

Alderman LeBlanc asked whether any reply has been received with respect to sharing on an additional \$11,000.00 which was suggested to be added to the budget of the Neighbourhood Centre some time ago.

The City Manager replied that the City has tried to get an answer on this matter but has not received one as yet.

Mayor and Aldermen

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that an amount of \$40.00 be taken off Materials and Supplies and an amount of \$200.00 from Fixed and Sundry.

It was pointed out that an amount of \$2,000 had been taken off Contractual Services previously.

The motion was put and passed.

At this time, Alderman LeBlanc asked for a report from the City Manager on Conventions.

The City Manager listed the persons who it was proposed would be attending Conventions, spelled out the amount estimated for the trip and location where possible. He advised that the total for Conventions was \$17,000 which included an amount for the Mayors Federation Convention.

After some discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that:

1. the \$17,000 figure for Conventions be reduced by 40%;
2. the City Manager allocate the remaining funds according to his best judgement; and
3. a directive be issued to all Boards and Commissions to effect a 40% cut in their Convention accounts.

After further discussion on the ways and means to effect such a reduction, the motion was put and passed with Alderman Hogan voting against.

City Manager's Office

Reference was made to the three open positions allowed for in the City Manager's Budget and discussion again ensued with respect to the Staff Establishment and the present vacancy position.

The City Manager explained why he had included an amount of money for this purpose and said also that additional staff will be required for the second Magistrate's Court. He reviewed several other vacancies which he considered should be filled as quickly as possible.

After further discussion, the City Manager advised that he would like to discuss a few of the vacant positions with Council in private before any final decision is made.

Alderman Meagher requested the figure that would be produced if the vacant positions are not filled this year.

It was agreed that this matter again be considered after hearing from the City Manager in private.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that Contractual Services in the City Manager's Office budget be reduced by an amount of \$200.00 and Materials and Supplies by an amount of \$50.00. Motion passed.

#### City Clerk's Office

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Contractual Services in the City Clerk's Office budget be reduced by an amount of \$50.00, Materials and Supplies by \$65.00 and Fixed and Sundry by \$140.00. Motion passed.

#### Finance Department

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the total budget for the Finance Department be reduced to \$670,000.00.

Reference was again made to vacant positions and the need to fill them immediately and it was agreed that the Committee should meet privately with the City Manager at this time.

5:00 p.m. Committee of the Whole adjourned to meet privately with the City Manager.

5:50 p.m. Committee of the Whole adjourned until 7:00 p.m.

7:10 p.m. Committee of the Whole reconvened the following persons being present:

Deputy Mayor, Chairman, Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc, McGuire, Meagher, Allen and His Worship the Mayor.

The motion to reduce the Finance Department's budget to \$670,000.00 was put and passed with His Worship the Mayor voting against.

#### Solicitor's Department

After some discussion on the need to fill a presently vacant position and the amount of work to be done in this Department, it was MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman McGuire that the total budget for the Solicitor's Department be reduced to \$99,000.00. Motion passed.

#### Assessor's Department

Alderman LeBlanc referred to the fact that the City has a re-assessment every five years and he asked what the Assessors did during the off years. He suggested that they might be used in other Departments such as Building Inspection.

The City Manager pointed out that they would not be adequately qualified to assist Building Inspection but some might be used in Real Estate. He pointed out the proposed reduction in Staff which related to those persons mainly concerned with Poll Tax. He said that he expects to have a lengthy discussion with the City Assessor when things calm down about his Department.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that an amount of \$150.00 be taken from the account for Contractual Services in the City Assessor's budget and an amount of \$200.00 from Materials and Supplies.  
Motion passed.

Development Department

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Contractual Services in the Development Department Budget be reduced by \$400.00 and Materials and Supplies by \$100.00.

Discussion followed with respect to the possible use of the Assessors to make appraisals on properties to be acquired by the City.

Alderman McGuire questioned the need to fill the position of Architect at this time.

It was MOVED in Amendment by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Contractual Services in the Development Department Budget be reduced to \$9,000.00 and Materials and Supplies by \$100.00.

The Amendment was put and passed.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the filling of the position of Architect in the Development Department be deferred until 1972 and the amount for Personnel Services be reduced by an amount of \$11,000.00. Motion passed.

A question was raised with respect to the need for additional clerical Staff in this Department and the City Manager said that the Committee will receive quite a jolt when it sees how many planning applications are to come before it next week and he was of the opinion that it was very necessary to replace the vacant position. He said that it might not be filled right away but he would not like to see it cut from the budget.

Personnel Department

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Contractual Services in the Personnel Department's Budget be reduced by an amount of \$550.00 and Materials and Supplies by \$100.00.

