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it by Council.

Alderman O'Brien said that he understood that Mr. McNair of Urwick Currie Limited would be submitting an additional report respecting the Committee structure of the Council.

Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Armdale Rotary Improvements

Alderman Matheson asked if any further action is necessary by Council prior to improvements to the Rotary.

The Commissioner of Works said the matter would be considered at the next meeting of the Works Committee.

TENDERS FOR BALLOT BOXES

A report was submitted from the Finance and Executive Committee of its meeting held July 28, 1966, respecting tenders for Ballot Boxes.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman O'Brien, that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the tender of Henry's Heating for the supply of 95 ballot boxes for civic elections at a total cost of \$570.00, plus Federal Sales Tax, be accepted. Motion passed.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN RE: MAYOR'S VISIT TO OTTAWA

The Chairman said that His Worship the Mayor had instructed him to inform Council that he presently was in Ottawa attending the Executive Committee meetings of the Federation of Mayors and Municipalities. He said the Committee is preparing a submission to the Federal and Provincial Tax Structure Committee and the Federation is also making a study on the needs of urban transportation and financing plans.

LETTER AND PLAQUE PRESENTED BY CITY OF STAVANGER, NORWAY

The Chairman informed Council of the presentation of a

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plaque by the Mayor of Stavanger, Norway during an official visit to the Mayor's Office. A letter accompanying the plaque was read.

Alderman Moir suggested that the letter be framed and hung with the plaque on the walls of City Hall.

The Chairman said he would inform His Worship of the suggestion. He further stated that the letter and plaque would be acknowledged by His Worship the Mayor.

REPAIRS GUARD RAILS - BICENTENNIAL DRIVE

Alderman O'Brien referred to an item in the minutes of the Works Committee of July 19, 1966, respecting the proposed location of curb and gutter and guard rails for Bicentennial Drive. He pointed out that the minutes state that no action was taken on the matter.

Both Alderman Matheson and the Acting City Manager were of the opinion that the matter had been approved in Committee.

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Matheson, that the proposed location for curb, gutter and guard rails for Bicentennial Drive, at an estimated cost of \$5,000 to be shared by the Department of Highways, be approved. Motion passed.

HEALTH AND WELFARE COSTS

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Moir, that the Director of Finance and the Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare collaborate on the preparation of a report to be submitted through the City Manager respecting Health and Welfare Costs in the light of the Canada Assistance Act and the new Regulations by the Province of Nova Scotia; that priority be given to the matter by staff in an effort to prepare the report for presentation to Council

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at its meeting of August 25, 1966, so that the matter may be presented to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities the following week; and, in the event that it is impossible to have the report prepared by that time, that the matter be not presented to the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING - STREET CLOSURE - GERRISH STREET
MAITLAND STREET TO GOTTINGEN STREET

The City Solicitor said that the contract had already been awarded for Phase II of the Uniacke Square Project and construction is already underway. He said he had no way of knowing whether or not a delay in a decision would be harmful, but he pointed out that a building would be affected if the street were not closed.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that Gerrish Street, between Maitland Street and Gottingen Street be closed.

The motion was put and passed, as follows:

For the motion: Aldermen Matheson, LeBlanc, Richard, O'Brien,
H. W. Butler, Black, Abbott, Moir and Ivany - 9
Against it: Aldermen Meagher, Trainor, Connolly and Doyle - 4

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

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the Resolution, as submitted, be approved.

The motion was put and passed, as follows:

For the motion: Aldermen Matheson, LeBlanc, Richard, O'Brien,
H. W. Butler, Black, Abbott Moir and Ivany - 9
Against it: Aldermen Meagher, Trainor, Connolly and Doyle - 4

Alderman O'Brien suggested that letters of objection which are received by the City Clerk for presentation when a public hearing is to be held, be circulated to Staff immediately upon being received so that Staff may provide information and give comments on the matters raised in the letters of objection.

In answer to a question by Alderman Matheson, the Chief Planner stated that meetings were held with the Chief of Police and Chief of the Fire Department and the plans discussed.

Staff were directed to submit a report on the movement of Gerrish Street south.

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Meeting adjourned 10:05 p.m.

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DEPUTY MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

R. H. STODDARD
CITY CLERK

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CITY COUNCIL

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8:00 p.m.

