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REPORT - SAFETY COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Safety Committee held on December 22, 1965 with respect to the following matter:

Payment of Salary in Lieu of Annual Leave - Inspector G.O. Robinson - Police Department

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Black that, as recommended by the Safety Committee, the Chief of Police be authorized to pay Inspector G. O. Robinson three weeks' salary in lieu of three weeks' annual leave to which he is entitled for the year 1965, with the proviso that this is not to be considered a precedent and that in the ensuing years, all Departments will be expected to comply with the resolution of Council approved on December 17, 1964 with regard to employees taking their annual vacation in the year in which it is accrued. Motion passed.

8:50 p.m. Council recessed to meet as a Committee of the Whole.

8:55 p.m. Council reconvened, the same members being present.

REPORT - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Council considered the report of the Committee of the Whole respecting the following matters:

Amendments - Administrative Order #1 - Police Department

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole, the following amendment to Administrative Order No. 1 respecting the Halifax Police Force, Special Constables and the Sale of Lost Articles, be read and passed a second time:

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Halifax, under the authority of Section 451 of the Halifax City Charter, 1963, as follows:

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Administrative Order Number 1, Respecting the Halifax Police Force, Special Constables and the Sale of Lost Articles is amended by adding thereto immediately following Section 4, the following Section:

"4A (1) If any member of the Police Force is charged with any offence as set out in subsection (1) of Section 4, the Chief of Police may suspend from duty without pay any such member for a period not to exceed thirty days; provided, however, that, if such charge is based, in whole or in part, on a case before a court of law, such suspension may be for a period from the time when such charge is laid until thirty days after the final disposal of such case.

(2) The period of any suspension from duty without pay imposed upon any member of the Police Force by the Chief of Police as provided in subsection (1) of this Section, shall be included in any punishment that may be imposed by the Chief of Police upon such member as provided by subsection (1) of Section 4 or by the Committee upon such member as provided by subsection (4) of Section 4.

(3) If any member of the Police Force is suspended from duty without pay by the Chief of Police, as provided in subsection (1) of this Section, and the charge or charges against such member are dismissed by the Chief of Police, such member shall be entitled to and shall be paid at his regular rate of pay, for the period of such suspension."

Motion passed.

Amendment - Administrative Order #2 - Fire Department

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Trainor that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole, the following amendment to Administrative Order No. 2, respecting the Halifax Fire Department, be read and passed a second time:

BE IT ENACTED by the City Council of the City of Halifax, under the authority of Section 470 of the Halifax City Charter, 1963, as follows:

Administrative Order Number 2 is further amended by adding thereto, immediately following Section 5, the following Sections:

"6 The Committee may make rules and regulations for all members of the Fire Department and, from time to time, amend or repeal, in whole or in part, such rules and regulations.

7 (1) Every member of the Fire Department shall be issued with the following articles of uniform clothing:

(a) one uniform with two pairs of trousers every two years;

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- (b) one overcoat every five years;
 - (c) two grey shirts and two black ties every year; provided, however, that members of the Fire Department on day duty shall receive three grey shirts every year; and
 - (d) A shoe allowance of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) annually.
- (2) Every member of the Fire Department shall be issued with the following articles of duty equipment:
- (a) one regulation fire helmet;
 - (b) one regulation turn-out coat;
 - (c) one pair of rubber thigh boots with steel insoles; and
 - (d) one regulation leather belt with hose spanner."

Motion passed.

REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Town Planning Board held on December 21, 1965, with respect to the following items:

Modification of Set Back Requirements - Royal Bank of Canada Building, Hollis and George Streets

1. **MOVED** by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, approval be given to an application for modification of set back requirements to permit the erection of a 15-storey office building at the corner of George and Hollis Streets, subject to such set back being fixed at 20 feet above the first floor on George Street.

Motion passed with Aldermen Black and Connolly voting against.