MOVED in Amendment by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Contractual Services be reduced

to \$12,000.00 and Materials and Supplies by \$100.00.

The Amendment was put and passed with His Worship the Mayor and Alderman McGuire voting against.

Reference was made to the vacant position for Personnel Assistant/Labour Relations and the City Manager explained the urgent need for a capable person to fill this position since he was of the opinion that labour relations needed to be improved in this City. He said that it might be necessary to pay a higher salary than is allowed in the budget to get the right person for the job.

It was then MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by His Worship the Mayor that the budget for the Personnel Department in the amount of \$64,170.00, as amended, be approved.

Alderman LeBlanc said that he would support the motion but he hoped that a full discussion might be held with respect to the Personnel Department before the budget sessions have concluded.

The motion was put and passed unanimously, the following persons being present and voting for the same:

For: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc, McGuire, Meagher and Allen.

#### Internal Audit Department

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by His Worship the Mayor that Contractual Services in the Internal Audit Department's budget be reduced to \$1,500.00.

The City Manager said that he hopes that one member of this Staff will take some training on work study analysis.

MOVED in Amendment by Alderman Abbott that the total budget of the Internal Audit Department be cut by 5%.

No-one seconded the motion.

The motion was put and passed with Alderman Abbott voting against.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by His Worship the Mayor that the budget for the Internal Audit Department, as amended, in the amount of \$38,320.00, be approved.  
Motion passed.

#### Planning Department

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that Contractual Services in the Planning Department's Budget be reduced to \$15,000.00.

The motion was put and passed, four voting for

the same and three against it as follows:

For: Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc and Meagher 4

Against: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Allen and McGuire 3

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that Materials and Supplies in the Planning Department's Budget be reduced by \$500.00 to \$7,000.00. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Allen that the budget for the Planning Department, as amended, in the amount of \$247,850.00, be approved. Motion passed.

General Government Sundries

The City Manager gave brief answers to some questions asked about several items in this budget.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the amount for Design, Engineering and Consultants be reduced by a further \$15,000 to \$35,000.00.

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

For: Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc and Meagher 4

Against: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Allen and McGuire 3

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the Manager Contingency account be reduced from \$50,000 to \$35,000.00.

MOVED in Amendment by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the Manager Contingency account be reduced from \$50,000 to \$25,000.00.

The City Manager cautioned Council about not leaving a small safety valve since the figures recommended are pretty tight estimates.

The Amendment was then put and passed with His Worship the Mayor voting against.

Alderman LeBlanc questioned the membership fees for the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities and the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities.

His Worship the Mayor said that if the City does not pay them, then they are no longer members.

After a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman

McGuire, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the budget for General Government Sundries, as amended, in the amount of \$1,170,815.00, be approved. Motion passed.

General Government - Capital Items From Revenue

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Abbott that an amount of \$150,000.00 be taken from the total of Capital Items From Revenue, leaving an amount of \$319,915.00.

The City Manager said that there is very little in this amount for new equipment, much of it is replacement costs and some of the equipment to be replaced is not presently able to be used.

His Worship the Mayor said that the motion is just putting off a greater amount of money which will have to be expended next year.

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

For:	Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc and Meagher	4
Against:	His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Allen and McGuire	3

Scotia Square

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the budget for Scotia Square, in the amount of \$255,210.00, be approved. Motion passed.

City Property - City Hall

The Director of Finance, upon request, listed those items included under Contractual Services.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that an amount of \$2,000.00 be deleted from this budget which was included to replace the windows in the area occupied by Transit Offices. Motion passed with His Worship the Mayor voting against.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the budget for City Property - City Hall, as amended, in the amount of \$43,030.00, be approved. Motion passed.

It was pointed out that the windows are in very bad shape and leak.

The Chairman felt that a good caulking compound could be used and the windows would last another three or four years.

Police Department

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman McGuire that the budget for the Police Department, in the amount of \$2,661,360.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Fire Department

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the budget for the Fire Department, in the amount of \$2,650,770.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Inspection Services

Some discussion ensued on the possible use of some of the Assessors in the Inspection Department and the need for Chief Electrical and Plumbing Inspectors.

It was suggested that Staff should make a comparison of staffs of Inspection Departments in other cities in Canada of comparable size and age.

The City Manager said that the City is not high in the Inspection Services Department.

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the budget for Inspection Services, in the amount of \$234,090.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Magistrates Court

The City Solicitor advised that the Province is going to assume the cost of night courts, but the City is to assume the cost of the Second Court which means that another \$1,000.00 will be necessary on the budget.

After some discussion on this point, it was MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman McGuire that the budget for the Magistrates Court, in the amount of \$76,170.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Fire Alarm Department

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Allen that the budget for the Fire Alarm Department, in the amount of \$72,850.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Protection of Persons and Property - Sundries

After a short discussion on this budget, it was agreed that a decision should be deferred until later.

