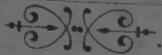


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**MINUTES AND REPORTS**  
*OF THE*  
**COUNCIL**  
*OF THE*  
**MUNICIPALITY**  
*OF THE*  
**COUNTY OF HALIFAX.**



ANNUAL MEETING, JANUARY 1907.



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# MUNICIPALITY OF HALIFAX COUNTY.

THE THIRD ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE

## FIFTEENTH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

FIRST DAY.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9th, 1907.

In accordance with the Statute and regular notices, the Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County, met at the Court House, Halifax, at noon, Wednesday, Jan. 9th, 1907. Present, Charles E. Smith, Esq., Warden, in the chair and the following Councillors :

- District 7—Herring Cove—James Reyno.
- “ 8—Portuguese Cove—John J. Johnson.
- “ 9—Sambro—Charles E. Smith.
- “ 10—Upper Prospect—James H. Power.
- “ 11—Hackett's Cove—Elijah J. Covey.
- “ 12—French Village—Isaac Croucher.
- “ 13—Spryfield—William Bishop.
- “ 14—N. W. Arm—Henry Piers.
- “ 15—Bedford—Frank A. Ronnan.
- “ 16—Hammond's Plains—Lindsay Moren.
- “ 17—Sackville—John S. Fleming.
- “ 18—Waverley—Alonzo Tulloch.
- “ 19—Gays River—Robinson Woodworth.
- “ 20—Meagher's Grant—O. A. Milne.
- “ 21—Middle Musquodoboit—John H. Taylor, J. P.
- “ 21a—Carribou Mines—F. D. Darragh
- “ 22—Upper Musquodoboit—P. M. G. Archibald.
- “ 23—Lower Prospect—Robt. A. Slaunghenwhite.

- " 24—Moser's River—John Romkey.  
 " 25—Sheet Harbor—Henry Hall.  
 " 26—Tangier—D. T. Leslie.  
 " 27—Jeddore—Wm. Homans.  
 " 28—Chezzetcook—Daniel Lapierre.  
 " 29—Lawrencetown—William D. Conrod.  
 " 30—Preston—John Thomas.  
 " 31—Cole Harbor—S. W. L. (absent through illness)  
 " 32—Hubbard's Cove—Chas. C. McLean.  
 " 33—Eastern Passage—William F. Negus.  
 " 34—Salmon River—John Balcom.  
 " 35—Little River—A. H. Gladwin  
 " 36—East Chezzetcook—Andrew Crawford  
 " 37—Musquodoboit Harbor—Spencer Sutherland  
 " 38—Dover—Geo. H. Longard

The minutes of the last session were read and approved.

The Clerk reported that Councillor S. W. Lydiard had met with a serious accident which would prevent him from attending this session of the Council.

The Warden then read the following address :

*To the Members of the County Council :*

We have met at this the last annual meeting of the present Council to deliberate in regard to matters affecting the Municipality, and to take such action as may be deemed advisable to safeguard the interests of the people we represent.

I desire to extend to one and all, and wish you the compliments of the season.

Since the last semi-annual meeting there has been nothing of great importance to the Municipality requiring my attention, but I have had to deal with an unusual number of things, which while not of a serious character, yet demanded action in the interest of the Municipality.

It is with pleasure that I am able to state that from the report which will be presented to you by the Treasurer, the collection of taxes and rates has been very satisfactory, and the financial condition of affairs is most gratifying.

When we consider that in a large number of districts the inhabitants are dependent wholly, or in part, upon the fisheries, which during the past season have been largely a failure, the news that our financial standing is satisfactory, will be pleasing to all.

The reports from the other officers will show success in all departments during the year.

Permit me to say that I have been brought into frequent contact with the officials in the course of my duties, and have had exceptional opportunities of ob-

-serving the work done, and I wish to place on record my opinion that the officials have performed their respective duties with the utmost regard for economy, and I have no hesitation in saying that they are ever ready to do anything which makes for the betterment of the municipality.

I trust that the matters to be brought before you may receive your prompt attention and be dealt with as expeditiously as possible, consistent with a due regard to their importance. Heretofore, perhaps, too much latitude has been allowed in the conduct of the business of the Council, and more time occupied than was necessary. This has been in a measure due to there having been no "Order of Business" prepared for each session.

I have prepared a list of matters to be considered at each session and trust that the Councillors may adhere to the same as closely as possible. To that end I wish to direct your attention to the fact that heretofore petitions have been received even up to the closing session. The same is true of some of the reports of committees. The consequence is that very little business is done during the first few sessions of the Council, and there has invariably been a congestion of business at the closing session, and there is not then sufficient time to consider the reports as carefully as the importance of the subjects to which they relate, demand. I would therefore urge that all matters be presented to the Council as soon as convenient, and that the committees meet and present their reports without delay, even if they are compelled to submit supplementary reports at a later session.

I also wish to state that the rule regarding the attendance of members is to be enforced, and that any Councillor not present at roll call at the morning session will lose his pay for that day.

I cannot conclude without calling your attention to the death of George Conrod, of Pope's Harbor, which occurred last month. For twenty years and upwards he was Collector of County Rates. He was a man of sterling character; one who did his duty with impartiality, and promptly, and was beloved by all with whom he came in contact. The Municipality suffers a great loss by his death. Men like him we cannot willingly spare. On behalf of the Municipality I extend our earnest sympathy to his widow and family in their sore bereavement.

In conclusion, let me say that I confidently look to the Councillors to bring all matters requiring attention before the Council as soon as the same may be done, and endeavor to have same disposed of in such a way as will be most beneficial to the Municipality.

CHARLES E. SMITH,

Warden.

The tender of the Dartmouth Patriot for printing the proceedings of the Council was accepted.

Councillors Negus and Bishop moved that the minutes be printed in pamphlet form. Carried.

The Warden named the following nominating committee. Councillors Darragh, Johnston, Covey, Milne, Tulloch and Balcom.

The Council adjourned until 2.30.

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

JANUARY 9th.

The Council met at 2.45. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

William M. Sedgewick, Inspector of Licenses, presented the following applications for Licenses in 1907 :

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors for Municipality of Halifax :*

I beg leave to report that the following have applied for license for the sale of intoxicating liquors within the Municipality of Halifax for the year beginning March 16th, 1907.

A. M. Scott—Bellvue Hotel, Bedford.  
 Wm. Topple—Pine Grove House, Spryfield.  
 John G. Gooley—Pleasant View, St. Margarets Bay Road.  
 Thomas McCartney—Lake View House, St. Margarets Bay Road.  
 Angus Bowser—Riverside Hotel, St. Margarets Bay Road.  
 H. L. Silver—Prince of Wales Hotel, Head St. Margarets Bay.  
 Shop License—Wm. A. Umlah, Hatchett Lake, Prospect Road.  
 Emma A. Little—Terrance Bay.

All of the above applicants have the required number of signatures to their respective petitions for license. All the above named were licensed last year with the exception of the applicant for the Lake View House.

The license for the Prince of Wales Hotel at Head St. Margarets Bay was last year granted to Abel Boutillier, and is this year applied for by H. L. Silver.

Wm. A. Umlah applies for license of place granted last year to John Simmons now deceased.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Wm. M. SEDGEWICK,

Inspector.

Halifax, Jan. 9th, 1907.

On motion the application of A. M. Scott was granted.

A motion to grant a license to W. H. Topple, was carried by a vote of 20 to 8.

A motion to grant a license to John L. Gooley by a vote of 21 to 7.

Licenses were also granted to the other applicants on separate motions which passed without division.

Inspector Sedgewick also presented the following report and financial statement, which was on motion unanimously adopted :

*To His Honor the Warden and Municipal Councillors :*

The License Inspector in submitting his financial statement and report of convictions for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1906, begs leave to say :

All the licenses granted by the Council last year were taken out by the applicants and the license fees paid by them. One of the licensees, John Simmons, died some months after taking out his license, and in consequence his estate was entitled to a refund of a proportionate part of the fee for the balance of the license year. The Inspector paid to his estate the sum of \$52.50. 55 of the prosecutions resulted in conviction of the parties charged, and in 15 cases the charges were dismissed. Total number of prosecutions 70. The Inspector has endeavored to use his best judgment in instituting prosecutions. Every information which was considered bona fide was acted upon, and the Inspector submits that the results have been satisfactory.

In explanation of the fines not collected, it may be mentioned that in some cases the offenders have been committed to jail in default of payment, and warrants been issued against others. Enforcement of payment has been delayed in some cases on account of illness or old age of the persons convicted, but there is every reason to hope that a considerable amount of the unpaid fines will be collected. While the number of pro-ecutions is larger than any previous year, yet it must be remembered that in many of the cases the persons charged had not previously been complained against, nor have they since conviction been engaged in selling liquor.

The Inspector believing that it is in the interest of peace and good order of the Municipality that no liquor be sold, has sought to bring these persons to justice and thus teach them that it will not pay them to infringe the Act.

From the experience he has obtained, from observation, and careful consideration of the facts, the Inspector is of the opinion that, notwithstanding the number of cases he has had to deal with is larger than formerly, yet the amount of liquor sold illegally is not greater than the previous year.

All of which respectfully submitted.

WM. M. SEDGEWICK,

Halifax, Jan. 8th, 1907.

Chief Inspector for the Municipality of Halifax.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF LICENSE INSPECTOR FOR 1906.

#### RECEIPTS.

March 15.	A. M. Scott .....	\$ 140 00	
	Angus Bower .....	140 00	
	William Topple .....	140 00	
	Abel Boutillier .....	140 00	
	J L. Gooley .....	140 00	
	Emma A Little .....	90 00	
	John Simmons .....	90 00	
			-----\$ 880 00
Dec. 15.	Deposits by applications for licence :		
	A. M. Scott .....	\$ 10 00	
	Angus Bowser .....	10 00	
	Wm. Topple .....	10 00	
	J. L. Gooley .....	10 00	
	Thomas McCartney .....	10 00	
	H. L. Silver .....	10 00	
	Wm. A. Umlah .....	10 00	
	Emma A. Little .....	10 00	
			-----\$ 80 00
	Fines collected and paid County Treasurer .....		1162 30
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	Total Receipts .....		\$2122 30

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EXPENDITURE.

Dec.	31.	Salary .....	\$ 400 00
		Allowance to Inspector for 1905 .....	100 00
		Personal Expenses .....	333 67
		Uncollected costs for searches, &c. paid constable .....	22 16
		Costs paid in cases dismissed and on conviction not paid.	245 19
		Printing and Advertising .....	16 24
		Counsel fees .....	20 00
		Rebate on Simmons license .....	52 50
			\$1189 76
Balance in favor of County .....			\$ 932 54

Wm. M. SEDGEWICK,

*License Inspector.*

I certify that amount of \$245 19 in cases dismissed and fines not paid for uncollected costs is correct.

JOHN McDOUGALL,

*Stipendiary Magistrate.*

I have examined the above statement with the vouchers &c. and find the balance of \$932.54 correct.

W. H. STUDD, *Auditor.*

The following resolution was moved by Councillors Taylor and Woodworth and carried :

In view of the successful prosecution of his work by the License Inspector that he receive the same salary, \$400.00, and the same bonus \$100.00 as last year.

Moved by Councillors Conrod and Bishop, That this Council meet at 10 o'clock in the morning and at 2.30 in the afternoon. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Homans, That 800 additional copies of the pamphlets containing the proceedings of the Council be ordered. Carried.

The Council then adjourned.

THURSDAY MORNING.

January 10th, 1907.

The Council met at 10 o'clock. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Clerk read the following report of the Public Property Committee :

REPORT OF PUBLIC PROPERTY COMMITTEE FOR 1906.