1. Lord's Prayer.
2. Roll Call.
3. Minutes: July 18, 21 and 28, 1966.
4. Approval of Order of Business - Additions or Deletions.
5. Deferred Items:
 - (a) Appointments to Industrial Development Commission.
 - (b) Appointments to Advisory Committee Re: Beautification of City.
 - (c) Motion - Alderman Trainor Re: Amendment to Ordinance #111
"EARLY CLOSING" - First Reading.
 - (d) Appointments - Smoke Abatement Advisory Board.
 - (e) Inclusion of City of Halifax in Federal Government Plan
for Assistance - Economic Development Plan for
the Atlantic Provinces.
6. Motions of Reconsideration: (NONE).
7. Motion of Rescission: (NONE).
8. Public Hearings and Hearings: (NONE).
9. Petitions and Delegations:
 - (a) Petition Re: Closing Gerrish Street - Gottingen to Maitland Sts.
10. Report by Finance and Executive Committee:
 - (a) Authority to Expend in Excess of \$1000.
 - (b) Distribution of Voters' Lists.
 - (c) Possible Acquisition - #2265 Maitland Street.
 - (d) Moving Expenses - Senior Planner.
 - (e) Policy Re: Moving Expenses.
 - (f) Terminating Halifax County Vocational High School Agreement.
 - (g) Possible Acquisition - #2556 Barrington Street
 - (h) Collective Bargaining Negotiations - City of Halifax and
Halifax Civic Workers' Union, Local 108.
 - (i) Collective Bargaining Negotiations, Directors of Point Pleasant
Park and Halifax Civic Workers' Union, Local 108.
 - (j) Expo 67 - Sponsorship of Project.
 - (k) Proposed Taxation Study.
 - (l) Ordinance Re: Air Pollution Committee.
 - (m) Resolution Re: Air Pollution.
 - (n) Provincial Agreement #8 - Maintenance Certain City Streets.
 - (o) Control and Licensing of Firearms.
 - (p) Acquisition Rimco Property - Lower Water Street.
1. Report - Committee on Works:
 - (a) Proposed Diagonal Street - Bayers Road to Young Street.
2. Report - Safety Committee: (NONE).

13. Report - Public Health and Welfare Committee:

(a) Name for New Mental Hospital.

14. Report - Committee of the Whole Council, Boards & Commissions: (NONE).

15. Report - Town Planning Board:

(a) Extension to a Non-conforming Building - #818 Bridges Street.

(b) Extension to a Non-Conforming Building and Modification to Side Yard Requirement - #6033 Leeds Street.

(c) School, Church and Recreation Development - Dartmouth and Devonshire Avenues.

16. Motions: (NONE).

17. Miscellaneous Business:

(a) Accounts Over \$1000.

(b) Lord's Day Permits.

18. QUESTIONS.

19. Notices of Motion.

20. Added Items.

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- 20(d) - Use of City-owned Land : Council Chamber, City Hall,
Centre
20(e) - Permits - Club DOACHA Halifax, N. S.,
20(f) - Report - Forum Commission August 11, 1966,
8:00 p.m.

MOVED by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Moir
A meeting of City Council was held on the above date.

that these items be added to the Order of Business. Motion
After the meeting was called to order, the members
passed.
of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in reciting
MOVED by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Moir
the Lord's Prayer.

that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. Motion
There were present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman,
passed.
and Aldermen, Black, Abbott, Moir, Ivany, Matheson, A. M. Butler,
Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Connolly, Doyle, Richard, O'Brien
Appointments to Industrial Development Commission
and H. W. Butler.

His Worship the Mayor stated that this item should
be further deferred, as talks are still taking place with
respect to the Industrial Development Commission.
Brundige, V. W. Mitchell, G. F. West, C. Chang, R. H. Stoddard,
Appointments to Advisory Committee Re: Beautification of
Dr. E. M. Fogo, W. J. Clancey and Miss J. Lamb.
Further deferred.

MINUTES

Motion - Alderman Trainor Re: Amendment to Ordinance #111
Minutes of the meetings of City Council held on
July 18, 21 and 28, 1966 were approved on motion of Alderman
Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir. on the Order of Business

APPROVAL OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

until such time as an amendment to
the City The Chairman stated that there were three items to be
added to the Order of Business as follows:-

20(a) - Lease - Senior Citizens Housing Corporation
Limited.

this matter 20(b) - Mental Health Nursing Consultant's requested

by Council. 20(c) - Bursaries - Public Health Nurses

Alderman O'Brien asked that three additional items
Dartmouth and the County with respect to a regional Early
be added as follows:-

Closing Ordinance. He stated that the suggestion did not

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20(d) - Use of City-owned Land for Children's Creative Centre

20(e) - Permits - Club KWACHA

20(f) - Report - Forum Commission

MOVED by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Moir

that these items be added to the Order of Business. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Moir

that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. Motion passed.

DEFERRED ITEMS

Appointments to Industrial Development Commission

His Worship the Mayor stated that this item should be further deferred, as talks are still taking place with respect to the Industrial Development Commission.

Appointments to Advisory Committee Re: Beautification of City

Further deferred.

Motion - Alderman Trainor Re: Amendment to Ordinance #111
"Early Closing" - First Reading

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Black that this item be deleted from the Order of Business until such time as the City Solicitor prepares an amendment to the City Charter enabling the City to draft a new Early Closing Ordinance.