City Property - Police Station

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that Materials and Supplies in this budget be cut by \$580.00. Motion passed.

City Property - Fire Alarm Building

Alderman Allen suggested that the amount included in the budget for repointing be deleted.

After a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Abbott that an amount of \$2,550.00 which was included for repointing, be deleted from this budget, leaving a total of \$860.00. Motion passed.

Street Lighting

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by His Worship the Mayor that an amount of \$16,000.00 be added to this budget to continue the mainland area street lighting programme.

In speaking to his motion, Alderman Allen said that the lighting in the annexed areas is far from adequate.

The motion was put and lost.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the budget for Street Lighting, in the amount of \$400,000.00, be approved. Motion passed with His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Allen and McGuire voting against.

Traffic Lights

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the whole budget be deleted.

After some discussion, Alderman Allen, with the approval of his seconder, withdrew his motion.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the budget for Traffic Lights be reduced by \$5,550.00, leaving \$72,250.00.

In reply to a question from the Chairman, the City Manager advised that some traffic lights were bought in bulk and stored because of delivery times and because it was anticipated that they would be needed. He said that money would be required to have them installed.

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

For:	Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc and Meagher	4
Against:	His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Allen and McGuire	3

Traffic Marking and Signs

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the budget for Traffic Marking and Signs, in the amount of \$98,610.00, be approved. Motion passed.



Maintenance of Parking Meters

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Allen that the budget for the Maintenance of Parking Meters, in the amount of \$47,000.00, be approved.

After a short discussion on the possibility of spreading the payment for parking meters over five years rather than the present three, the motion was put and passed.

Works Department - General Administration

After a short discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that Contractual Services be cut by \$1,400.00 and that the budget for Works Department - General Administration be approved in the total amount of \$304,980.00. Motion passed.

Surveying, Drafting and Engineering

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that an amount of \$20,000.00 be cut from this budget and that a total budget for Surveying, Drafting and Engineering, in the amount of \$555,000.00, be approved.

After some discussion, the motion was put and passed with His Worship the Mayor and Alderman McGuire voting against.

City Property - City Field

After discussion, it was MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the budget for City Property - City Field be cut by 4%. Motion passed with Alderman McGuire voting against.

City Property - Miscellaneous

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the budget for City Property - Miscellaneous, in the amount of \$14,000.00, be approved. Motion passed with Alderman LeBlanc voting against.

City Property - Armdale Civic Centre

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the budget for City Property - Armdale Civic Centre, in the amount of \$6,000.00, be approved. Motion passed.

City Property - Health Centre

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the budget for City Property - Health Centre, in the amount of \$23,120.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Streets

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman McGuire that the budget for Streets, in the amount of \$525,000.00, be approved. Motion passed with Aldermen LeBlanc, MacKeen and Abbott voting against.

Snow and Ice Control

Alderman Meagher asked if the City Manager has a figure to illustrate what has been expended to date.

The City Manager said that a further \$175,000.00 should be added to whatever amount has actually been expended.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Allen that the budget for Snow and Ice Control, in the amount of \$625,000.00, be approved.

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

For:	Aldermen MacKeen, McGuire, Meagher and Allen	4
Against:	His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Abbott and LeBlanc	3

Equipment Maintenance

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the budget for Equipment Maintenance be approved. Motion passed.

City Property - Chlorination Plant

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman McGuire that the budget for City Property - Chlorination Plant, in the amount of \$15,260.00, be approved. Motion passed.

City Property - Sewage Pumping Stations

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by His Worship the Mayor that the budget for City Property - Sewage Pumping Stations, in the amount of \$69,650.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Retention Tank

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman McGuire that the budget for the Retention Tank, in the amount of \$11,290.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Incinerator & Incineration

MOVED by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Materials and Office Supplies for the Incin-

erator and Incineration be reduced to \$47,000.00. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the budget for Incinerator and Incineration, in the amount of \$460,480.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Refuse Collection

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the budget for Refuse Collection, in the amount of \$325,000.00, be approved. Motion passed.

City Dump

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Allen that the budget for the City Dump, in the amount of \$55,160.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Street Cleaning

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the budget for Street Cleaning, in the amount of \$160,000.00, be approved. Motion passed with Alderman MacKeen voting against.

Cleaning Catchpits

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the budget for Cleaning Catchpits, in the amount of \$11,000.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Sewers

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that Contractual Services in the budget for Sewers be reduced by \$5,000.00.

The City Manager warned that this reduction might be false economy.