*To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :*

GENTLEMEN :—Your committee on public property beg to submit this their annual report for the year just passed, and in doing so we regret to say that the number of inmates has largely increased during the year, there being 83 in all, as against 66 at the 31st December, 1905, of which 35 are in the insane wards of the institution from which no revenue is received.

Your committee are pleased to report that the expenditure has not increased with the the number of inmates, a large saving was effected by purchasing flour at the cheapest possible cash rates, which was not included in the grocers' tender last year.

The inmates, with few exceptions, are happy and content, and are well cared for; all the necessary repairs to the buildings have been attended to during the year, including new floor in kitchen, shingling root house, repairs to plastering, etc., etc.

Your committee would recommend that a flat roof be built on the laundry building to form a drying room, as in dull and wet weather it is almost impossible to get the inmates' clothing dried and causes much extra work for the women help. This alteration would cost about \$150.

Your committee would also recommend that a dam be placed across the brook in front of the buildings as a large quantity of water could be stored there which is very much needed in case of fire and for washing purposes, as the wells go almost dry in the summer season. This would cost about \$75.

#### INCOME ACCOUNT FOR 1906.

Municipal allowance .....	\$3200 00
District paupers 1431 weeks, 3 days at 75c per week .....	1073 57
" pauper children, 210 weeks, 3 days, at 50c per week .....	105 21
Dartmouth pauper boarders, 443 weeks 1 day, at \$1.50 p-r week ..	664 71
" pauper children, 36 weeks, 4 days, at 75c per week .....	27 42
" insane, 52 weeks, at \$2.00 per week .....	104 00
Private boarder, 49 weeks, 2 days, \$1.50 per week .....	73 87
Produce and empty barrels .....	50 72
	<hr/> \$5299 50

The total expenditure for the year just closed was \$5164.45 as against \$5384.18 for the previous year.

#### MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Groceries and provisions .....	\$ 963 30
Flour .....	539 35
Meat .....	630 38
Butter .....	144 58
Dry goods and clothing .....	285 24
Boots and shoes .....	66 70
Boots and shoes repaired .....	43 50
Fresh Fish .....	6 90
Straw and feed .....	48 30
Coal .....	61 95
Making clothing .....	37 50
Blacksmith .....	34 66
Manure and ferriage .....	57 10
Sundries .....	14 66
Employees' pay .....	978 21
Doctor .....	100 00
Chairman and Vice .....	75 00
Superintendent's salary .....	400 00
Religious services .....	18 00
Printing .....	17 13
	<hr/> \$4592 46

## PERMANENT ACCOUNT.

Hardware .....	\$ 77 64
Lumber and shingles.....	25 80
Woolen blankets.....	95 76
Cream separator.....	60 77
Rubber blankets.....	15 00
Purchase of horse.....	150 00
Rubber hose.....	23 25
Stove.....	15 35
Hay fork and harness repairs.....	23 95
Repairing plaster.....	26 47
Carpenter.....	30 80
Chairs for use of inmates.....	19 20
Plans for new addition (1904).....	8 00
	\$ 571 99
Balance on hand to credit of Institution..	\$ 135 05

The stone crusher has been used during the past summer in District 14 on the Herring Cove and other roads near Toppie's Hotel, and good work was done. Much credit is due to Judge Henry for the large amount of money supplied by him for the making or tie above roads.

Your committee have visited the County jail from time to time during the year and have had all the necessary repairs attended to. Much credit is due to the jailor for the perfect order and the cleanliness of the building.

Respectfully submitted.

W. BISHOP, Chairman  
LINDSAV MOREN, Vice  
JOHN J. JOHNSON  
F. A. Ronnan  
J. V. Reyno  
A. R. Tulloch  
W. D. Conrad.

For further particulars see the Superintendent's report.

The report of the Superintendent of the Poor Farm was as follows :

*To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :*

Gentlemen, - In presenting my report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1906, I would say there are at the Poor Farm 83 inmates, of which 23 are sane men, 24 sane women, 21 insane men, 14 insane women, 1 private boarder. Admitted during the year 24. Discharged during the year 7. Died 2. There are 6 employees, 1 male attendant, 1 female attendant, 2 domestics, 1 night watch, 1 farmer.

The crops have been good except potatoes which were 215 bushels. I may say that we sold about 100 bushels of early potatoes and a few bushels of turnips and we realized enough money to purchase 216 bushels of P. E. I. potatoes. The following show the number of bushels of different kinds of vegetables raised. Turnips 500 bushels, mangels 292 bushels, parsnips 21 bushels, carrots 50 bushels, beets 27 bushels, cabbage 30 dozen, green sauer kraut 10 barrels, oats 47 bushels. hay about the average crop. Improvements - 1 acre of land broken ready for crop in the spring.

Provisions on hand - Molasses 25 gallons, barley 100 pounds, rice 150 pounds, herring 1 barrel

Dry Good about the usual amount.

Farming用具 the same as last year.

Live stock - 8 mairch cows, 1 heifer, 3 horses, 4 pigs. Killed on the farm 644 pounds pork.

I would suggest that telephone communication be established between Dartmouth and the farm, the distance to the farm is 6 miles. There are at present 2 miles of the 6 lined, leaving 4 miles to pole and wire. We would pole 1 mile ourselves, leaving only 3 miles to pole and wire. I think that it could be completed with a little effort and not a great expence.

Signed,

J. M. HENNEBERRY,

*Superintendent.*

Moved by Councillors Conrod and Gladwin, That the Superintendent's report be accepted, but the recommendation of a telephone system be erased from his report. Further consideration was deferred until the afternoon.

Councillor Bishop brought up the question of purchasing an additional piece of land at the Poor Farm, and thought it would be a good thing if the land could be got at a reasonable figure as the supply of fuel was running out and wood could be cut on this property.

Councillor Negus was strongly opposed to the purchase. He was informed there was no wood worth speaking of on the land.

Councillor Archibald also spoke against it.

Councillor Conrod agreed with Councillor Bishop, that a committee should be appointed to examine the land.

Councillor Bishop moved seconded by Councillor Conrod, that a committee of three be appointed to examine the Ware property and report to the Council as to the probable supply of wood and also the value of the property.

Moved in amendment by Councillors Negus and Archibald, that the matter in reference to buying the Ware property, so-called, for the purpose of the Poor Farm be ordered to lie on the table.

The amendment carried by a vote of 13 to 7.

The Stipendiary's report was then read as follows :

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax :*

For the year ending Dec. 31st, 1906, the Stipendiary Magistrate begs leave to submit the following report:

Fees collected during the year .....	\$ 227 05
No. of trials and convictions under Liquor Act .....	58
"    "    "    "    Criminal Code, Prov. ....	
Statutes and By-laws .....	30
Total amount of fines imposed under the Liquor Act, Criminal Code, Prov Statutes and By-laws .....	1915 00
Amount of fines collected in cases under Liquor Act .....	1190 00
"    "    "    "    under Criminal Code, Prov. ....	
Statutes and By-laws .....	100 00
Amount of fines collected from convictions in 1905 .....	50 00
Total amount of fines and fees collected .....	1567 05

In the above statement no mention is made of the Liquor and Criminal cases in which no convictions were obtained, nor of cases where the offenders were committed to Jail without the option of a fine, or were sent to the Supreme Court for trial. Herewith is submitted a statement in detail giving the names of persons who were convicted, the offences with which they were charged, and the amount of fine imposed in each case.

During the year no report was received of any serious crime having been committed within the municipality, and the Stipendiary is pleased at being able to say that there was no more than the usual number of minor offences. It is hoped that the County will be as free from crime during 1907.

A large number of warrants were issued against defaulters for county road and school rates, with satisfactory results.

The Stipendiary wishes to express his thanks to His Honor the Warden and Councillors and also the other County officials for many kindnesses received and assistance rendered, and trusts that by discharging his duties to the best of his ability he may continue to enjoy their favor and esteem.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN McDOUGALL,  
*Stipendiary Magistrate.*

The report was received and adopted on motion of Councillors Negus and Gladwin.

The Jailor's report was read and adopted on motion of Councillors Gladwin and Bishop:

The clerk read a communication from the clerk of the City of Halifax in reference to the landing of His Majesty's mails at Halifax.

On motion the Council adjourned.

### THURSDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The resolution moved at the morning session adopting the report of the Supt. of the Poor Farm, was put and carried.

The report of the Nominating Committee was then presented as follows:

#### REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE.

*To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax:*

Gentlemen,—We hereby beg leave to submit the following as standing committees for the year 1907, viz:

Hospital for Insane—Councillors Archibald, Woodworth, Power, Darragh, Tulloch, Homans, Crawford.

Assessment—Councillors Bishop, McLean, Gladwin, Sutherland, Lapierre, Leslie, Romkey.

Roads and Bridges—Councillors McLean, Darragh, Covey, Johnson, Balcom, Tulloch, Thomas.

Public Property—Councillors Lydiard, Bishop, Negus, Conrod, Flemming, Ronan (ch), Johnson.

Finance—Councillors Ronnan, Milne, Taylor (ch), Longard, Archibald, Moren, Hall.

Jury Lists—Councillors Negus, Croucher.

Law Amendments—Councillors Taylor, Piers, Leslie, Lapierre, Slaughenwhite: Hall, Woonworth.

Poor—Councillors Conrod, Balcom, Thomas, Reyno, Gladwin, Sutherland, Crawford.

Committee on Arbitration—The Warden, Lydiard, Flemming, Croucher.

License—Power, Homans, Covey, Milne, Piers, Longard, Moren.

Signed,

F. D. DARRAGH  
JOHN J. JOHNSON  
E. J. COVEY  
C. A. MILNE  
A. R. TULLOCH  
JOHN BALCOM.

The report was adopted with certain amendments.

On motion of Councillors Sutherland and Gladwin, Thomas Faulkner was appointed revisor for District No 37 in place of W. J. Kennedy resigned.

Councillor Darragh as chairman of the nominating committee wished to enter a formal protest to the action of the Council in changing the committees which had been chosen. Councillors Bishop, Negus and Flemming took part in the discussion and did not think that any reflection was intended to be cast on the nominating committee.

The Inspector of Pedlars Licenses reported as follows:

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County.*

GENTLEMEN:—I beg leave to hand you my annual report. During the past year I have had to proceed against several who were peddling without license, all of whom were fined and afterwards took out the necessary license.

The number of pedlars licenses issued, fees received from same and also fines collected will appear in the Clerk of License report.

The change in the license law adopted by the council last January to have all expire on the 31st of December has worked to good advantage. I have received great support from the Clerk of License and His Honor the Stipendiary who have in every way assisted me in carrying out the law.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY WRIGHT,

*Inspector.*

A motion to adopt the report carried.

The report of Joseph Spencer, Coroner's Constable was then submitted:

50 Argyle St., Halifax, N. S., Jan. 9th, 1907.

*Municipality of Halifax:*

GENTLEMEN,—I herewith make application for the position of Coroner's Constable for this year (1907).

I trust that my duties in that office in the past have met with your approval and that you may see fit to re-elect me.

Very respectfully, J. SPENCER.

REPORT OF CORONER'S CONSTABLE FOR THE YEAR ENDING, Dec. 31, 1906

*Municipality of Halifax:*

GENTLEMEN, - There has been sixty-four (64) sudden deaths in the city and Dartmouth during the year, as follows:

January 6	May 2	September 8
February 6	June 3	October 4
March 4	July 7	November 2
April 4	August 7	December 11

There was also one at Fairview, one at Dutch Village, one at Jollimore Settlement and one at Ingramport.

