, and that the job classifications and salary scales for the two additional employees be presented to Council for approval. Motion passed.

Waterfront Development Area

MOVED by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Richard, that Staff be instructed to include in the plans for the Waterfront Development, a park area which can be landscaped and developed for the benefit of the citizens. Motion passed.

10:20 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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