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

For:	Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc and Meagher	4
Against:	His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Allen and McGuire	3

Public Health Department

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by His Worship the Mayor that the budget for the Public Health Department, in the amount of \$44,100.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Halifax Civic Hospital

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the budget for the Halifax Civic Hospital, in

the amount of \$20,440.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Halifax Mental Hospital

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the budget for the Halifax Mental Hospital, in the amount of \$537,000.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Public Health Sundries

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the budget for Public Health Sundries, in the amount of \$121,300.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Social Assistance

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the budget for Social Assistance, in the amount of \$3,805,610.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Basinview Home

Some discussion ensued on this budget and it was pointed out that although it is expected the Home will be vacated by the end of April, the amount included in the budget will be required to be applied against the cost of accommodation for the residents who have been relocated to other nursing homes.

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Budget for Basinview Home, in the amount of \$513,700.00, be approved. Motion passed.

Social Assistance Sundries

MOVED by Alderman Abbott that the budget for the Neighbourhood Centre be reduced to \$40,000.00.

No-one seconded the motion.

It was pointed out that no answer has been received from the province with respect to any possible sharing on the additional \$11,000.00 that was proposed.

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that this budget and other included on the page number 79, be deferred to a later budget session. Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Committee of the Whole adjourn until 7:00 p.m. tomorrow evening. Motion passed.

The City Manager was asked to report at the next meeting on the dollars and cents related to the 20 vacant positions.

It was agreed that Page 79 be considered at tomorrow's meeting.

10:00 p.m. Meeting adjourned until 7:00 p.m.  
Tuesday, March 20, 1971.

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DEPUTY MAYOR H. G. IVANY  
CHAIRMAN

of the Whole Council was held in  
His Worship the Mayor,  
McGuire, Beaghe, and  
and other staff members.

meeting had been called to  
current budget.

Social Assistance

Manager stated that there  
not the Province would spend  
Neighbourhood Centre.

for Wards of Children  
\$125,000, and a discussion  
this matter.

following meeting in order  
to get something from the

Education (Page 2)

Minister of Education  
before a meeting could be  
committee, so that the  
City would want to request  
tax rate.

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one point on the rate  
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total rate, and

Alderman Beaghe  
as requested by

ADJOURNED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
MEETING

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.  
March 30, 1971  
7:00 P.M.

An adjourned meeting of the Committee of the Whole Council was held on the above date.

Present: Deputy Mayor Ivany, Chairman; His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc, McGuire, Meagher, and Allen.

Also present; City Manager, City Clerk, and other staff members.

The City Clerk advised that the adjourned meeting had been called to continue examination of the 1971 Current budget.

Social Assistance (Page 79):

A report dated March 30 from the City Manager stated that there was still no decision as to whether or not the Province would share in the additional \$11,000 for the Neighbourhood Center.

The City Manager stated that the figure for Wards of Childrens Aid should be increased to \$135,270 from \$125,000, and a discussion ensued on the Province's position in this matter.

Approval of this page was deferred until following meeting in order that the City Manager might endeavour to get something from the Province in writing on these matters.

Education (Page 86):

His Worship the Mayor said that the Minister of Education had indicated it would be April 15th before a meeting could be arranged with the Education Assistance Committee, so that the question now arose as to whether the City would want to request a further extension before setting the tax rate.

There was a discussion as to what percentage \$120,000 represented on the residential and business tax rate; the City Manager stating that \$120,000 represented one point on the residential rate and something else on the business rate. However, His Worship thought it might be one point on the total rate, and suggested that this point be confirmed.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Meagher that approval be given to the figure of \$19,541,690 as requested by the School Board.

MOVED in Amendment by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the figure of \$19,541,690 for the Education Budget be reduced by \$300,000.00, to give a figure of \$19,241,690.

Alderman McGuire spoke to some length about why he felt the figure should not be reduced, following which the Motion to Amend was put and lost, three voting for the same and four against as follows:

- For - Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc .... 3
- Against - Aldermen McGuire, Meagher, Allen, and His Worship the Mayor ..... 4

MOVED in Amendment by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman MacKeen, that the Education Budget figure of \$19,541,690 be reduced by \$250,000.

The Motion to Amend was put and lost, Aldermen McGuire, Allen, Meagher, and His Worship the Mayor voting against.

MOVED in Amendment by Alderman LeBlanc, seconded by Alderman MacKeen, that the Education Budget figure of \$19,541,690 be cut by \$200,000.

The Motion to Amend was put and lost, Aldermen McGuire, Allen, Meagher, and His Worship the Mayor voting against.

The main Motion was then put and passed, Aldermen LeBlanc, MacKeen, and Abbott voting against.

Recreation and Playgrounds Commission (Page 90):

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that this budget be reduced a further \$49,000, to give a total of \$550,000.