Of the above 64 I personally attended thirty-three (33) certificates in said cases were granted by the Medical Examiner and Justices of the Peace for the districts in which the deaths occurred.

Very respectfully, J. SPENCER,

*Coroner Constable and Undertaker, etc.*

On motion the report was adopted.

Applications for Coroner's Constable were received from Joseph Spencer and B. C. Cruickshank. On a ballot being taken Mr. Spencer was declared elected by a vote of 16 to 14.

The appointment of a Superintendent of the County Poor Farm was laid on the table until Saturday

W. M. Sedgewick was re-appointed Inspector of Liquor Licenses for 1907.

Councillor Darragh brought up the question of maps, and suggested that an effort should be made to have the Crown Land map and the Dominion Geological map drawn to the same scale.

Councillor Taylor also spoke and Councillor Darragh looked forward to the day when the County would be able to have a map of its own.

Councillor Longard was opposed to a map. He considered it a waste of money, as the districts were changing from time to time.

Harry Wright was re-appointed Inspector of Pedler's Licenses.

Councillor Longard asked the Council for his road grant which he had not yet received. He had nominated Martin Fader as Supervisor, and the Council had sanctioned him, he wanted to know why this was? The Warden explained that the supervisor should have been appointed in January, and was not appointed until April, and the Clerk think the former Supervisor, Mr. Scott, was still acting, sent the papers to him.

Councillor Longard stated that he appointed a collector at the April Session but the resolution could not be found, and moreover they had appointed a brand new man instead of leaving the old collector.

Councillor Longard strongly resented the passing over one of his Supervisors and allowing another man to get the money. The Warden explained that he had no other alternative to sign the order. Councillor Longard said he did not blame the Warden. Councillors Darragh, Croucher and Bishop also spoke.

The Council then adjourned.

## FRIDAY MORNING.

January 11th.

The Council met at 10.30. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The following resolution was then submitted and unanimously adopted. Moved by Coun. Negus, seconded by Coun. Conrod :

*Whereas*,—This Council having considered the matter of the building of another great Transcontinental Railway line ;

*And Whereas*,—The Government of Canada has entered into a contract with the Grand Trunk Pacific Company for the building of the said Railway ;

*And Whereas*,—In and by said contract the eastern portion of said line is to be built between Quebec and Moncton, and as it is of the utmost importance to the people of the Province of Nova Scotia that the eastern portion of said line should be build and ready to be operated on the completion of the portion of said railway to the west of Quebec,

*Therefore Resolved*, - That this council do hereby request the Dominion Government to at once take steps to ensure the construction of that portion of said line of railway between Quebec and Moncton without unnecessary delay.

*Further Resolved*,—That as to the carriage of the English mails and passengers by the Canadian Pacific Railway steamships, the Dominion Government be requested to insist that the Allan Steamship Co. (with whom the contract was made) to carry out the terms and conditions of said contract, and that all steamships carrying said mails be required to dock at Halifax and also that passengers be permitted to embark and disembark at the said port of Halifax.

*Further Resolved.*—That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the Postmaster General and Minister of Railways of Canada, and also to the members representing this county in the Dominion Parliament.

A petition from ratepayers of District 31 asking for a new road from Judson Settle's on the Cote Harbor Road to the Preston Road, was read.

Councillor Negus and Conrod moved that the prayer of the petition for a new road in District 31 be granted. Carried.

A petition for a new road in Districts 19 and 20 was read. Councillors Milne and Woodworth moved that

*Whereas*, A petition has been received by this council from a number of the ratepayers in District 19 and 20, asking for the completion of a piece of road leading from Miss Poole's in District 20 to Elmsdale Station,

*Whereas*, The councillors from District 19 and 20 have no definite idea of the location and cost of the same,

*Therefore Resolved*, That the granting of the prayer of this petition be deferred to the April session of this council; and that a committee of four be appointed to enquire as to the advisability and the cost of constructing the same.

The committee to report to the council at the April session.

JAMES KERR,  
WILSON MADILL,  
ISAAC ISENOR,  
SIDNEY DICRIE.

A petition from 48 residents of Little Harbor and vicinity asking for a new road from Little Harbor to the main highway, either to Owl's Head or Cham Harbor, was read, and on motion of Councillors Humans and Reyno the petition was granted and James M Webber, Levy Russell and Alex McKay be appointed to lay out the road.

A petition was read from residents of South West Cove, District 27, asking for a road from South West Cove to the main post road, and naming Joseph Parker, James Stevens and John May to lay out the road. On motion the petition was granted.

A petition was also read from a number of residents of District 12, asking for a new road in that district. Granted on motion of Councillors Croucher and Piers, Alvin Hubley, Edward Redman and William Westhaver were appointed to lay out the road.

A draft of an agreement between the Municipality and the Town of Dartmouth in reference to the old Preston Road was submitted. Councillor Durragh and Archibald moved that the matter be left to the discretion of the Warden. Carried.

A letter from E. B. Hubley 14 Mile House was read referring to a petition sent last year asking for a new road. The council adjourned.

## FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

A petition from residents of Indian Harbor asking for a change in the road known as Middle Point road, was read.

Moved by Councillors Covey and Power, that the prayer of the petition be granted and the following persons be appointed a commission to lay out the road: Elias Johnston, Amos Garrison and Charles Garrison. Carried.

Dr. T. Trenaman, Jail Physician, presented the following report:

HALIFAX, N. S., January 7th, 1907.

To His Honor the Warden and the Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

Gentlemen,—I beg to submit my report on the medical aspect of the County Jail for the year ending December 31st, 1906.

The year's work is interesting and peculiar, in that it embraces the largest number of commitments in the Jail's history—a total of 355—made up of 299 criminals and 56 debtors, and also includes the greatest number of insane persons it has been my duty to report upon, in any one year, viz, thirteen. This, too, does not include those crazy from drink, suffering from delirium tremens. All of these necessitated great watchfulness and much anxiety and care till they were safely disposed of, as their several conditions demanded.

Of the insane five were sent to the Nova Scotia Hospital for the Insane, two to the Insane ward of the City Poor's Asylum, three were deported, two to Europe and one to Newfoundland, by the Provincial government, and three were handed over to the care of their friends, much improved mentally.

The cases of drunkenness were numerous, but ten of them were of the type of severe alcoholism and required closed attention. All, however, recovered safely and were discharged in sound mind and body.

The usual proportionate number of general cases requiring treatment were constantly in evidence and included venereal diseases, rheumatism in its different forms, nervous disorders, sore throat, pains of all kinds and a variety of all the minor ills.

I am happy to be able to report that no death occurred during the year.

Certificates of good health and freedom from contagious and cutaneous diseases must accompany all prisoners sent to Dorchester Penitentiary.

Dr. Geo. L. Sinclair, Government Inspector of Penal Institutions, visited the jail, officially, twice during the year, in February and in September. He reports very approvingly of the condition, in which he found the jail and the prisoners and makes the strong recommendation, in which I heartily concur, that the building be heated by hot water and lighted by electricity.

I have always found the food wholesome and well-cooked, the corridors and cells clean and well lime washed and all the surroundings neat and in good order.

My thanks are due to the Jailor, Mr. Malcom, to the matron and the turnkey for seconding all my efforts, very effectively, in promoting the well being of the prisoners and intelligently assisting me in the treatment and nursing of the sick.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THOS. TRENAMAN, M. D.,

*Jail Physician.*

This report was adopted and a motion not to publish the names of prisoners passed. Dr. Trenaman was re-appointed Jail physician at the same salary. Dr. N. F. Cunningham reported as follows:

*To His Honor the Warden and Council of Halifax County:*

GENTLEMEN:—As a proof of the care and attention paid to the Poor of this County, I beg leave to report only two deaths for the year 1906, and both of these due, not to disease, but to *old age*.

Owing to the large number of new admissions, the available space is fully taken up and one of the buildings is crowded.

If more are admitted, an addition to the buildings will be needed if that necessity has not already arrived. I would again respectfully urge upon you the necessity for Telephone communication with the County Poores' Farm.

Yours, etc.,

N. F. CUNNINGHAM, M. D.

The report was adopted and Dr. N. F. Cunningham re-appointed. Fred Umlab was re-appointed Chief County Constable.

Moved by Councillor Réyno and Bishop, that in view of the efficient way in which the Chief County Constable has performed his duties and as the cost of living has largely increased, therefore resolved that his salary be increased \$50 00. Carried.

A. W. Smith, Janitor of the Court Court, asked for an increase of \$50 00. Councillors Flemming and Hall moved that the increase be granted. After some discussion the motion was defeated 15 to 14.

D. McDougall was re-appointed Deputy Chief County Constable.

R. H. Scriven was re-appointed a Constable.

Miss Ida Hancock was appointed Matron of the Jail at the usual salary of \$200.00 a year.

J. Anderson wrote asking for an increase as Crier of the Supreme Court. Referred to Finance Committee.

The Treasurer of the County, Parker Archibald, presented his annual report which was on motion received and adopted.

## SATURDAY MORNING.

January 12th.

The Council met at 10.30. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

A petition from Ellen McDonald, Guysborough Road, was read, protesting against alleged wrongful assessment, and asking for a refund of taxes paid in 1906. Councillors Taylor and Piers moved that the refund be granted. *PASSED.*

A protest from Henry Archibald of District 31, against the payment of taxes for 1906 on personal property, which he did not own.

Councillors Negus and Conrod moved that the refund be granted. Carried.

The question of assessment led to an interesting discussion, participated in by Councillors Taylor, Gladwin, Negus, Archibald and His Honor the Warden,

Applications from Jas. M. Henneberry and James W. Conrod for the position of caretaker of the County Poor Farm. A ballot was taken and Mr. Conrod was elected by a vote of 29 to 1.

On motion of Councillors Bishop and Ronnan, Mr. Henneberry received three months notice from Jan. 1st, 1907. Carried.

The Council adjourned.

## SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

A letter was read from H Ware offering to sell a property adjoining the County Poors Farm to the County for \$1,000.

Moved by Councillors Archibald and Gladwin that four members of the Council be appointed to examine this land near the Poors Farm and report as to the value of said property and report at the present session. Carried.

Councillors Ronnan, Archibald, Gladwin and Taylor were appointed the committee.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Réyno that the salary of the new Superintendent be the same as his predecessor, namely four hundred dollars, (\$400 00) a year to commence April 1st, said salary to include the matron. *PASSED.*

Moved by Councillors Archibald and Meren that another committee be appointed to look into the cost of running the Poors Farm also the receipts derived from said farm, to ascertain if some better plan cannot be adopted in future, this committee to report to this council at this session. Carried. Councillors Ronnan, Archibald, Taylor and Gladwin were appointed the committee.

Moved by Councillors Gladwin and Sutherland that \$11.54 be assessed on District 35 for the building of a pound. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Tulloch and Longard, that the dividing line between Seonto 3 and District 18 be known hereafter as the slate pit bank. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Rennau and Ramkey :

*Whereas*,—It will be necessary to borrow money by overdraft on the bank for the purpose of defraying in part the annual current expenditure of this Municipality for the current year ;

*And Whereas*,— It is necessary that authority be given by this Council to authorize such overdraft ;

*Therefore Resolved*,—That this Council approve of and authorize such overdraft to the extent of and not to exceed the sum of Ten thousand dollars.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Hall :

*Resolved*,—That in the collection of rates from non-residents, the Collectors be allowed all sums of money for postages and all discounts on cheques, and also the costs of remitting monies to the County Treasurer by Post Office order or registered letter. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Cramer and Hall, that the clerk order no bills for poor to be paid before notifying the secretary of the Overseers of the Poor. Carried.

Council adjourned.

## MONDAY MORNING.

January 14th.