His Worship the Mayor reported that he had discussed this matter briefly with the Regional Authority, as requested by Council, to ascertain the feelings of the municipalities of Dartmouth and the County with respect to a regional Early Closing Ordinance. He stated that the suggestion did not

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receive very great interest. He further stated that if Council approves a new draft Early Closing Ordinance, he would then have a definite proposal to put before the Regional Authority on which to base discussions.

The motion was then put and passed.

Appointments - Smoke Abatement Advisory Board

It was agreed that this item should be deferred until the items respecting the Air Pollution Committee and the Resolution Re: Air Pollution had been dealt with.

Inclusion of City of Halifax in Federal Government Plan for Assistance

His Worship the Mayor reported briefly on his visit to Ottawa together with the Mayors of Dartmouth, Saint John and Fredericton, to meet with Cabinet Ministers of the Atlantic Provinces and Mr. Drury in an attempt to have these cities included in the Area Designation Agency programme which is designed to give direct grants and other form of economic assistance to new and expanding plants wishing to locate in economically depressed areas. He stated that Mayor Zatzman, spokesman for the group, presented an excellent case, but that they were advised that no change in the present policy would be recommended to the Government. He further stated that it was suggested by the Ministers of the Crown that the Atlantic Development Board be approached for assistance.

Some discussion ensued during which time Alderman Matheson stated that he felt the Mayors of the four cities involved should now get together again and approach the Atlantic Development Board for assistance and if necessary try to have

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the Terms of Reference of the Board broadened to obtain maximum assistance.

It was then MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that His Worship the Mayor be instructed to arrange a meeting with the Mayors of Dartmouth, Saint John and Fredericton with a view to taking up their case with the Atlantic Development Board. Motion passed.

MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION

No motions of reconsideration were heard at this time.

MOTIONS OF RESCISSION

No motions of rescission were heard at this time.

PUBLIC HEARINGS AND HEARINGS

No public hearings or hearings were scheduled at this time.

PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS

Petition Re: Closing Gerrish Street - Gottingen to Maitland St.

The City Clerk advised that a petition had been received, endorsed by Alderman Connolly, with respect to the closing of Gerrish Street and copies had been distributed to all members of Council.

Mr. J. T. MacQuarrie, appearing on behalf of the petitioners, stated that all the business owners in the area and some of the residents are extremely concerned about the decision of Council. He further stated that his main purpose for being present was to ask some member of Council to make a Motion of Reconsideration or even a Motion of Rescission respecting this decision. He contended that when the original

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hearings were held with respect to the Uniacke Square Project, some years ago, business owners and residents of the area did not realize that the closing of Gerrish Street was to be of a permanent nature. He maintained that Gerrish Street was a main connector street from Gottingen Street to Barrington Street and should not be closed.

Some discussion followed during which time the Development Officer stated that when the area was planned, the closing of Gerrish Street was proposed to safeguard the residents of the Uniacke Square area from through traffic, and he displayed a plan of the area under discussion.

The City Manager reported that public hearings had been held in 1962, 1963 and 1964 when the Uniacke Square Re-development Project was in its formative stage. He then outlined the traffic pattern on the plan displayed.

Alderman A. M. Butler asked the City Solicitor for his legal opinion with respect to the contract already awarded for this Stage of the Uniacke Square project.

The City Solicitor replied that, in his opinion, if Council makes any changes in the plans at this time, it would constitute a breach of contract, the contractor having already commenced construction on the project.

After further discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Connolly, seconded by Alderman Trainor that His Worship the Mayor be instructed to discuss with Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, the possibility of relocating the 11 proposed housing units south of Gerrish Street, so that the street could

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remain open.)

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

For: Aldermen Matheson, A. M. Butler, Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Connolly, Doyle, Richard, H. W. Butler, Abbott and Ivany 11

Against: Aldermen O'Brien, Black and Moir 3

REPORT - FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on August 4, 1966 with respect to the following matters:-

Authority to Expend in Excess of \$1,000

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, authority to expend in excess of \$1,000 for the following purposes be approved:

1. (a) June 16, 1966 - July 14, 1966
North Commons - Sod Shipments - R. Link & Associates \$24,476.40
- (b) July 15, 1966 - July 22, 1966
North Commons - Sod Shipments - R. Link & Associates 14,040.00
2. Fountain - North Common - R. Link & Associates 17,500.00
3. (c) Dingle Tower - Fleming Park - Repairs to wooden door jambs, copper flashings and masonry work and installation of concrete floor on observation deck 1,700.00
- (d) Dingle Tower - Fleming Park - Installation of new main steel stairs and repairs and alterations to existing stairs. Installation of steel railings on wall side of main stairs. 8,400.00

funds for same being available in the following accounts:

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1 (a) and (b) and 2. - Capital Account No. 57-14
3 (c) and (d) - 316-C Pending Approval of Capital Borrowing by
Department of Municipal Affairs. Borrowing Resolution passed
by City Council June 16, 1966.