His Worship the Mayor and Alderman Allen spoke against this further education, following which the motion was put and lost, three voting for the same and four against, as follows:

- For - Aldermen Abbott, LeBlanc, and Meagher .... 3
- Against- Aldermen MacKeen, McGuire, Allen, and His Worship the Mayor ..... 4

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by His Worship the Mayor, that the figure of \$599,000 be approved for the Recreation and Playgrounds Commission budget.

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

- For - Aldermen MacKeen, McGuire, Allen and His Worship the Mayor ..... 4
- Against - Aldermen Abbott, LeBlanc, and Meagher ... 3



Education Sundries (Page 87):

The Committee agreed to the Manager's recommendation of \$36,000.

Halifax Forum Commission: (Page 92)

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that \$15,000 be cut from the 1971 request of \$161,171, representing an approximate 10% reduction, giving a figure of \$152,171.

The City Manager pointed out that the Forum's revenue would be down as a result of the reduction in the Recreation Commission's budget; however, Alderman Allen felt that might alter as a result of new priorities within the Recreation Commission. Also, Alderman Allen added, there was considerable interest in the use of the Forum's rink facilities.

The motion was put and passed.

Recreation - Maintenance (Page 93):

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the Recreation Maintenance Budget be cut an additional \$24,000, giving a total of \$130,000.

MOVED in Amendment by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Allen that the \$24,000 figure be changed to \$10,000.

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

- For           - Aldermen MacKeen, McGuire, Allen,  
                  and His Worship the Mayor ..... 4
- Against       - Aldermen Abbott, LeBlanc, and  
                  Meagher ..... 3

The motion as amended was put and passed  
Aldermen Abbott, LeBlanc, and Meagher against.

Centennial Pool - Maintenance (Page 94)

Action on this budget was deferred until the following day's meeting.

Halifax City Regional Library (Page 97):

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman McGuire that the Manager's recommendation of \$544,480 be cut by \$25,000, giving a total budget of \$519,480. Motion passed with Alderman MacKeen against.

Point Pleasant Park (Page 99):

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc, that the Manager's recommendation of \$76,940 be cut by \$3,847 (5%) giving a total budget of \$73,093.

The motion was put and passed on the Chairman's vote in favour, three Aldermen voting for the same and three against as follows:

For	- Aldermen Abbott, LeBlanc, and McGuire .....	3
Against	- His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen MacKeen and Allen .....	3

(Aldermen Meagher was absent from the Chambers at the time of this vote)

Camphill & Fairview Cemeteries: (Page 100)  
Market Building: (Page 102)  
Ferry Landings: (Page 103)

The Committee agreed to these budgets as submitted.

Parks Playgrounds & Public Open Areas (Page 104):

MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the present budget figure of \$224,660 be reduced a further \$4660, giving a total budget of \$220,000. Motion passed with Alderman MacKeen against.

The mover had originally requested the \$4660 be taken from the amount for Contractual Services, but left this decision to staff at the City Manager's request.

Public Gardens (Page 105):

The Committee agreed to the Budget figure as it presently stood of \$150,990.00.

9:10 P.M. - The Committee adjourned for a 10 minute recess.

9:20 P.M. - Meeting reconvened with the same members being present.

Provisions for Allowances (Page 109) 10,  
Contributions to Capital (Page 110)  
Joint Estimates (Page 111)

The Committee agreed to these estimates as submitted.

Halifax-Dartmouth Port Commission (Page 114):

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by His Worship the Mayor, that the budget figure of \$102,620 be approved.

Alderman McGuire then said he would withdraw his motion as he intended to MOVE the figure of \$122,620 be approved. However, there was no seconder to this motion.

MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman McGuire, that the figure of \$112,620 be approved for the budget of the Halifax-Dartmouth Port Commission.

MOVED in amendment by Alderman Meagher seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the \$112,620 figure be changed to \$100,620. The motion to amend was put and lost, Aldermen MacKeen, McGuire, Allen, and His Worship the Mayor against.

The main motion was then put and passed, Aldermen Abbott, LeBlanc, and Meagher against.

Tourist Convention Bureau (Page 116):

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Abbott that this budget be cut by 5% or \$3,750, giving a total budget figure of \$71,250. Motion passed.

Halifax Industrial Commission (Page 118):

In view of recent discussion in this regard, His Worship the Mayor suggested that rather than vote the money to the Commission it be voted for "industrial development purposes to be negotiated between the City Manager and the Commission.

It was agreed by the Committee to put the funds under "General Government" to be used for industrial development purposes.

Housing (119)

The budget figure of \$199,860 had previously been agreed to.

Halicon (Page 120)

The Committee agreed to the figure as submitted.