The Council met at 10 o'clock. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

On motion of Councillors Leslie and Power, Parker Archibald was re-appointed Clerk of Licenses.

A letter was read from William D Yeadon, threatening legal proceedings against the Municipality on account of the blocking and closing of a drain on the Simbro Road, which he claimed flooded his meadow land. A A McKay, Solicitor for Mr Yeadon also wrote stating his readiness to confer with the Council or a committee on the matter. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee on motion of Councillors Conrad and Slanghenwhite.

Councillors Piers and Bishop moved the following resolutions :

*Whereas*, His Lordship Judge Henry both by personal donations and collections made by him, for the purposes of making a new road from Long Lake dam to the old Spryfield road and on towards Mr William Yeadon's property in District 14 which amount has been expended during the past year.

*Therefore Resolved* That the thanks of the Municipal Council of the Halifax County be tendered him for the public spirit displayed ; and that the Clerk forward to his Lordship a copy of the resolution.

Councillors Piers said that a lot of money due the Municipality in his district was not collected, he said that warrants had been issued but never execution. Stipendiary McDougall explained that the reason the warrants were not issued was that the notices were not correctly served and the county might get into serious litigations if they tried to collect it.

Two letters were read from Emma McDonald and Mrs Charles McDonald, Lawrencetown, he sympathized with Mrs M. Donald but the other people must live. Councillor Negus considered it a matter for the Board of Health.

Councillor Darragh thought the Supervisor should not allow seaweed to be piled on the highway.

Councillor Leslie thought the matter could easily be disposed of by the councillor from the district giving an assurance that the kelp would be taken away before the hot weather. Councillor Fleming and Hall moved that the Clerk write Mrs McDonald explaining the sentiment by the council in the matter. Carried.

A report was received from D A Moser, Wm Naugle and Francis McDonald, who were appointed to lay out a road in District 33 from Cow Bay to Cole Harbor.

Councillor Negus explained that the committee had never agreed upon the question, and that the road was of no use as it did not reach the manure which it was intended to do, and also that the road was illegal as it did not follow the precepts.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Moren, that the report from District 33 be deferred until the April session. Carried:

A petition was read from residents of District 32, asking for the granting of a precept for the construction of a road from the main highway to the Railway Station at Hubbard's.

On motion of Councillors McLean and Hall, the precept was granted, and William Kennedy was appointed to lay out the road.

Councillor Longard again brought up the question of the road grant for District 38, which he claimed not to have received.

The Warden asked for a resolution before the matter could be discussed.

The following resolution was then presented:

Moved by Councillors Longard and Bishop, *Whereas*, The road grant for the past year having been received by a person other than the supervisor; *Be it resolved*, That the amount be refunded less the amount spent by the supervisor of the District.

Councillor Longard spoke at length in support of his resolution.

A long discussion followed, which was participated in by Councillors Negus, Slaughterwhite, Power, Moren, Bishop, McLean, Darragh and the Warden.

The Council then adjourned until 2.30.

## MONDAY AFTERNOON.

The council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The discussion of Councillor Longard's resolution for a refund of his road grant was resumed. The members of the council strongly condemned the action of Andrew Scott in acting as Supervisor and drawing the money when another man had been appointed Supervisor. Councillor Longard added the words "A amount of \$50.00" and the resolution was then put and carried. It was understood that the money should come from the road grant this year.

Councillor Fleming and Hall moved the following resolution:

*That whereas*, Andrew Scott of Dover, through some clerical error of the county officers obtained the amount of Government grant allotted to District No. 38 and expended the same;

*Therefore resolved*, That this council express its dissatisfaction of the advantages taken by the said Andrew Scott;

*And further resolved*, That the councillor for the district, G. H. Longard, be wholly exonerated from any blame in the matter.

The resolution passed by a vote of 19 to 4.

Councillors Piers and Bishop moved that the rock projecting at the corner of Frank Caldwell's property on the road from the Arm bridge to Chocolats Lake, be blasted off so as to make a safe and efficient means for two teams passing. Carried.

Irving W Fader, J Sprott Stewart and W H Studd were appointed the board of Assessment appeal for 1907.

The Council then adjourned.

## TUESDAY MORNING.

January 15th.

The Council met at 10 30. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The following resolution was passed on motion of councillors Piers and Flemming :

*Whereas* It is understood that an Electric Tram company proposes to operate a tram line from Halifax to Bedford.

*And Whereas* the residents of the North West Arm and Dutch Village districts are in great need of better communication with the city which they formerly had by means of a bus line ;

*And Whereas* the residents of those districts have in the past petitioned the city council for a tram line and this council for a bus line ;

*Therefore Resolved* that this council, through its clerk, request the said electric tram company to run its line so as to benefit the residents of the districts aforesaid.

The Clerk submitted a comparative statement of assessment for the last two years. 20 districts showed an increase and 13 a decrease, the net increase amounted to \$24,000. Considerable discussion ensued, The opinion being expressed that a change in the Assessment law should be made.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Hall that the schedule of Assessment be received and adopted and that the same be embodied in the minutes of the council. Carried.

A letter was read from J M Henneberry offering to leave the Poors Farm right away if the council paid him \$100.00. Councillors McLean and Hall moved the following resolution :

*That* Mr Henneberry's offer be accepted and that he be paid \$100.00 in full of demands and that the premises be ready for occupancy by Mr Conrad on Feb. 1st next. Carried.

Councillors Negus and Archibald presented the following resolution which was adopted :

*Whereas*, There is at present no system of registration of births, marriages and deaths, within this province;

*And whereas*, Great inconvenience has often arisen and the rights to property often jeopardised on account of there being no authoritative registration;

*Therefore resolved*, That this council hereby records its opinion that some system should be established by the Provincial Governments, and would earnestly request that action be taken at once to remedy the existing grievance;

*Further resolved*, That the clerk be instructed to transmit copies of this resolution to the Provincial Secretary.

Councillor Negus and Gladwin moved the following resolutions which passed unanimously :

*Resolved*, That this council having learned of the death of William Johnson, father of Councillor Johnson, do hereby express its sympathy with the members of his family in their bereavement ;

*Further Resolved*, That councillor Johnson be excused from attendance on the council, he being unavoidably absent on account of the decease of his father.

Councillor Thomas explained that his absence from the council on Monday was due to a death in his family and a motion excusing his attendance was adopted.

The special committee appointed to examine the Ware property presented the following report :

To His Honor the Warden and Municipal Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

The committee appointed to examine and report upon the Wier property, so-called, beg to report as follows:

We cruised said lot carefully and our finding is from best information we could obtain, we believe, that there are upwards of fifty acres of land, eighteen of which is cleared for field and pasture, upwards of thirty acres is covered with good timber and wood. We estimate at least there is now of old growth spruce upwards of fifty thousand, and that there would remain of wood per acre twenty cords or a total of six hundred cords.

The land as far as we could see was quite free from stone and we would consider it fair tillage land. There is a very comfortable house having eight rooms besides a large kitchen and pantry. The barn is large enough but not in good repair.

There is a small orchard of thrifty apple trees, the fruits of which is of fine quality.

The price asked is nine hundred and fifty dollars. We would consider it well worth this amount, and would be for the best interest of the Municipality to purchase it.

P G ARCHIBALD  
A H GLADWIN  
F A RONNAN  
J H TAYLOR.

On motion the report was received and adopted and the matter referred to the Finance Committee.

The Clerk brought up the case of inquest in which the fees were in excess of the statutory allowance. The Justice of the Peace who held the inquest, W M Sedgewick paid the money himself and asked for a refund. On motion the amount was ordered to be paid.

Councillors Leslie and McLean moved that the District officers be elected en bloc, carried.

The council then proceeded to elect the District officers for the several districts with the exceptions of Districts 8 and 30.

On separate motions the following amounts were assessed for poor in the several districts :

District 33 .....	\$150 00	District 26 .....	\$ 80 00
31 .....	100 00	27 .....	250 00
37 .....	40 00	31 .....	50 00
35 .....	40 00	28 .....	60 00
18 .....	150 00	32 .....	50 00
7 .....	25 00	20 .....	90 00
17 .....	25 00	36 .....	50 00

On motion the council adjourned until 2.30.

### TUESDAY AFTERNOON.

The council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session was read and approved.

\$30.00 was assessed on District 11 for poor purposes and \$140.00 on District 19 for the same.

The list of officers for District 30 was adopted.

The clerk was instructed to notify H. Ware of the council's decision to purchase his property and to pay \$10.00 deposit to bind it.

The council then adjourned.

## WEDNESDAY MORNING.

January 16th.

The council met at 10. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Councillor Power said he desired to bring up a matter in connection with the feeding of the prisoners in the jail. He stated that a resident of his district was confined there and reported that the food was thrown in on the floor.

Councillors Bishop and Hall thought the jailor should be asked to explain. Jailor Malcolm being sent for explained that the bread was taken around in a basket and the prisoners called to come to the cell door and take it, if any prisoners does not come and take it, it is laid on the floor for him to get. This had been the custom ever since he had been connected with the jail. After some discussion the matter was referred to the Public Property committee.

Councillors Tulloch and Romkey moved that the road taxes collected from Mrs. McDonald of Guysborough Road, in District 18, for 1906 be refunded to her, the amount to be charged to the district. Carried.

Councillor Archibald referred to a case of diptheria in his district, in which the doctor administered anti-toxin to prevent the disease spreading and sent a bill of \$26.00. After some discussion in which it was shown that the expense was not authorized by the Board of Health as required by law. The matter dropped.

Councillors Bishop and Croucher moved that H Mellish be allowed to continue his fence on his property on the old St. Margaret's Bay road.

The Warden thought the better way would be to close the road and give it to Mr. Mellish.

Councillor Taylor agreed with the Warden, and thought notices should be posted and the road closed.

Councillor McLean said that this road was not the property of the county, as it was only used temporarily when the new bridge was being built.

The resolution was withdrawn.

Councillors Sutherland and Bishop moved that the dividing line between road sections 4 and 5, District 37, be Gilbert's south line. Carried.

A bill from Dr F A R Gow of \$25.00 for a post mortem examination held in district 8 was read. The opinion was expressed that the charge was exorbitant.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Archibald, That the sum of \$11.40 be paid to Dr. Gow in full for services rendered in the inquest on the body of Angus Hargreaves in October last. Carried.

The treasurer presented the county rate statement for year 1906, which was on motion received and adopted:

*County Rate Statement for year 1906.*

Dist.	Assessed	Paid to		Deficit	Explanations
		Dec. 31, 1906	Dec. 31, 1906		
No 7	\$ 274 59	\$ 269 93	\$ 4 66		Part of this will be collected
8	274 23	199 70	74 53		Warrant outstanding
9	286 05	286 05			Paid in full
10	305 42	287 91	17 51		Most of this collectable
11	529 29	521 17	8 12		Uncollectable
12	535 19	522 73	12 46		"
13	412 57	399 67	12 90		Warrant outstanding.
14	1390 83	1353 28	37 55		" "
15	2007 81	1766 05	241 76		" "
16	515 01	476 41	38 60		" "
17	1549 92	1446 59	103 33		" "
18	1239 11	1091 82	147 29		" "

19	954 06	888 11	70 95	Most of this will be collected.
20	515 30	295 86	219 44	Most of this collected. In Collectors hands.
21	1308 47	1296 39	12 08	Largely poll tax arrears, about \$6 00 will be collected.
21a	216 08	186 93	29 15	\$26.75 of this in Collectors hands. Remainder uncollectable.
22	1137 44	1131 47	5 97	Uncollectable.
23	183 44	123 44	59 56	A large part of this will be collected.
24	751 96	693 68	58 28	A large part of this will be collected.
25	916 66	773 99	142 67	A large part of will this be collected.
26	882 28	877 91	4 37	Uncollectable.
27	1118 04	1101 43	16 61	Warrant outstanding. Part of this will be collected.
28	779 41	779 41	16 61	Paid in full.
29	520 77	518 67	2 10	Uncollectable.
30	354 85	316 45	38 40	Part of this will be collected.
31	3041 66	2547 53	493 53	Most of this will be collected.
32	1235 80	1217 03	18 77	Uncollectable.
33	835 75	824 47	11 28	"
34	849 64	618 67	230 97	Nearly \$200 00 is due by Mont. Gold & Silver Dev. Co. Will be collected.
35	396 41	395 83	58	Uncollectable.
36	527 76	502 06	25 70	Warrant outstanding. Most of this will be collected.
37	750 92	727 04	23 88	Warrant outstanding. Most of this will be collected.
38	251 92	247 29	4 63	Most of this will be collected.
	26847 60	24679 97	2167 63	

Councillors Negus and Archibald moved that the poll tax of 30 cents be not levied the ensuing year.