Modification of Front and Side Yard Requirements - #6307 Yukon Street

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the modification of front yard and side yard requirements to permit the conver-

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sion of the existing single family dwelling at #6307 Yukon Street into a duplex by internal alterations, be approved. Motion passed.
Alteration to a Subdivision - Civic #3574, Lot 18, Claremont Street & Civic #3492, Lot 19, Warren Street

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the alteration to a subdivision of Civic #3574, Lot 18, Claremont Street and Civic #3492 Warren Street, be approved and that the advertising be dispensed with. Motion passed.

Proposed Tunnel Connections - Hospitals and Medical Buildings

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, Staff be instructed to liaise with representatives of The Children's Hospital and Medical Buildings in the area to study the feasibility of a tunnel connecting the buildings. Motion passed.

MOTIONS

Motion - Alderman O'Brien - Repeal Ordinance No. 9 Re: "City Home"

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Connolly, that the following Ordinance be read and passed a first time:

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

1. Ordinance Number 9, respecting the City Home, is repealed. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion - Alderman Abbott - Ordinance #114 Re: "Halifax Civic Hospital"

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that Ordinance No. 114 entitled "The Halifax Civic Hospital" Ordinance, which Ordinance establishes the Board of Management of such hospital and delegates certain powers and duties of such Board, be read and passed a first time. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion - Alderman Richard - Ordinance #115 Re: "Basinview Home"

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Trainor, that Ordinance #115 entitled "Basinview Home" Ordinance, which Ordinance establishes the Board of Management of such Home and delegates certain powers and duties of such Board, be read and passed a first time. Motion passed.

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MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Accounts Over \$1,000.00

No accounts were submitted for approval at this time.

Election to Fill Vacancy - Ward #2

A report was submitted from His Worship the Mayor recommending that a special election be held to fill the aldermanic vacancy in Ward 2 created by the death of Alderman Lane and that the date for Nomination Day be set as February 25, 1966 and Election Day as March 16, 1966.

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

Letter - Board of Trade Re: New Location for City Field

A letter was submitted from the Vice-President of the Board of Trade advising that the Board had adopted the following resolution at its meeting held on Thursday, December 16, 1965:

"THAT the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Halifax take steps to re-establish City Field at a new location at the earliest possible moment."

It was agreed to file the letter for information purposes.

Appointments - School Board

Alderman Black nominated Alderman Abbott for appointment to the Board of School Commissioners.

Alderman O'Brien nominated Alderman LeBlanc for appointment to the Board of School Commissioners.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that Aldermen Abbott and LeBlanc be appointed as members of the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax, each for a term of three years, expiring December 31, 1968. Motion passed.

Appointments - Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following for appointment to the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission:

His Worship the Mayor - 3-year term to December 31, 1968

Alderman Trainor - 3-year term to December 31, 1968

MOVED by Alderman H. W. Butler, seconded by Alderman

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Richard, that His Worship the Mayor and Alderman Trainor be appointed as members of the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission, each for a term of three years, expiring on December 31, 1968.

Motion passed with Aldermen O'Brien and Black voting against.

Appointments - Port of Halifax Commission

His Worship the Mayor nominated Alderman Trainor and Mr. R. W. Ferguson for appointment to the Port of Halifax Commission.

MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Richard, that Alderman Trainor and Mr. R. W. Ferguson be appointed as members to the Port of Halifax Commission for a term of three years. Motion passed.

Appointments - Housing Authority of Halifax

MOVED by Alderman Trainor, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that the matter of the appointment of members to the Housing Authority of Halifax be deferred. Motion passed.

Appointments - Board of Management - Halifax Mental Hospital

His Worship the Mayor nominated Aldermen Connolly, Moir, O'Brien and Black and Reverend Father Colin Campbell, Mrs. Arnold Sarty and David Bryson for appointment as members of the Board of Management of the Halifax Mental Hospital for a term of three years commencing on January 1, 1966.

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler, that the nominations of His Worship the Mayor be approved. Motion passed.