Halifax Transit Corporation (Page 122)

Alderman Abbott started off by MOVING that \$125,000 be deducted from the 1971 Request figure; however after some discussion on the matter, and advice from the City Manager that the present figure stood at \$518,280, Alderman Abbott MOVED, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that \$100,000 be deducted from the original 1971 Request figure of \$598,280, giving a total budget of \$498,280. Motion passed.

Landmarks Commission (Page 123)

Alderman McGuire MOVED, seconded by His Worship the Mayor that a revised figure from the Commission of \$5500, which would allow the Commission to employ its own secretarial help, be approved.

The City Manager said that he felt the Planning Department could provide the necessary secretarial services, and thus allow an economy in this connection.

MOVED by Alderman Meagher in amendment, seconded by Alderman Abbott, that the \$5500 figure be changed to the Manager's recommendation of \$3200. Motion passed with Alderman McGuire and His Worship the Mayor against.

The motion as amended was put and passed with His Worship the Mayor and Alderman McGuire against.

Grants (Page 124):

Y.M.C.A.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the \$20,000 grant to the Y.M.C.A. be deleted.

The motion was put and lost, three voting for the same and four against as follows:

For - Aldermen LeBlanc, McGuire, Meagher .... 3

Against - His Worship the Mayor, and Aldermen  
Abbott, MacKeen, and Allen ..... 4

MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman Meagher, that a \$15,000 grant be given to the Y.M.C.A. instead of \$20,000. Motion lost.

MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the \$20,000 grant to the Y.M.C.A. be reduced to \$10,000. Motion passed with Aldermen McGuire and Meagher against.

Childrens Aid Per Capital Tax

The Director of Finance advised that \$6100 should be added to the \$30,500 figure shown for Childrens Aid Per Capital Tax.



Committee of the Whole,  
March 30, 1971

HEADLINES

Grants (Page 124): Neptune Theatre ..... 233  
Centennial Arena ..... 233  
Other Grants ..... 233

Whole was held on the above date.

Present: Deputy Mayor Ivany, Chairman,  
Aldermen Abbott, Bennett, Allen, Hopkins, MacEachern,  
and His Worship the Mayor

H.G. IVANY  
DEPUTY MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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The meeting was called to discuss the 1971  
Current Budget and the 1971 Tax Rate.

Alderman Mackenzie, Chairman of the  
Association for a Greater Vancouver  
Canadian Association, requested that a  
\$1,000 be allocated.

Mayor, seconded by Alderman Mackenzie,  
Alderman Meagher's Motion be referred to the  
and Grants Committee for their consideration  
overall Policy. It was stated that the  
that it be understood that the grants  
will be paid this year, but that the  
priority to the grant being requested by the  
individual organizations.

The Motion was carried and the Mayor,  
Meagher and Mackenzie agreed.

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE - COMMUNITY CENTRES

The Social Services Committee reported  
to the Neighborhood Centre and the Provincial

Mr. Campbell reported that he had a  
written commitment from the Province in regard to the  
hood Centre as the Minister had not approved grants to  
polities as yet and was waiting for word from the Province  
directly with the Province in this matter. He said the Province  
indicated they were likely to set a ceiling below which they  
would not share in the total budget and said it would depend on  
where the City got certain grants or subsidies to get sharing. He  
said it was traditional that the Province does not let the City  
know the amount of sharing until after the City has set their  
tax rate, and that last year, the Province had shared in all  
the City's programs.

ADJOURNED COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE  
M I N U T E S

Council Chamber  
City Hall  
Halifax, N. S.  
March 31, 1971  
5:15 P.M.

An adjourned meeting of Committee of the Whole was held on the above date.

Present: Deputy Mayor Ivany, Chairman; Aldermen Abbott, Meagher, Allen, McGuire, MacKeen, LeBlanc, and His Worship the Mayor.

Also Present: City Manager, City Solicitor Director of Finance, Social Planner, City Clerk, and other Staff members.

The meeting was called to discuss the 1971 Current Budget and to set the 1971 Tax Rate.

GRANTS

It was MOVED by Alderman Meagher, seconded by Alderman MacKeen that the request of the Canadian Paraplegic Association for a Grant of \$1,500, and the request of the Canadian Association for Retarded Children for a Grant of \$1,000, be restored.

It was MOVED in Amendment by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the subject matter of Alderman Meagher's Motion be referred to the Tax Concessions and Grants Committee for consideration in obtaining a new overall Policy in regard to how grants should be handled and that it be understood that there is no commitment that any grants will be paid this year, but that the Grants Committee give priority to the broad Policy question before it considers individual Organizations.

The Motion as amended was passed with Aldermen Meagher and MacKeen against.

SOCIAL ASSISTANCE-SUNDRIES - Page 79

The Social Planner was questioned in regard to the Neighbourhood Centre Grant and the Provincial participation.