Councillors Conrod and Sutherland moved in amendment and that the poll tax 30 cents be levied.

The Stipendiary pointed out that the amendment was out of order and it was withdrawn.

The motion was then put and carried by a vote of 16 to 12.

Councillors Ronnan and Moren gave notice of reconsideration.

The council adjourned.

### WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

The council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The notice of reconsideration given by councillors Ronnan and Moore was taken up, 19 voted for reconsideration and 9 against.

Councillor Negus spoke strongly against the poll tax. He claimed that it increased the taxes on the small property holders.

Councillor Power thought the taxes would be raised more if the poll tax was not collected.

Councillor Laalie opposed the tax and Councillor Longard supported it. The resolution was discussed also by councillors Ronnan, Taylor, Johnston, Homans, Covey, Conrod, Croucher, Darragh and Archibald.

A vote being taken the resolution was defeated, 19 to 12.

Names being called for there appeared: For the motion Councillors Homans, Reyno, Leslie, Milne, Negus, Covey, Thomas, Lapierre, Crawford, Tulloch, Croucher and Hall, 12. Against, Councillors Bishop, Sutherland, Slaughenwhite, Conrod, Archibald, Moren, Power, Baleom, Romkey, Ronnan, Darragh, Johnston, Woodworth, Taylor, Piers, McLean, Gladwin, Longard and His Honor the Warden, 19.

Moved by councillors Bishop and Homans, that councillors Hall and Moren be added to the Road and Bridge committee. The motion was defeated.

Councillors Longard and Slaughenwhite moved that the road tax be 30 cents on the \$100.00. Councillors Conrod and Milne moved in amendment that the rate be 15 cents. After considerable discussion the amendment was defeated and the original motion passed.

Councillors Taylor and Woodworth moved that certain communications from George Carnett of District No 9, be placed in the hands of the Road and Bridge committee; carried.

Councillors Hall and Gladwin moved that \$175.00 be assessed on District 25 for poor purposes; carried.

Councillors Hall and McLean moved:

That road section No 11 extend from Matthew Boutilier, jr, Mushaboon to a stone marked X, about one hundred yards from post road leading from Sheet Harbor to Spry Bay, and that Section No 12 extend from said stone to Mushaboon bridge on Spry Bay road, all in District No 25.

A letter from J E Albro's agent for Sir Sanford Flemming, was referred to the Road and Bridge committee.

Councillors Slaughenwhite and Bishop moved that the bridge now known as Smelt Brook Bridge in District 2 be placed under the smaller bridge act; carried.

Councillors Romkey and Balcom moved that the sum of \$150 00 be assessed on District No 24 for support of poor in 1907; carried.

Moved by Councillors Conrod and Moren, that the wages for statute labor be the same as last year; carried.

The council adjourned.

## THURSDAY MORNING.

January 17th.

The council met at 10. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Councillor Moren asked if a road was damaged by the building of a dam by a private individual who should repair it, the individual or the county?

Moved by Councillors Johnston and Longard, that the list of officers for District No 8 be received and adopted; carried.

Moved by Councillors Flemming and Hall, that the new piece of constructed land by the local government during the past summer from Windsor Junction to Green's Siding be incorporated in the public road system of District No 17 and that the same be included in road section No 13 of said District No 17; carried.

The following resolution was presented by councillors Covey and Hall:

*Whereas*, The county has been paying large bounties on wild cats and bears, and the county has in the last twelve years paid out of the county treasury the sum of \$3263.63;

*Therefore resolved*, In view of the increasing expenditure of this county, that the bounty be reduced to one half, viz, \$1.00 for cats, \$2.00 for bears, as the industry is fairly started and could live without so much bonus;

*And further resolved*, As it is reported by some of the councillors that there exists in this county wild cat farms and this council should make strict enquires why the bounty has increase so much this year.

Councillors Covey and Negus thought it would be a great saving to the county if the bounties were reduced. Councillor Bishop strongly opposed the motion, he considered the sheep raising industry an important one and thought it should be protected.

Councillor Leshe said the bounties paid last year amounted to 5% of the taxes paid. He supported the resolution.

The Warden thought the county had too many dogs, and suggested that they should be taxed. Councillor Archibald deprecated the division in the council between the farmer's and fisherman, he would support anything to relieve the fishermen, and he considered that the county would be doing wrong to imperil a great industry like sheep raising for the sake of the small bounty paid.

Councillor Longard supported the resolution, claiming that the fisherman should not pay for the farmer.

Councillors Flemming and Taylor apposed the motion. Councillor Taylor told of the experiences of farmers with wild cats, and said the cats were killing many sheep.

Councillor Covey said he heard that a wild cat farm existed in the county, where cats were caught alive when very small and kept them until large enough to secure the bounty,

Councillor Milne told his experience in losing sheep through wild cats. Councillors Moren and Piers also spoke. The resolution was then put and defeated 20 to 5.

Councilor Covey gave notice of reconsideration.

Moved by councillors Slaughenwhite and Longard, that this council impose a tax of (\$1.00) one dollar, on all dogs kept in the county, the same to be paid to the county Treasurer's office. After some discussion the resolution was withdrawn.

Councillors Negus and Conrod moved that Mrs James W Conrod be appointed Matron of the Halifax county Poor Farm for the ensuing year, Carried,

The council then adjourned,

## FRIDAY MORNING.

January 18th.

The Council met at 10.30.

The minutes of previous session were read and approved.

Councillor Bishop's notice of reconsideration re Eastern Railway Terminus was defeated.

Councillors Longard and Gladwin moved that the present Board of Appeal constitute the Board of Revisors known as the Board of Revision and Appeal for the ensuing year. Carried.

Couns Conrad and Powers moved the following which passed unanimously.

Resolved that this Council cannot adjourn without expressing its sympathy with our friend and brother Coun L W Lydard in the accident that has befallen him in the breaking of his leg, and thereby causing his non-attendance at this session of Council, but trust that his injury may speedily improve so that he will be with us in our April Session.

Couns Crawford and Power moved that the overseers of the Poor for District 36, be relieved of the payment of \$11.75 charged against them by the Municipality for Medical Certificates, team hire and interest. After a long discussion the matter was deferred until the afternoon.

The following communication was read from A McDougald, Secretary of the Municipal Reform Association :

Pictou, N S, Jan 5th, 1907

To the Warden and Couus of the Municipality of the County of Halifax,

Gentlemen: On the 28th day of March, A D 1906, a meeting was held in "The Board of Trade" rooms at Halifax, at which representatives from 15 Municipal Councils, and an organization was started, called "The Municipal Reform Association" with officers:— President, C E Smith, Warden of Halifax County; Vice Presidents, W S Drew, Warden of Lunenburg County, John H Grant, Warden of Guysboro; and D J McLeod, Municipal Clerk of Cumberland; and Secretary—Treasurer, A McDougall, of Pictou, County Treasurer.

The organization is intended to be for the benefit of Municipalities, and does not at present include cities or towns. The objects of the Association are to consider and deal with any matters affecting Municipal Government.

The next meeting will be held at Halifax on the second Wednesday after the opening of the Provincial Legislative Assembly.

Each Municipal Council is entitled to send three delegates, one of whom shall be the Municipal Clerk or Municipal Treasurer.

There are no salaries offered in connection with the Association, and a fee of twenty-five cents paid by each member on registration is expected to meet all office expenses.

Kindly bring this matter before your Municipal Council and arrange for delegates to be sent to Halifax on the date of the next meeting, of which you will receive due notice.

The continuation or cessation of this association will depend upon the action of the delegates present at the next meeting.

Please send me names and address of delegates that will be appointed by your Municipal Council, and oblige,

Yours Respectfully,

A McDougall

Secretary of "The Municipal Reform Association."

On motion of Couus Negus and Conrad, the Warden, Clerk and Coun Taylor were appointed delegates.

Moved by Coun Negus seconded by Coun Conrad that the use of this room be accorded the delegates appointed for the meeting of the Municipal Reform Association of Nova Scotia.

Provided such arrangements can be made with the Judge of the County Court, for use of said room, and that the Warden be appointed to wait on His Honor Judge Wallace to further the intentions of this resolution.

Moved by Couus McLean and Balcom that the sum of \$1 be allowed to each and every District for furnishing list of Poll Tax payers said amount to be handed to each councillor to be paid to the party who performed the work. Carried.

The Road and Bridge Committee reported as follows:—

To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County.

Gentlemen:—Your Committee on Roads and Bridges beg leave to submit the following report.

In connection with the claim of Wm Yeadon for damages in Dist 14 resulting from the action of the road authorities in said Dist by what he terms obstructing a waterway and whereby his property had been overflowed. Your committee has received information furnished by Mr. Yeadon's Solicitor and by the Councillor and Supervisor of Roads in said Dist. The Supervisor strongly contends that he has provided sufficient drainage which is strongly supported by the Councillor, and which appears to be borne out by information otherwise received; would suggest that if the future shows that Mr Yeadon's property has received any actual damage directly from the result of the action of the authorities, that the grievance complained of be removed.

With reference to the correspondence received from G Garrett claiming that his horse received injuries by breaking through a bridge in Dist 9. We might say that after carefully looking over the correspondence, while we regret very much that the accident has happened we do not see that the Municipality is liable for any damages in the case.

Regarding the letter referred to your committee from Sir Sanford Flemming After hearing the explanation made by several persons acquainted with the circumstance we would recommend that instead of the road tax being expended on the road referred to, that it be collected by the Supervisor and expended in the best interests of the District.

Your committee would strongly recommend that prompt action be taken to collect the unpaid road tax which is shown by the annexed sheet and which is entirely too large, and would appear that the proper officers have not given the matter the attention which the circumstance demands, and that in the event of these unpaid amounts not being collected before the April Session the delinquent Districts be dealt with accordingly in the distribution of the Govt. Road Grant.

Appended hereto is a general summary of the supervisors reports received from the several Districts. All of which is respectfully submitted

Chas C McLean, Chairman  
 F D Darragh  
 John J Johnson  
 J H Balcom  
 A R Tulloch  
 E J Covey  
 J M Thomas.

Couns Flemming and Croucher moved that the report of the Road and Bridge committee be received and adopted. Carried.

A motion to adjourn until 2 o'clock. Passed.

### FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

The Council met at 2 o'clock.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The resolution of Coun Crawford in reference to \$11.75 charged to Dist 36, was again brought up. Coun Crawford spoke in support of the resolution and after some discussion the resolution was put and defeated 18 to 11.

The committee on Poor submitted the following report which was received and adopted.