Appointment - Vocational High School Board

His Worship the Mayor nominated Alderman Black for appointment to the Vocational High School Board for a term of one year.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Matheson, that the appointment of Alderman Black to the Vocational High School Board, for a term of one year, be approved. Motion passed.

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Tabling of Urwick, Currie Limited Report

The report of Urwick, Currie Limited, Management Consultants engaged by the City to undertake a survey of the organization and administrative management of the City, was tabled at this time.

After considerable discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Black, that a Special Meeting of City Council be called for 3:00 p.m., Monday, January 3, 1966 to consider the report submitted by Urwick, Currie Limited. Motion passed.

QUESTIONS

Question - Alderman Connolly Re: Articles of Press Respecting Africville

Alderman Connolly referred to an article which appeared in a recent issue of the Toronto Star Weekly respecting Africville which quoted Alderman Moir as having made certain statements regarding Africville, and he said that since that time, a clipping from the Florida Times Union, published at Jacksonville, had been handed to him which quotes Mayor Vaughan as having made derogatory remarks about Africville. He asked if the Mayor had been misquoted in this article.

His Worship the Mayor denied having ever discussed Africville with any newsmen and he stated that the report had absolutely no foundation.

Alderman Moir said that with respect to the statements attributed to him in the article in the Toronto Star Weekly, he had prepared a two-page report which he had given to the Mayor in which he had explained that the statements attributed to him were not his words and the intent of his remarks with the reporter were so distorted as to be the very reverse of what he had expressed to the reporter.

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Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Homes for Incapacitated Young Boys

Alderman Matheson referred to the report of the City Manager considered at the meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee on December 23, 1965 respecting homes for incapacitated young people. He said that the minutes indicate that an effort is being made to set up such an agency for girls in the City but no effort is being made to set up an institution for boys who find themselves in this unfortunate position. He asked if some research could be done towards founding an institution where boys in the seventeen to twenty-one age group who are in difficulties, might find a home and an environment where they are capable of dealing with their problems and would provide an atmosphere that would be conducive to their becoming useful citizens.

It was his understanding that the Committee had accepted a broader challenge and were considering the plight of unfortunate boys other than the one mentioned in the Manager's report. The City Manager stated that the Committee, in deferring the matter, had not lost sight of the necessity of founding some such type of institution.

Question - Alderman Trainor Re: County Jail

Alderman Trainor asked if the City Council has any control over the expenditures for the operation and maintenance of the County Jail towards which the City pays 53%.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Joint Expenditures Committee approves an annual budget and that the operation of the County Jail is in the hands of the Welfare Committee of the County Council.

Alderman Trainor then stated that \$25,000.00 was spent on improvements to the Jail and an additional \$45,000.00 is contemplated for further improvements, and he asked what the reason was

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for this further expenditure and he pointed out that the total of this amount, \$70,000.00, would carry the financing of a new jail for one year.

His Worship the Mayor said that the improvements at the County Jail had been made on the recommendation of the Fire Marshall and were approved by the Court House Commission.

Question - Alderman Richard Re: Children Playing on the Street

Alderman Richard referred to the fact that with the advent of cold weather, the City streets will become icy and he asked that action be taken by either the Safety Committee or the Safety Authority to warn children about the dangers of playing on the street in an effort to reduce the hazard to a minimum.

His Worship the Mayor directed the Chief of Police to take note of the matter raised by Alderman Richard and to take whatever preventive action he deems necessary.

Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Garbage Collection

Alderman Matheson asked how many complaints the Commissioner of Works has received over the Christmas season with respect to garbage collection. He said that some people are upset because the collectors are not collecting cartons containing Christmas wrappings, the accumulation of which is too large for the regular containers.

The Commissioner of Works said that he had not received any complaints directly but that the collectors would normally leave cartons if they are not properly placed for collection, but would not refuse to pick up wrappings or any garbage that was placed in plastic bags or regulation containers.

The Commissioner of Works was asked to consider the possibility of having another Clean-Up Week early in the year.

9:55 p.m. Meeting adjourned.

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C. A. VAUGHAN,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD,
CITY CLERK