Mr. Crowell replied that he could not get a written committment from the Province in regard to Neighbourhood Centre as the Minister had not approved grants to Municipalities as yet and suggested that His Worship the Mayor deal directly with the Minister in this matter. He said the Province indicated they were likely to set a ceiling beyond which they would not share in the total budget and said it would depend on where the City put certain grants or agencies to get sharing. He said it was traditional that the Province does not let the City know the amount of sharing until after the City has set their tax rate, and that last year, the Province had shared in all the City's programs.

It was MOVED by Alderman MacKeen, seconded by Alderman LeBlanc that the Neighbourhood Centre budget be approved at \$51,000 conditional with respect to the Expenditure and Revenue side that none of the money over \$40,000 will be paid to the Centre unless the Federal and Provincial Governments share a full 75% for the entire amount over and above other Federal and Provincial Social Welfare Grants and shareable Welfare programs.

Motion passed.

FORECAST REVENUE 1971 - Page 125

As a result of the increase in the number of new cases being handled by the new Court, it was MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Meagher that the figure of \$425,000 for FINES & FEES be increased to \$450,000.

Motion passed

It was pointed out that various Institutions were not required to pay a Deed Transfer Tax. The Committee agreed that Staff look at the matter of Deed Transfer Tax and that it be on the agenda of the Next Committee of the Whole meeting on April 7, 1971.

The City Manager reported that the City of Dartmouth had requested that the amount of \$4,500 for the Ferry Commission be waived. He said that Staff were reviewing the matter and that a recommendation would be coming to Council on the subject.

The Committee agreed that the amount of \$4,500 for the Ferry Commission be approved.

FORECAST REVENUE 1971 - Page 126

Moved by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that page No. 126 be approved as submitted.

Motion passed.

FORECAST REVENUE 1971 - Page 127

His Worship the Mayor advised that \$8,250 should be added to the Social Assistance Revenue as a result of the \$51,000 grant to the Neighbourhood Centre.

Moved by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Meagher that page 127 be approved as amended.

Motion passed.



FORECAST REVENUE 1971 - Page 128

The Director of Finance advised that the following changes were to be made on Page 128:

1. Province - Transitional should be changed  
from \$1,059,000 to ..... \$1,559,000
2. Province - Municipal Services Grant  
should be changed from \$514,140 to ..... \$ 520,950
3. Province - Street Grant  
should be changed from \$43,190 to ..... \$ 49,000
4. The Total for Contributions and Grants  
should be changed from \$3,602,790 to ..... \$4,115,410

His Worship the Mayor asked if any further cuts had been made to the Education Revenue apart from the \$383,000, to which the Director of Finance replied that an additional \$30,000 had been deducted.

His Worship said this amount should be put back as he felt it was reasonable that the School Board could work the \$30,000 into the category that has been disallowed because of the 8% ceiling set by the Province.

The Committee then agreed that \$30,000 be added to the Education Revenue making the total figure \$4,118,440.

The City Manager advised that the anticipated \$10,000 in revenue from the Recreation Commission would have to be taken from the \$30,000 as a result of the reduction in the Recreation Commission program.

The Committee then agreed that \$20,000 be added to the Education Revenue making the total figure \$4,108,440.

As the Committee increased the Port Commission Budget by \$10,000 on March 30, 1971, it was MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that \$1,250 be added to the amount of Dartmouth's contribution to the Port Commission changing the amount from \$12,830 to \$14,080. Motion passed.

The Committee was advised that the total figure for 'Total Revenue Excluding Taxation' now reads \$15,845,020.

It was MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman Abbott that Page No. 128 be approved as amended.

Motion passed.

WINTER CONTROL

A Staff report dated March 31, 1971, was submitted a part of which dealt with "winter control". The report stated that of the \$625,000 allotted for the entire year, the actual costs to date this year are \$575,000 exclusive of equipment repairs.

Adjourned Committee of the Whole  
March 31, 1971.

The report also stated that if any provision is to be made for snow removal or ice control in November and December of this year, the budgetary appropriation must be increased substantially. The report recommended that the increase be \$100,000.

It was MOVED by His Worship the Mayor, seconded by Alderman McGuire that \$75,000 be added to the Snow Clearance Budget.

The Motion was put and lost with three voting for the same, and four voting against it as follows:

FOR: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen McGuire and Meagher. 3

AGAINST: Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, LeBlanc, and Allen. 4

It was MOVED by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman McGuire that \$54,500 be added to the Snow Clearance Budget.

The Motion was put and passed with four voting for the same, and three voting against it as follows:

FOR: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen MacKeen McGuire, and Allen. 4

AGAINST: Aldermen Abbott, LeBlanc, and Meagher. 3

It was MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Meagher that Committee of the Whole adjourn for fifteen minutes, and at that time, the meeting reconvene as City Council.