The Committee on Poor hereby submit the annexed sheet compiled from all the information presented and your Committee find in report from Dist 30 showing a balance due the County of \$188.42 we have spoken to the Councillor regarding the matter and who says they have had warrants issued and it is almost impossible to collect the taxes as the people are in very poor circumstances. Your Committee would recommend that the amount of \$100 be deducted from their poor account leaving a balance of \$88.42 to be collected. Your committee would also recommend that the Councillor for said district urge upon his collector the necessity of making a determined effort to collect the taxes in July and August not leaving till the fall to collect as your Committee think better work might be done. Your Committee would also recommend that the Clerk and Warden urge upon the Councillors the necessity of having their Board of Overseers send their report to the Clerk in compliance with the rule as we find there are eight without any report.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W D Conrad, Chairman  
 J H Balcom  
 J M Thomas  
 J V Reno  
 A H Gladwin  
 S Sutherland  
 A Crawford.

The Committee of the Hospital for the Insane presented the following report which on motion was received and adopted.

To the Warden and Councillors:—

Your Committee having gone through the duties devolving upon them beg to report as follows:—During the past year there have been admitted to the Institution seven males and three females and of those discharged five males and six females. There are now at the Institution ten males and thirteen females, total twenty-three. The cost of maintenance to the County is \$3701.81 all of which has been paid.

Halifax, Jan 17, 1907.

P G Archibald, Chairman  
 Robinson Woodworth  
 Andrew Crawford,  
 James H Power  
 William Homans  
 F D Darragh

The committee on Licenses reported as follows:

Your committee find that out of nine ferries, only four have taken out a license and that the Clerk has notified the delinquents and they have refused to comply with his request.

Your committee would recommend the Clerk of License confer with the Provincial Secretary and see if he has a legal right to collect the same and if so to proceed at once. Your committee would recommend that the schedule for Licenses be same as last year.

J H POWER, Chairman.  
 WILLIAM HOMANS  
 E J COVEY  
 HENRY PIERS  
 O A MILNE  
 G H LONGARD.

The report of the Finance committee was then read and on motion was received and adopted:

## REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Your committee on finance beg leave to submit the following report :

With reference to the purchase of the Ware property at Cole Harbor for the Poors Farm. Your committee would recommend that legislation be applied for at the ensuing meeting of the Legislature, authorizing the County Treasurer, to pay the purchase money, viz., \$950.00 out of the unexpended balance in his hands to the credit of the Municipality on December 31st, 1906.

We herewith append the estimates for year 1907.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN H TAYLOR, Chairman.  
 F A RONNAN  
 O A MILNE  
 GEO H LONGARD  
 P G ARCHIBALD  
 LILDSAY MOREN  
 HENRY HALL.

## ESTIMATES FOR CITY, COUNTY AND DARTMOUTH.

Court House current expenses .....	\$ 2100 00
" " Interest on Loan of 1903 .....	800 00
" " " " " " 1899 .....	280 00
" " Sinking Fund on Loan of 1903 .....	759 00
" " " " " " " " 1899 .....	280 00
County Jail current expenses .....	2600 00
Grand Petit and Special Juries .....	1325 00
Sheriff's Accounts .....	1200 00
Criminal Prosecutions .....	2070 00
Clerk of the Crown .....	740 00
Printing and Stationery .....	600 00
Criers Supreme and County Courts:—	
H Y Hanson, \$450; Jas. Anderson, \$400; W G Naylor, \$500. ....	1350 00
	\$ 14104 00
Less Government Subsidy to Court House .....	\$ 300 00
" Dartmouth's share County Treasurer's salary .....	30 00
The City of Halifax pays in addition to above, \$400.00 on County Treasurer's salary.	

## ESTIMATES FOR COUNTY ALONE.

Warden and Councillors.....	\$	1350	00
Stipendiary Magistrate.....		1050	00
County clerk \$1200, County Treasurer \$600.....		1800	00
Chief and Deputy County Constables.....		500	00
School Grants.....		11840	00
Hospital for Insane.....		3800	00
Poors Farm current expenses.....		6400	00
Revisors Jury Lists.....		30	00
Revisors Electoral Lists.....		220	00
Assessors \$635, Board of Appeal \$50.....		685	00
Draw Bridges \$70, Postages and Telegrams \$90.....		160	00
Bounties \$1100, Dispensary \$25.00.....		1125	00
Coroners \$150, Auditors \$50.....		200	00
Expenses Stipendiary Magistrate, East and West.....		100	00
Contingencies.....		175	00
Salary Chairman Public Property Committee \$50, Vice Ch., \$25.....		75	00
Board of Health.....		50	00
South Shore R R Debentures and Interest.....		1100	00
Maintenance Juvenile Offenders.....		60	00
Pay Roll Special committees.....		180	00
Councillors Elections.....		225	00
Legal Expenses.....		25	00
		\$	31150 00
Less Probable fees and fines Stipendiary Magistrate.....	\$	250	00
“ “ “ “ License Inspector.....		800	00
“ “ Income Pedlars Licenses.....		100	00
“ “ County Poor Farm.....		2400	00
“ “ Interest accounts Union Bank.....		100	00
“ Dartmouth Municipal School Fund.....		4321	60
		\$	23178 40

On motion of Councillors Archibald and Gladwin, a vote of thanks was tendered Councillor Bishop for his work as Chairman of the Public Property committee.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Woodworth that the sum of \$33.00 be added to the estimates to defray the expense in connection with collecting the Poll tax in the county, carried.

A bill of \$15.00 from Francis McDonald, Wm Naugle and D A Mcser, Eastern Passage was read. Councillor Nequs addressed the council at length and considered that the bill should be paid. Councillors Archibald and Gladwin moved that the precept granted to lay out road in Districts 31 and 33 having failed in its completion, be it resolved that this question be deferred until the April Session, when Councillor Lydiard will be present so we may have a fair understanding, carried.

The report of the committee on the Act respecting Forest Fires was read as follows:

Committee appointed to report re the Chapter on "Forest fires" and "Forest Rangers," report that the committee have taken the matter into consideration and briefly report as follows:

The committee find that there is no provision in the Act for the verification of the Accounts of the Chief Ranger and Assistants and would recommend that all such accounts showing particulars of the services performed including dates, shall be verified by affidavit of the persons claiming the amount. The affidavit to be sworn to before a Justice of the Peace.

That the law be made to apply to tracts of one hundred acres instead of five hundred as at present.

That the enforcing of Section 17 of such law will seriously interfere with farmers and others in the clearing of their lands and thus preventing improvements being made on their farms.

That farmers in most cases can safely be trusted to conduct the burning of bush, &c, in the cleaning of lands. That there is no available method that farmers can employ for the using up of refuse, brush, rotten wood, stumps, sods &c.

That the rigid enforcement of such law may prove disastrous as it tends to discourage our young men from trying to clear up land in trying to make homes for themselves and their families, and may drive many such out of our Province and thus cause the loss to us of valuable citizens.

That the prohibiting of the use of fire in burning brush and rubbish on his own premises is taking from the farmer a right previously enjoyed by them, and absolutely necessary to their success and lastly, that the foregoing be laid before the Premier requesting that such law be amended.

Signed by Law amendment and spcial committees :

J H TAYLOR	F D DARRAGH
HENRY PIERS	O A MILNE
D T LESLIE	P G ARCHIBALD
DANIEL LAPIERRE	S SUTHERLAND
R A SLAUGHENWHITE	W BISHOP
HENRY HALL	ROBINSON WOODWORTH.

A motion to defer consideration of this question until April was lost. A motion to adjourn until 10 p. m. to-morrow, passed.

## SATURDAY MORNING.

January, 19th, 1907.

The council met at 10 o'clock. The minutes of the previous session were read.

Councillors Negus and Muir moved that the clause in the minutes regarding deferring the discussion of the forest ranges bill until the April session be struck out. Carried. The minutes as amended were approved.

Moved by Councillors Longard and Archibald that Section 14 of Chapter 1, of the Acts of 1903-4, entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 91, R S 1900, entitling the protection of Woods against fire," be repeated in so far as the same relates to the Municipality of Halifax County, that such expenditure shall be limited to the amount collected by the Chief Ranger, carried.

A letter from Dr A P Reid, Provincial Health Officer, calling the attention of the council to the act requiring every Municipality to appoint a Health Officer.

Councillors Taylor and Johnston moved that the matter of the appointment of a health officer under Section 33, of the Act in relation to the public health, be left in the hands of the Warden and Stipendiary McDougall and that unless we are compelled to do so, such appointment be made. Carried.

James W Conrod, Superintendent of the county Poors' Farm, was present and thanked the council for the appointment.

Moved by Councillors Archibald and Gladwin that the resolution asking for amendment of Section 14 of the Act relating to forest fires be added to the report of the Law Amendment Committee, and that the report be received and adopted, carried.

Councillor Ronnan stated that A F Church wanted a minute of the council before going ahead with the making of a map for the county.

Councillor Conrod thought districts should be made collect the road tax. A number of districts were in arrears and would probably get more year by year. Councillors Bishop, Covey, Piers, Archibald, Taylor, Longard.

Councillors Conrod and Sutherland moved that Councillor Lydiard receive his pay for the session, as he has been unable to attend owing to a painful accident that has befallen him, he has done the work of his office for the year and we think it only right that he receives his pay. carried.

Councillor Archibald started a discussion on the Ploors Farm by showing that the amount produced on the farm last year, amounted to \$400 and the cost of the production was \$1000

Several Councillors gave their views on the subject. His Honor the Warden and Councillor Lydiard were appointed commissioners of the Court House.

Moved by Councillors Conrod and Bishop that the councillors pay be the same as the last year, \$2 00 per day and mileage, carried.

The following were appointed parties to examine persons for admission to the Hospital for the insane. J G Reynolds, Upper Musquodoboit; W M Sedgewick, Middle Musquodoboit; Colin McNab, W L Barss, Stipendiary McDougall.

Councillors Ronnan and R mkey moved that this council tender to Councillor Croucher and his good wife its hearty congratulations in the 50th anniversary of their wedding, and trust that they may live to enjoy many more years of wedded life, carried. A vote of thanks was entered the Warden. The Warden made a neat speech.

A vote of thanks was also tendered to Deputy Warden, J H Taylor, who responded in fitting terms.

The Council then adjourned.

Parker Archibald, Clerk of Licenses, read his report which was unanimously adopted.

Halifax, January 10, 1907.

To His Honor the Warden and County Councillors :

The Clerk of License begs leave to submit the following report.

During the year 13 Pedlars Licenses were issued and 4 Ferry Licenses.

I understand a number of ferries are operated without having the necessary license. I wrote a number who, I understand, operate them but they neglected or refused to take out a license. It would seem hardly fair that four operating ferries should take out licenses and the remainder go free.

Respectfully submitted,

PARKER ARCHIBALD,

*Clerk of License.*

### RETURN OF LICENSES ISSUED 1906.

1906.		PEDLARS LICENSES.		
Jan.	15—Louis Mozelone	No. 1	.....	\$ 15 00
	22—Michael Miller,	2	.....	25 00
	31—A. Newman,	3	.....	25 00
Feb.	2—William Sweet	4	.....	25 00
	6—John Abraham	5	.....	15 00
April	18—Max Vaineky	6	.....	25 00
	26—Joseph Botus	7	.....	15 00
May	7—Alex Findlay	8	.....	25 00
June	26—Benjamin Mozelone	9	.....	15 00
Aug.	22—John Allen	10	.....	15 00
Oct.	19—Saleem Annaway	11	.....	15 00
Nov.	13—John Laba	12	.....	15 00
	20—Anthony Joseph	13	.....	15 00
				\$ 245 00
1906		FERRY LICENCES.		
Jan.	8—Robert Purcell, Point Pleasant		.....	\$ 1 00
"	8—Chas. Purcell, "		.....	1 00
May	4—Edward Henneberry, Gerrards Island		.....	1 00
Oct.	26—John Young, Petpiswick		.....	1 00
				\$ 4 00
Dec. 31, 1906		PARKER ARCHIBALD,		

*Clerk of Licenses.*

W. C. Bishop and W. H. Studd were re-appointed Auditors at the same salary-

HALIFAX, N. S., January 8th, 1907.