Richard **MOVED** in amendment by Alderman Trainor, seconded by
Alderman Meagher that the item relating to the expenditure of
\$17,500 for the fountain on the North Commons be deferred
pending receipt of a report from the Commissioner of Works on
the breakdown of costs for this project.

The amendment was put and passed.

Butler The motion, as amended, was then put and passed.

Distribution of Voters' Lists

opinion **MOVED** by Alderman Doyle, seconded by Alderman Moir
that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee,
one copy of the Voters' List be made available immediately to
candidates upon payment of the following fees:-

Office of Mayor	\$25.00
Office of Alderman	\$10.00

Terminati this sum to be refunded when the candidate files nomination
papers, and that additional copies of the list will be given
to make a total of eight, at that time. Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - #2265 Maitland Street

that, as **MOVED** by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman H. W.
Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive
Committee, the City purchase the property owned by Mr. & Mrs.
Orland D. Clark, at 2265 Maitland Street, located within the
Uniacke Square Redevelopment Area, for the sum of \$7,200.00 as
settlement in full for all claims in connection with the acquisi-
tion of this property. Motion passed.

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Moving Expenses - Senior Planner

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Richard that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the sum of \$500.00 be authorized towards the moving expenses of Mr. R. W. Mackenzie, Senior Planner, to Halifax. Motion passed with Aldermen LeBlanc and Doyle voting against.

Policy Re: Moving Expenses

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman H. W. Butler that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Council establish a policy that, where in the opinion of the City Manager it is necessary to engage the services of a prospective employee, he be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding \$500.00 towards moving expenses in such cases. Motion passed with Alderman LeBlanc voting against.

Terminating Halifax County Vocational High School Agreement

A report was submitted from the City Manager respecting a draft agreement received from the Province of Nova Scotia which is to take over the operation of the Halifax County Vocational High School from the participating municipalities.

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

1. the draft Agreement between the Province of Nova Scotia and the City of Halifax respecting the operation of the Halifax County Vocational High School which provides as follows:-

1. All previous agreements are terminated as of July 31, 1966.

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2. The City will not have to pay its share of the operating costs for the period March 31, 1966 to July 31, 1966, until after December 31, 1966.

3. The principal amount of \$235,536.78 due by the City as at April 1, 1966, will be paid to the Province.

4. The Province will pay to the City \$474,901.33, which is obtained from:-

Payment per 3. above	\$235,536.78
Paid by City to April 1, 1966	<u>239,364.55</u>
	<u>\$474,901.33</u>

5. That the participating municipalities release all their claims, rights, estate, etc. in the land relating to the school.

be approved and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute same on behalf of the City of Halifax; and

2. title in fee simple to the lands together with buildings, easements, etc., on which the Halifax County Vocational High School is situated be transferred to Her Majesty the Queen in the right of the Province of Nova Scotia and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to sign the appropriate Transfer Deed on behalf of the City of Halifax.

Motion passed.

Possible Acquisition - #2556 Barrington Street

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Matheson that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the property at 2556 Barrington Street, owned by Nesco Enterprises Limited and located within the Uniacke Square

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Redevelopment Area, be purchased by the City for the sum of \$13,000.00 as settlement in full for all claims in connection with the acquisition of this property. Motion passed.

Collective Bargaining Negotiations - City of Halifax and Halifax Civic Workers' Union, Local 108

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Doyle that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City Manager be authorized to meet with representatives of the Halifax Civic Workers' Union, Local 108 for the purpose of negotiating a new collective bargaining agreement. Motion passed.

Collective Bargaining Negotiations, Directors of Point Pleasant Park and Halifax Civic Workers' Union, Local 108

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City Manager be authorized to meet with representatives of the Halifax Civic Workers' Union, Local 108 as Negotiating Officer on behalf of the Point Pleasant Park Commission. Motion passed.

Expo 67 - Sponsorship of Project

His Worship the Mayor stated that Major-General E. C. Plow had requested that this item be deferred until he is able to be present at the meeting.

The matter was then deferred.

Proposed Taxation Study

MOVED by Alderman O'Brien, seconded by Alderman Richard that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, three members of Council be appointed by His Worship the Mayor

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to meet with the Board of Trade to discuss the Terms of Reference for the initial taxation study and report back to Council.
Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor nominated Aldermen O'Brien, A. M. Butler and Richard for appointment to the special committee to meet with the Board of Trade.

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the appointment of Aldermen O'Brien, A. M. Butler and Richard be approved. Motion passed.