Motion passed.

6:35 P.M. Meeting adjourned.

7:05 P.M. Meeting reconvened as City Council with same members being present.

DREE PROJECT NO. 28 -  
DUC D'ANVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXTENSION

A staff report dated March 29, 1971, was submitted relating to the above noted subject.

The report stated that City Council at its meeting of March 25, 1971 deferred action on the staff report dated March 24, 1971 on the award of tender on the Duc D'Anville Elementary School Extension. The report said that Council should not take any action until further advice is received from the Board of School Commissioners.

The Members agreed that no action be taken at this time and that it be on the next Committee of the Whole agenda on April 7, 1971.

ESTIMATES CIVIC YEAR 1971

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Allen that as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the estimates for the Civic Year 1971 be fixed at \$46,612,890.00.

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION - SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES 1971

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Allen that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the gross expenditures for the Board of School Commissioners for the Civic Year 1971 be set at \$19,541,690.00 calculated as follows:

Original request	\$17,774,100.00
Deletion	<u>350,000.00</u>
	\$17,424,100.00
To which the City adds	<u>2,117,590.00</u>
	<u>\$19,541,690.00</u>

Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor pointed out that this is the gross education budget and suggested that the proportion of that amount which the School Board has the right to spend be carefully laid out in the letter from the City to the School Board and that copies of the letter be circulated to the Members of Council.

The members agreed that His Worship's suggestion be carried out.

TAX RATE 1971

Deputy Mayor Ivany pointed out that the City is waiting a reply on the \$383,000 from the Provincial Government and expressed the desire that whatever consideration is given, that it be worked into the 1971 tax rate.

His Worship the Mayor asked if the Council wished to fix the tax rates at this meeting to which was unanimous agreement.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the Ratio be 45% between Residential and Business which is the minimum permitted under the City Charter.

Motion passed.

MOVED by Alderman McGuire, seconded by Alderman Allen that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the tax rate for the year 1971 be set at \$5.16 per hundred dollars of assessment and that this rate be applied to the full assessed value of property of a business character and nature and 50% of the total assessed valuation for business occupancy tax purposes and 45% of the assessed value of real property of a residential character or nature. The latter calculation contained in the motion having an effect of \$2.3220 per hundred dollars for residential tax assessment.

Motion passed.

FIRE PROTECTION RATE 1971

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Meagher that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the Fire Protection Rate be set at seven cents (\$0.07) per hundred dollars (\$100.00) of valuation for the year 1971.

Motion passed.

INTEREST ON TAXES 1971

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Allen that, as recommended by the Committee of the Whole Council, the interest rate to be charged on all overdue taxes shall be nine percent (09%) per annum in accordance with Section 5 of Ordinance Number 145. Motion passed.

NOTICE OF MOTION - ALDERMAN ALLEN

Alderman Allen gave notice that, at the next regular meeting of City Council, to be held on Thursday, April 15, 1971, he will introduce a motion respecting Ordinance #110 which will have an affect on the removal of exemptions from the Ordinance.

7:20 P.M. - Meeting adjourned

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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

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SPECIAL COUNCIL  
MINUTES

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.  
April 7, 1971  
8:00 P.M.

A Special Meeting of City Council was held on the above date.

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

Present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Abbott, MacKeen, McGuire, Meagher, and Allen.

Also present; City Manager, Acting City Solicitor, City Clerk.

The City Clerk advised that the meeting had been called to consider:

- 1 - Public Hearing into Amendment to City of Halifax Zoning By-law and to Zoning By-law of the Annexed Area.
- 2 - Communication from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities; this item being referred to the meeting from the Finance and Executive Committee which had met earlier in the day.

PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT TO CITY OF HALIFAX ZONING BY-LAW AND TO ZONING BY-LAW FOR THE ANNEXED AREA

A Public Hearing was held at this time into the subject matter which involved amendments to the By-law for the City and the one for the County, to empower the Development Officer to administer the Zoning By-law, in accordance with Chapter 16 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, 1969.

His Worship asked if there was anyone present who wished to speak either in opposition to, or in favour of, the proposed amendment, but there was no response. He then declared the matter to be before the Council for decision.

MOVED by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman McGuire that:

- (1) The City of Halifax Zoning By-law, approved the 11th day of May, 1950, as amended, be further amended, by adding to Part II - General Provisions - before Section 1 a new Section, entitled 1A, as follows:

"1A (1) The City Council of the City of Halifax shall appoint a Development Officer.

(2) The Development Officer shall serve at the pleasure of the City Council, or according to the terms of the resolution by which he was appointed.

(3) The Development Officer shall administer this By-law."