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :

We beg to report that we have examined the books and vouchers of the County Treasurer for the year ending December 31st, 1906, which we have found correct and in accordance with his statement submitted for your consideration and that the cash on hand is as shown by the statement \$4303.68.

We are gentlemen, yours respectfully,

W. C. BISHOP }  
W. H. STUDD } Auditors.

Reports from Supervisors of Roads in several Districts were read.

Councillor Conrod brought up the question of paying bills for poor patients without consulting the overseers of the poor in the District from which the patients come. Councillor Croucher and Slaughenwhite spoke along the same lines. A motion to adjourn carried.

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :*

The committee appointed to examine and report upon the Wier property so called, beg to report as follows :

We cruised said lot carefully and our finding is : From best information we could obtain we believe that there are upwards of fifty acres of land, eighteen of which is cleared for field and pasture. Upwards of thirty acres are covered with good timber and wood. We estimate at least there is now of old growth spruce upwards of fifty thousand, and there would remain of wood per acre twenty cords, or a total of six hundred cords.

The land as far as we could see was quite free from stone, and we would consider it fair tillage land. There is a very comfortable house having eight rooms beside a large kitchen and pantry. The barn is large enough, but not in good repair.

There is a small orchard of thrifty apple trees, the fruit of which is of fine quality. The price asked is nine hundred and fifty dollars. We would consider it well worth this amount, and would be for the best interest of the Municipality to purchase it.

P. G. ARCHIBALD  
A. H. GLADWIN  
F. A. RONNAN  
J. H. TAYLOR

Moved by Councillors Covey and Hall :

Whereas this County has been paying large bounties on wild cats and bears, and this county has in the last twelve years paid out of the county treasury the sum of \$3263.63 ;

Therefore resolved, in view of the increasing expenditure of this county, that the bounty be reduced to one half—viz., \$1.00 for cats, \$2.00 for bears, as the industry is fairly started and could live without so much bonus.

And further resolved—As it is reported by some of the councillors that there exists in this county wild cat farms, and this council should make strict enquiries why the bounty has increased so much this year.

Moved by Coun. Hall, seconded by Coun McLean—That Road, Section No. 11 extend from Matthew Boutilier's, Jr., Mushaboon, to a stone marked X, about one hundred yards from post road leading from Sheet Harbor to Spry Bay, and that Section No. 12 extend from said stone to Mushaboon bridge on Spry Bay road, all in District No. 25.

## Municipal Assessments 1905-1906 Halifax County.

## COMPARATIVE STATEMENT FOR THE 2 YEARS.

DISTRICT.	Real Estate	Personal	Income	Total 1906	Total 1905	Increase	Decrease	Exempt.	
7	\$ 17860	\$ 3365	\$ 400	\$ 21625	\$ 22110	\$ ....	\$ 485	\$ .....	
8	19595	3145	....	22740	23520	....	780	....	
9	21925	3225	....	25150	25545	....	395	....	
10	23095	2750	....	25845	26407	....	562	....	
11	36405	10070	....	46475	46025	450	....	....	
12	38165	11515	135	49815	50380	....	565	....	
13	33552	4592	....	38144	37615	529	....	....	
14	134060	9165	....	143225	136255	6970	....	....	
15	164410	27200	....	191610	196135	....	4575	7900	
16	39315	7610	....	46925	46685	240	....	2350	
17	134425	13890	4750	153065	148315	4750	....	6650	
18	88965	25745	....	114710	117910	....	3200	3065	
19	73675	19065	....	92740	90085	2655	....	1200	
20	38565	11010	....	49575	48358	1217	....	1105	
21	94020	25915	1100	121035	125050	....	4015	2590	
21a	15640	3670	300	19610	19250	360	....	800	
22	80285	27455	650	108390	107905	485	....	2395	
23	14225	1400	....	15625	14469	1156	....	....	
24	57916	7780	....	65696	68774	....	3078	400	
25	63400	20495	500	84395	83195	1200	....	1600	
26	63701	16879	600	81180	79517	1663	....	1200	
27	80795	17505	....	98300	99550	....	1250	....	
28	51803	12102	....	69905	68490	1415	....	....	
29	42302	7952	....	50254	49052	1202	....	....	
30	28623	3092	....	30715	31575	....	860	1460	
31	366990	14360	....	381350	379830	1520	....	4000	
32	95055	27395	2250	124700	115025	9675	....	3600	
33	70715	9730	600	81045	77710	3335	....	1865	
34	66335	13595	....	79930	78305	1625	....	400	
35	28477	10454	1250	40181	38264	1917	....	2000	
36	37725	8197	150	46072	46232	....	160	1200	
37	56010	13375	400	69785	68650	1135	....	1600	
38	18345	2445	....	20790	21330	....	540	400	
	\$ 2202374	\$ 396143	\$ 13085	\$ 2610602	\$ 2587568	\$ 43499	\$ 20465		
	Total increase \$43639.			Nett increase, \$24034.					

## ROAD AND BRIDGE COMMITTEE.

## SUMMARY OF RETURNS MADE BY SUPERVISORS FOR THE YEAR 1906.

District No.	Total Tax.	Paid in Cash.	Paid by Labor.	Unpaid.
7	\$ 230 08	\$ 19 56	\$ 210 52	\$
8	205 33	1 00	204 33	
9	193 54	37 42	156 12	
10	169 84	24 88	141 32	3 64
11	399 50	9 30	375 60	14 60
12	333 84		333 84	
13	234 65	64 94	164 66	5 05
14	745 70	522 32	93 18	130 20
15	738 37	738 37		
16	321 28	115 33	204 95	1 00
17	488 35	153 45	305 00	29 90
18	631 15	419 03	204 53	7 60
19	494 84	4 20	481 36	9 28
20	294 65	31 82	259 59	3 24
21	649 34	68 27	575 11	5 96
21 <sub>a</sub>	140 87	60 96	79 91	
22	609 05	36 70	571 55	80
23	159 42	20 36	137 06	2 00
24	470 41	150 19	301 59	18 63
25	532 38	200 04	322 51	9 83
26	674 39	63 01	573 63	37 75
27	883 55			38 08
28	569 24	7 00	530 05	32 19
29	299 38	62 44	231 20	5 74
30	244 28	38 74	205 54	
31	1849 29	1480 55	358 74	10 00
32	540 69	185 05	349 24	6 40
33	431 10	88 05	343 05	
34	503 39	92 10	319 65	91 64
35	210 16	10 24	195 48	4 44
36	426 62		408 06	18 56
37	465 30	111 65	342 65	11 00
38		No Returns.		

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE JAILOR OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX FOR  
THE YEAR 1906.

To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

GENTLEMEN:—I beg herewith to submit my report of the commitments to the County Jail during the year ending December 31st, 1906.

For the year beginning January 1st and ending this date, there were committed, Criminals 299, Debtors 56, showing an increase of 32 criminals and 9 Debtors, making a total increase of 41 persons more than the previous year.

At the present date there are 15 criminals in the Jail and no Debtors. The largest number of prisoners in the Jail at one time during the year was 32.

There were also 15 prisoners committed in 1905, who were not discharged until 1906.

The amount of monies received from Oskum, Masters of Ships for boarding deserters, Military Authorities, etc., is \$232.50.

Annexed are statements showing the various crimes for which prisoners were committed during the year.

During the year there were 355 persons committed to Jail, as follows:

City Court Jail .....	259
Court Martial.....	1
Magistrate's Court.....	47
Supreme and County Courts.....	39
Dartmouth Municipal Court.....	9
Total.....	355

The sanitary condition of the Jail and its inmates has been generally good.

There has been more than the usual number committed to Jail for unsound mind, and among them were some very severe cases; as well as among those who were committed for Drunkenness, of the latter there were fewer than the previous years.

The attending physician has been very attentive to the sick, and he has been called at all hours of the day.

The conduct of the prisoners has been generally good.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

WM. L. MALCOM,

Jailor.

Halifax, N. S., }  
Dec. 31, 1906. }

RETURNS OF THE NUMBER OF CRIMINAL PRISONERS COMMITTED  
FOR EACH OFFENCE DURING THE YEAR  
ENDING DEC. 31ST, 1906.

	Males	Females	Total
Rape .....	7		7
Arson .....	3		3
Theft .....	76	5	81
Drunk .....	33	8	41
Incest .....	1		1
Threats .....	2		2
Forgery .....	1		1
Assault .....	32	1	33
Perjury .....	1		1
Buggery .....	3		3
Seduction .....	3		3
Bastardy .....	8		8
Vagrancy .....	1	1	2
Mischief .....	2		2
Stowaway .....	3		3
Manslaughter .....	1		1
Unsound Mind .....	11		11
False Pretences .....	5		5
Deserting Ships .....	21		21
Disorderly Conduct .....	10	3	13
Neglect to Support .....	7		7
Resisting the Police .....	9		9
Burglary and Theft .....	11		11
Robbery and Assault .....	3		3
Violating Fishery Act .....	1		1
Receiving Stolen Goods .....	4		4
Escaping from Custody .....	4		4
Violating Town Ordinance .....	1		1
Keeping a Gaming House .....	2		2
Passing Counterfeit Coin .....	2		2
Wilfully Damaging Property .....	2		2
Selling Liquor Without Licence .....	4		4
Keepers and Inmates Bawdy Houses .....	1	6	7
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# District Officers for 1907.

## DISTRICT NO. 7.

- PRESIDING OFFICER—Frederick Darrah, Jr., Herring Cove.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—Michael Reyno, Herring Cove.  
ROAD MASTERS—Daniel Gorman, Herring Cove; Thomas Brown, Herring Cove; Charles Purcell, Purcell's Cove; James Keefe, Quarries; James Hanrahan, Ferguson's Cove; Thomas Roche, Spryfield.  
CONSTABLES—Henry L. Reno, Solomon Selig, John Keefe.  
HEALTH OFFICER—Richard Purcell.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—John Adams, Neil Sullivan and James Oakley.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—George Pelham.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—James Hanrahan, Jr., John Dempsey, Francis Reno.  
ASSESSORS—Edward Dempsey, Sr., William Conway.  
COLLECTOR—John Adams.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Arch. Power, Charles Oakley, Edward F. Hayes.

## DISTRICT NO.. 8.

- PRESIDING OFFICER—Charles R. Martin, Ketch Harbor.  
ASSESSORS—Bernard Johnson, Bear Cove; James Flaherty, Ketch Harbor.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—Daniel A. Johnson, Habbat Bay.  
COLLECTOR OF COUNTY TAXES—James Power, Portuguese Cove.  
ROAD MASTERS—James Pittipan, Bear Cove; Laurence Myatt, Portuguese Cove; William Halland, Duncan's Cove; Edward Fleming, Ketch Harbor; Hanson Mackay, Ketch Harbor.  
CONSTABLES—Joseph Johnson, Bear Cove; Ernest Purcell, Portuguese Cove; John W. Halland, Duncan's Cove; Francis Fleming, 1st, Ketch Harbor; Daniel Gallagher, Ketch Harbor.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Ferguson O'Neill, Portuguese Cove; Daniel A. Johnson, Halibut Bay; John Wilkie, Ketch Harbor.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—Francis H. Martin, Ketch Harbor; Thomas McNeill, Duncan's Cove; James Power, Portuguese Cove; Bernard Johnson, Bear Cove.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—James Flaherty, Ketch Harbor.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Charles R. Martin, Ketch Harbor; Thomas McNeill, Duncan's Cove; James Pittipan, Bear Cove.