Ordinance Re: Air Pollution Committee

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

1. City Council instruct the City Manager to draft a new ordinance providing the reconstitution of the Smoke Abatement Committee as the Air Pollution Committee to advise the Committee on Works as to ways by which the air pollution problem may be more effectively dealt with; and
2. the City Solicitor be instructed by the City Manager to prepare more effective legislation respecting smoke contamination and air pollution.

Alderman O'Brien asked where the matter stands in respect to the City Dump.

Alderman Doyle replied that a meeting is scheduled for August 12, 1966, and a report will be forthcoming at the next meeting of Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the

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Some discussion followed with respect to the smoke nuisance at Mulgrave Park, and the Development Officer was asked, as a member of the Housing Authority, to raise the question at the next meeting of the Authority to ascertain where the matter stands with respect to converting the coal fired heating plant at Mulgrave Park to oil.

The motion was then put and passed.

Resolution Re: Air Pollution

MOVED by Alderman Richard, seconded by Alderman Black that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the following resolution be approved:

W H E R E A S the Government of Canada and the Province of Nova Scotia have become increasingly concerned with respect to the problem of air pollution;

A N D W H E R E A S it is now recognized that such air pollution is a hazard to the health of the citizens as well as a great source of personal irritation;

A N D W H E R E A S the residents of Halifax have suffered considerable property damage and personal annoyance as a result of air pollution from industrial heating plants, etc.;

A N D W H E R E A S the City of Halifax in recognition of the pollution hazard has taken steps to provide a more effective control within the City;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Halifax urge the senior levels of Government to take immediate steps to alleviate the air pollution problem in Halifax;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Council of the

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City of Halifax urge upon the Government of Canada and the Province of Nova Scotia the need for a permanent solution to this problem by way of inhibiting devices to prevent the escape of residue from industrial chimneys or, if necessary, by changing the fuel requirements of these plants, in order that maximum cleanliness may be achieved;

that, as BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Federal and Provincial Governments be asked to take the lead in the fight against air pollution by initiating prompt action with respect to those heating plants and their own establishments and as a result provide private industry with an example to follow in eliminating the smoke and pollution problem in this area.

Motion passed.

Provincial Agreement #8 - Maintenance Certain City Streets

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, Agreement #8 dated August, 1965, between the City of Halifax and the Department of Highways, Province of Nova Scotia relating to maintenance of certain city streets be approved and that His Worship the Mayor and the City Clerk be authorized to execute same on behalf of the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

At this time, Alderman O'Brien asked a question with respect to repairs to the Guard Rails on Bicentennial Drive.

The City Manager reported that the Minister of Highways has verbally advised that the Department of Highways will share the \$4,500.00 cost to re-align, repair and extend the guard rail on Bicentennial Drive. The Minister also agreed

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to the installation of a 9 inch curb on the south side extending from the Ashburn Avenue overpass to a point beyond the transmission tower near Ralston Avenue. The City is awaiting confirmation in writing.

Control and Licensing of Firearms

passed. MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman Ivany that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City write to the Provincial and Federal Governments advising that City Council is concerned about the indiscriminate use of firearms and asking them to investigate the possibility of drafting more stringent legislation with respect to the control and licensing of firearms.

passed. Some discussion followed during which time the Chief of Police stated that a study of the control measures with respect to the licensing of firearms might be of some benefit.

following. The motion was then put and passed, Aldermen A. M. Butler and Richard voting against.

Acquisition Rimco Property - Lower Water Street

At the August 11, 1966 Council Meeting, Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir, that, as recommended by the Finance and Executive Committee, the City purchase the Rimco Property at the corner of Bishop Street and Lower Water Street for the sum of \$75,000.00, funds to be provided from the Land Sale Account in full settlement for all claims arising from this acquisition. Motion passed.

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A resolution to withdraw the sum of \$76,000.00 from the Land Sale Account was submitted to give effect to the foregoing motion of Council.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that the resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed. Alderman Matheson abstained.

A formal Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$76,000.00 was submitted in the event that the Minister of Municipal Affairs did not approve of the withdrawal from the Land Sale Account.

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Moir that the resolution, as submitted, be approved. Motion passed. Alderman Matheson abstained.

REPORT - COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 2, 1966 respecting the following matters:

Proposed Diagonal Street - Bayers Road to Young Street

The following report was submitted:

At the August 2, 1966 meeting, five proposals for a diagonal street linking Bayers Road with Young St., at Windsor St., were presented to the Works Committee for consideration.

Scheme I, shown on Plan No. TT-6-16655 was approved by the Committee following explanations by the Commissioner of Works. This Scheme requires the least amount of private property of the five presented and will permit construction of the new roadway at comparative costs.

A diagonal street linking Bayers Rd., and Young St., was suggested in 1960 by Whitman Benn and Associates and Wilbur Smith and Associates in their report on Bicentennial Drive and other Western Entrances to the City. City Council has allocated

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Capital Funds in an amount of \$100,000 for property acquisition to carry out this project.

Scheme I suggests the acquisition of two properties in their entirety: (1) the George Curtis property at 6286 Bayers Rd., and (2) the Bloomingdale Investors Ltd. property at 6275-77 Young Street.

A small frame two storey single family dwelling and a reasonably large woodshed are located on the Curtis property. The dwelling is occupied by Mr. & Mrs. Curtis and one daughter. The building is in good condition. Mr. Curtis operates a cut wood business as his only means of livelihood. The woodshed has been considered for demolition.

There is a semi-detached frame building located on the Bloomingdale Investments land which is vacant at the present time.

In addition (3) a small area of land and minor alterations to the front steps of the property owned by Marjorie Lunn and (4) a small area of land would be necessary from the Public Service Commission to permit completion of the roadway.

The property acquisitions necessary are as follows:-

	<u>OWNER</u>	<u>AREA REQUIRED</u>	<u>ASSESSED VALUE</u>
1.	Geo. Curtis 6286 Bayers Rd.	14,190 sq.ft.	\$20,000
2.	Bloomingdale Investors 6275-77 Young Street	22,660 sq.ft.	\$70,000
3.	Marjorie Lunn 6298 Bayers Road	585 sq.ft.	\$ 1,230
4.	Public Service Commission 2084 Windsor Street	310 sq.ft.	\$ 2,500
	The estimated cost of Road Construction is		\$89,000

Alderman O'Brien pointed out that if the recommendation of the Committee on Works is accepted, two property owners in the area who had offers to purchase from the City, and whose properties will not now be required, will find themselves in difficult circumstances as a result of a change in the City's plan for the diagonal street.

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His Worship the Mayor said that any person who feels he has suffered injurious affection as a result of Council action on the recommendation of Staff may submit a claim for such injury.

Alderman O'Brien said that he is not aware of any Council action to acquire property for this purpose and he asked on what basis the City was involved in such acquisition.

The City Manager said that the record would have to be checked for an answer to Alderman O'Brien's question.

It was agreed to defer consideration of the matter to give the Staff an opportunity to display drawings of the five alternative schemes which had been prepared.

REPORT - PUBLIC HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

Council considered the report of the Public Health and Welfare Committee of their meeting held on August 4, 1966 with respect to the following matters:-

Name for New Mental Hospital

The following report was submitted:-

"At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held August 4, 1966, His Worship the Mayor suggested that a decision be made to give a name to the new Halifax Mental Hospital. He further suggested that the building be named in memory of the late Alderman Abbie Lane who was a member of the Hospital Board at the time of her death.

It is therefore recommended that the new Halifax Mental Hospital be named "Lane Memorial Hospital" in memory of the late Alderman Abbie Lane."

MOVED by Alderman Moir, seconded by Alderman O'Brien that the new Halifax Mental Hospital proposed to be erected on land near to the corner of Jubilee Road and Summer Street

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be named "The Lane Memorial Hospital" and that the concurrence of the Board of Management of the Halifax Mental Hospital be sought in this regard. Motion passed.

REPORT - TOWN PLANNING BOARD

Council considered the report of the meeting of the Town Planning Board held on August 2, 1966, respecting the following matters:-

Extension to a Non-conforming Building - #818 Bridges Street

MOVED by Alderman Ivany, seconded by Alderman Black that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the extension to a non-conforming building at #818 Bridges Street to permit an addition at the side of the dwelling, as shown on Drawing No. P200/2120, be approved. Motion passed.

Extension to a Non-conforming Building and Modification to Side Yard Requirement - #6033 Leeds Street

MOVED by Alderman Black, seconded by Alderman Connolly that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, the extension to a non-conforming building and modification of side yard requirements at #6033 Leeds Street to permit a one-storey addition at the rear, as shown on Drawing No. P200/2121, be approved, subject to the extension, or steps leading to the extension, not interfering with vehicular access to the rear yard on the east side of the building. Motion passed.

School, Church and Recreation Development - Dartmouth and Devonshire Avenues

MOVED by Alderman Matheson, seconded by Alderman Abbott that, as recommended by the Town Planning Board, and in

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order to facilitate the construction of a new Church and Church Hall in the area of Dartmouth and Devonshire Avenues,

1. traffic improvements as shown on revised plans, Nos. P850/75 and P850/76, be approved, subject to Union Street remaining an open street;
2. a date be set for a Public Hearing on the closing of Dartmouth Avenue from Roome Street to Gottingen Street and Acadia Street from Roome Street to Devonshire Avenue;
3. the lands be used for church, recreation and school purposes.

Motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Accounts Over \$1,000.00

The following accounts over \$1,000.00 were submitted and recommended for payment by the City Manager:

<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Eastern & Chartered Trust	Commission & Fees Halifax Superannuation Fund	\$8,265.43
W. R. MacInnes & Co.	City Property Insurance	5,539.00
Urwick, Currie Limited	Implementation of Gen- eral Survey Recommenda- tions	<u>2,211.65</u>
		<u>\$16,016.08</u>

MOVED by Alderman A. M. Butler, seconded by Alderman Trainor that the accounts be approved for payment subject to the direction that the account of the Eastern and Chartered Trust Company Limited in the amount of \$8,265.43 be charged as the law dictates.

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(a) Alderman Connolly requested a report from the City Manager indicating the total amount paid to Urwick, Currie Limited for their services in conducting a survey of the organization and administrative management of the City of Halifax.

(b) The City Manager was directed to prepare such a report.

The motion was then put and passed.

Lord's Day Permits

Applications for permits to operate stores on the Lord's Day were submitted from the following:-

Noah Bassil	3252 Agricola Street
Tanners' Grocery	6105 Charles Street.

The City Clerk advised that the premises of the applicants had been inspected and found to be acceptable.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Moir that permits to operate stores on the Lord's Day be granted to the above named applicants. Motion passed.

10:00 p.m. Alderman Black retires.

Proposed Diagonal Street - Bayers Road to Young Street

The Commissioner of Works displayed drawings of the five alternative schemes for the construction of a proposed diagonal street linking Bayers Road and Young Street from Dublin to Windsor Streets.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Committee on Works:

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- (a) Scheme 1 for the construction of a proposed diagonal street between Bayers Road and Young Street, be approved, that the properties involved be acquired and that a public hearing be held into the matter of the closing of Young Street as a through street; and
- (b) that His Worship the Mayor be empowered to negotiate with the Minister of Highways of the Province of Nova Scotia for a cost-sharing agreement on the cost of the construction of such diagonal street in accordance with Section 25, Chapter 235 of the Public Highways Act.

MOVED in amendment by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Trainor that Council accept Scheme No. 1 modified to allow east-bound traffic on Young Street through Windsor Street.

The amendment was put and lost as follows:

For: Aldermen Meagher, LeBlanc, Trainor, Doyle 4

Against: Aldermen Connolly, Richard, O'Brien, H. W. Butler, Abbott, Moir, Ivnay, Matheson and A. M. Butler 9

The motion was then put and passed with Alderman Connolly voting against.

QUESTIONS

Question - Alderman Trainor Re: Superintendent - Basinview Home

Alderman Trainor asked if the City Manager had ever received any complaints respecting the "dogmatic and dictatorial attitude of the Superintendent of Basinview Home."

The City Manager stated that he could not recall anyone having made such a complaint but that recently he had had a complaint from a person who felt they were unfairly treated by the Superintendent.

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It was agreed that the City Manager be instructed to investigate the complaint referred to by Alderman Trainor, and submit a report.

Alderman Connolly asked if the complaint would be referred to the Board of Management of Basinview Home; and His Worship the Mayor said that such a course of action would be followed after receipt of the report of the City Manager.

Question - Alderman Abbott Re: Traffic Control - Young Avenue-Inglis Street-South Park Street Intersection

Alderman Abbott asked that the Chief of Police be directed to investigate the need of installing traffic lights at the Young Avenue-Inglis Street-South Park Street intersection.

His Worship the Mayor said that the Chief of Police would be so directed and would also be asked to include the Tower Road-Inglis Street intersection in his study.

Question - Alderman Abbott Re: Complaints of Drag Racing on Young Avenue and Point Pleasant Drive

Alderman Abbott referred to complaints he had received, since the "Golden Gates" had been widened, of the streets in the vicinity being used for drag racing during the early hours of the morning. He asked if the Chief of Police had received any complaints and contemplated any action in this regard.

The Chief of Police said that he had received a report on the matter and had taken action, as of the previous evening, to eliminate the nuisance.

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Question - Alderman Connolly Re: Qualifications of the Superintendent - Basinview Home

Alderman Connolly asked that the qualifications of the Superintendent of Basinview Home be checked to determine whether or not he is qualified to assume the responsibility of management of the proposed new home for the aged.

The City Manager stated that it is intended to look at the total staff requirements of the new home based on the needs and the new regulations which are now being drawn up by the Province.

Question - Alderman Connolly Re: Provision of Benches - North End Branch Library

Alderman Connolly asked if it is proposed to provide benches on the grounds of the new North End Branch Library.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the provision of benches is not necessary as the wall which has been constructed can be used for this purpose.

Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Provision of Walkway - North End Branch Library

Alderman Matheson asked if it would be possible to have a walk-way constructed around the sculpture at the North End Branch Library so that it is possible to view the sculpture from all sides.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Library Board would be requested to consider the matter.

Question - Alderman O'Brien Re: Firefighting Requirements - High Rise Buildings

Alderman O'Brien asked that the Chief of the Fire Department be directed to report to Council through the Safety

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Committee as to whether or not the facilities of his department are adequate to provide the necessary firefighting services for the increasing number of high-rise buildings.

His Worship the Mayor said that the Chief of the Fire Department would be so directed.

Question - Alderman O'Brien Re: Adoption of National Building Code

Alderman O'Brien referred to a memorandum which had been circulated to the members of Council by the City Manager respecting the adoption of the National Building Code, and he asked where the matter now stands.

His Worship the Mayor said that consideration of this question will be given by the Committee on Works.

Question - Alderman O'Brien Re: Rezoning of Land at Jubilee Road and Walnut Street

Alderman O'Brien said that it is his understanding that application has been made for a building permit for an R-2 use of the property at the corner of Jubilee Road and Walnut Street which was recently rezoned to R-2 zoning.

The Commissioner of Works stated that application was made within the last week for a building permit; and that the applicant has taken it upon himself to make inquiries of the area residents to determine whether or not the proposed occupancy would be a nuisance to them or would adversely affect their interests.

Question - Alderman Richard Re: Left-hand Turn - Sackville onto Barrington Street

Alderman Richard asked if there is any particular reason why a left-hand turn north from Sackville Street to

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Barrington Street is not permitted, especially in view of the fact that Sackville Street is a one-way thoroughfare at that point.

His Worship the Mayor said that a report is being prepared respecting this matter and will be submitted to a subsequent meeting.

Question - Alderman Richard Re: Cross-Walk Violations

Alderman Richard referred to the attitude of an increasing number of motorists towards pedestrians using cross-walks at a number of important intersections in the City; and he asked if the Chief of Police was anticipating any action which would permit pedestrians to have more control over the use of cross-walks and to enforce motorists to show more courtesy to the pedestrian.

The Chief of Police stated that he had submitted a report to the Safety Committee in reply to a similar question by Alderman Matheson. He said that failure on the part of the motorist to yield to the pedestrian at a cross-walk is a violation and violators are continually being prosecuted; but that more vigorous action would be taken to enforce the law in this respect.

Question - Alderman LeBlanc Re: Left-turn Arrow for Southbound Traffic through Willow Tree Intersection

Alderman LeBlanc again asked that consideration be given to his earlier request for the provision of a left-turn arrow at the Willow Tree Intersection to permit southbound traffic to proceed down Bell Road. He observed that at most

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times only three cars are able to make the left-turning movement and congestion at the intersection could be lessened if an exclusive left-turn phase were provided.

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

Question - Alderman O'Brien Re: Water Supply

Alderman O'Brien asked: Where does the matter of the relocation of our water supply rest? Is it being worked on, and is there any timing indicated?

His Worship the Mayor said that the matter is being worked on but that the cost of relocating the plant and the procuring of another source of supply involves the expenditure of large sums of money, which will require a very substantial increase in water rates to the consumers. Therefore, the Public Service Commission has been attempting by negotiating with the Province, to secure other funds to assist in the cost of the relocation program.

He stated that the matter is being processed and has been for some months with the Nova Scotia Water Authority and the Atlantic Development Board.

Question - Alderman Matheson Re: Sale of Sewer System

Alderman Matheson asked: What happened to the proposal that we might sell the Sewer System to the Public Service Commission?

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Staff have not had time to process the matter due to the pressure of other business.

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Question - Alderman Matheson Re: New Court House

Alderman Matheson referred to the fact that one of the members of the Court House Commission had complained to him that the City Staff is not co-operating with the Commission as to the exact location of the land allocated for the new Court House, and he asked if the City Manager could assure the members of Council that the necessary co-operation was forthcoming from the Staff.

The City Manager stated that he was not aware of any lack of co-operation, and the Commissioner of Works stated that the architect had been supplied with a description of the pertinent land some time ago.

Question - Aldermen Ivany and Meagher Re: Park near Nova Scotian Hotel

Aldermen Ivany and Meagher referred to the neglected condition of Cornwallis Park opposite the entrance to the Nova Scotian Hotel and they asked that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to approach the appropriate officials of the C. N. R. to see if action could be taken to improve the appearance of the Park.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would be happy to make the necessary overtures and that he would offer the services of the City forces in this connection.

NOTICE OF MOTION

Notice of Motion - Alderman Connolly - To Rescind Resolution of Council respecting the Closing of a Portion of Gerrish Street

Alderman Connolly gave notice that at the meeting of City Council scheduled for August 25, 1966, he will move that