## DISTRICT NO. 9.

- ROAD MASTERS—Wm. Henneberry, Sambro North; John N. Smith, Sambro South; George Finck, Long Cove; Jeremiah Gray, Fawson's Cove; Charles Schnair, East Pennant; Alexander Young, Coot Cove; James H. Smith, Sambro Creek; Charles Rodgers, Ball Rock; William Finck, Sandy Cove.

SUPERVISOR—John N. Smith.

ASSESSORS—George H. Nickerson and Joseph Findlay.

OVERSEERS OF POOR—Daniel Smith, Andrew Twohig, George Schnair.

COLLECTOR COUNTY RATES—Alexander Cook.

BOARD OF HEALTH—Daniel Smith, Andrew Twohig, George Schnair.

SANITARY INSPECTOR—E. T. Hart.

PRESIDING OFFICER—James L. Hart.

CONSTABLES—Edmund Findlay and Andrew Gray.

#### DISTRICT NO. 10.

SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—Joseph Mason.

ASSESSORS—William Merlin, Thomas Beck.

COLLECTOR—Samuel Meehan.

BOARD OF HEALTH—William Smith, George B. Christian, Edward O. Christian, Peter Shea.

OVERSEERS OF POOR—Joseph L. Duggan, Garfield Noonan, Thomas J. Meehan.

CONSTABLES—Elsworth Duggan, Simon L. Meehan.

ROAD MASTERS—Sec. No. 1, Benjamin Buckhannan; Sec. No. 2, William Christian, Johns; Sec. No. 3, James Dorethy; Sec. No. 4, George Mason; Sec. No. 5, Frank Woodling; Sec. No. 6, John Collier; David Hearn, Kelly's Point.

PRESIDING OFFICER—N. T. Christian.

#### DISTRICT NO. 11.

PRESIDING OFFICER—Edward Grono.

COLLECTOR OF RATES—Horatio Isnor.

ASSESSORS—William Garrison, Sidney Isnor.

OVERSEERS OF POOR—Robert Richardson, Horatio Isnor, Edward Grono.

CONSTABLES—Lawson Innis, John H. Garrison, Austin A. Zwicker, Lawson Pace.

HEALTH OFFICERS—Michael Mahar, Enos Leavy, Albert Johnson, James Daubin.

FENCE VIEWERS—James H. Johnson, Cyrus Covey, Elias Johnson, Edward Crooks.

ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, James Ruder, Sr.; Sec. 2, Daniel Boutillier; Sec. 3, Allan Moser; Sec. 4, Elijah Fralick; Sec. 5, Horatio Isnor; Sec. 6, Amos Gorkin; Sec. 7, Geo. A. Garrison; Sec. 8, Elias Johnson; Sec. 9, Daniel Swinehamer.

#### DISTRICT No. 12.

OVERSEERS OF STATUTE LABOUR—Sec. 1, Henry Boutillier; Sec. 1½, Edward Redman; Sec. 2, Robert Houbly; Sec. 3, William Houbly; Sec. 4, Willis Houbly; Sec. 5, Alfred Snair; Sec. 5½, Albert H. Boutillier; Sec. 6, Henry Garrison; Sec. 7, Jeremiah Tannel; Sec. 8, Frederic Longard; Sec. 9, Amous J. Boutillier; Sec. 10, \_\_\_\_\_; Sec. 11, John

Swallow; Sec. 12, Charles Hartling; Sec. 13, Norman C. Boutilier.  
CONSTABLES—William Houbly, William H. Boutilier, Lewis J. Boutilier.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Robert Houbly, Sydney Boutilier, Isaac Harshman.  
LUMBER SURVEYORS—Neil McDonald, Stephen Dauphiny.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—Albert Brine, Harvey Houbly, George Smith, Isaac Dauphiny.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Edmund Deal, Henry Gar.ison, George Smith.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—Abraham Burchell.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—Alvin Houbly.  
ASSESSORS—Isaac Dauphiny, Abraham Burchell.  
COLLECTOR OF COUNTY AND POOR RATES—Stephen Dauphiny.

#### DISTRICT NO. 13.

PRESIDING OFFICER—W. H. Dart.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—George Carmichael.  
ASSESSORS—Robert A. Yeadon, Wm. Umlah.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—Benjamin Brunt, George Brown, Alexander Drysdale, Fred Drysdale.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Fred Drysdale, Richard Bishop, George Umlah.  
FENCE VIEWER—Henry Grouse.  
COLLECTOR OF RATES—Wm. Bishop.  
CONSTABLES—Henry Grouse and Lewis Umlah.  
OVERSEERS OF STATUTE LABOR—Sec. 1, Peter Munroe, Sec. 2, William Locke; Sec. 3, Alex. Drysdale; Sec. 4, Fred Drysdale; Sec. 5, Andrew Westaver; Sec. 6, Charles Christian; Sec. 8, George Umlah; Secs. 7, 9, 10, William Nicholson; Sec. 11, Robert Yeaden.  
COUNCILLOR—W. Bishop.

#### DISTRICT NO. 14.

PRESIDING OFFICER—George Piers.  
ASSESSORS—George Piers, Frederick West.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—G. Piers, E. L. Fenerty and Levi Deal.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—E. L. Fenerty, Jos. McLeave and Joseph Boutilier.  
COLLECTOR OF COUNTY AND POOR RATES—Charles Deal.  
FENCE VIEWER—William Nickerson.  
CONSTABLES—Robert Barry and Levi Deal.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—William Toppie.  
ROAD MASTERS—George Jollimore, Sec. 1, from Dingle Gate to Lawson's Mill Bridge, including Jollimore Settlement, also road to Amos Yeadon's land; Peter Marryat, from Arm Bridge to Dingle Gate, also from Dr. Trenamin's cottage to Macintosh Bridge, also from Macintosh Bridge along Spryfield Road till it comes to Sambro Road; Amos Geizer, from Arm Bridge through Dutch Village to Tannary or Oil Works, including Clark's Hill and Geizer's Hill.  
REVISOR—S. G. Piers. (See April.)

DISTRICT NO. 15.

RETURNING OFFICER—C. S. Davison.  
COLLECTOR—E. H. Haystead.  
ASSESSORS—H. G. DeWolf, John Strachan.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—Dr. Morton, John Strachan. Frank Merchant, J. A. R. Weir.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—J. Douglas Story, E. H. Haystead, C. S. Davison.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Alex. Heffler, Sam. Heffler, John Gritt.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—G. H. MacKenzie.  
CONSTABLES—John Tolson, Alfred Boutilier, Arthur Myers.  
POUND KEEPER—Alf. Boutilier.  
SURVEYOR OF LOGS AND LUMBER—E. H. Haystead.  
REVISOR—M. E. Butler.  
COUNCILLOR—J. A. Ronnan.

DISTRICT NO. 16.

PRESIDING OFFICER—Henry Schmidt.  
ASSESSORS—Frank Thompson and Samuel Anderson.  
COLLECTOR OF RATES—Amos Bezanson.  
ROADMASTERS—Sec. 1, Bernard Thompson, Sec. 2, James Romans; Sec. 3, Stuart Lucas; Sec. 4, Alpheus Smith; Sec. 5, Alfred Jenkins; Sec. 6, Ronzo Haverstock; Sec. 7, Francis Jackson; Sec. 8, John Greene; Sec. 9, Rufus Marsman.  
CONSTABLES—William Burns, Albert David, John Jones.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Fred Schmidt, S. Eisenhauer, James Allison, Sr., J. P.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Chas. Bezanson, James Jones, Martel Bezanson.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—William Haverstock.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—A. E. Haverstock.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—Henry Schmidt, S. Eisenhauer, Frank Thompson, Elijah Wilson.

DISTRICT NO. 17.

COUNCILLOR—John S. Fleming.  
COLLECTOR OF RATES—Gray Schultz.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—James I. Webber.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—Robert Fenerty.  
ROAD MASTERS FOR ROAD SECTIONS No. 2, Charles Barrett; No. 3, Clifford Wier; No. 4, James Mason; No. 5, Manley Maxwell; No. 6, William Willis; No. 7, Gilbert T. Hankey; No. 8, Robert Patton; No. 9, Thomas Dean; Sec. No. 9a, James Woods; No. 10, William Nelson; No. 11, William Stone; No. 12, George Stone; No. 13, Benson Gladwin; No. 15, Theodore Larsen; No. 17, Emmerson Hunt.  
CONSTABLES—George Stone, John Tolson, Arthur Peverill.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Charles Peverill, John Peverill, James Hiltz.  
SURVEYORS OF LOGS AND LUMBER—Nathan Ellis, William Dean, William Nelson.

SANITARY INSPECTOR—Charles Peverill.  
HEALTH WARDENS—S. Morten, George Hiltz, Gilbert T. Hankey, Thos.  
Hamilton.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Arthur Peverill, William Lively, Robert Patton.  
ASSESSORS—Thomas Homilton, William Nelson.

DISTRICT NO. 18.

PRESIDING OFFICER—Alexander Stephen, Fall River.  
ASSESSORS—Frank McPherson, Waverley; William Ashley, Oldham.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—M. D. Goff, Guysboro Road; William Morrison,  
Oldham; Jas. Allen, Waverley.  
SUPERVISOR—A. V. O'Shaughnessy, Oldham.  
CONSTABLES—Thomas Skerry, Geo. Miller, Wm. King, Frank Reeves,  
Edward Whidden, Frank Miller.  
FENCE VIEWERS—John Skerry, Jas. Skerry, Edward Whidden, Robert  
Ledridge.  
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER—Robert Leighton, John McDowell, Edward  
Whidden, Con Blois.  
HEALTH WARDENS, Peter Spriggs, Wm. Morrison, John McDowell, Wm.  
Carroll.  
HEALTH INSPECTOR—Wm. Carroll.  
COLLECTOR OF TAXES—Wm. Kidson.  
KEEPER OF SCALES—Thomas Wilson.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Jas. Skerry; Sec. 2, Nelson Miller; Sec. 3, John  
McDowell; Sec. 4, Edward Whidden; Sec. 5, Abijah Todd; Sec. 6, Andrew  
King; Sec. 7, John Hallond; Sec. 3A, Geo. Miller; Old Coboquid Road,  
Geo. Stone.

DISTRICT NO. 19.

ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Samuel Geddes; Sec. 2, John Isenor; Sec. 3, Fred-  
erick Gordon; Sec. 4, Samford McDonald; Sec. 5, John Fraser; Sec. 6,  
Alexander Kellough; Sec. 7, Edwin Woodworth; Sec. 8, John Jodrey;  
Sec. 9, Sidney Milne; Sec. 10, James McMichael; Sec. 11, Alex. McWill-  
iams; Sec. 12, vacant; Sec. 13, James Wilson; Sec. 14, Lorenzo Wilson;  
Sec. 15, Francis Newman; Sec. 16, Isaac Isenor; Sec. 17, George Fleming;  
Sec. 18, George T. Cook; Sec. 19, John Hines; Sec. 20, David Moore.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—William Blades.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—William Annand, John T. Kerr, Edward Isenor,  
George T. Cook.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—William McGeorge.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—Wilson Madill.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Isaac Isenor, William Annand, Walter Elliot.  
FENCE VIEWERS—John Fraser, George McMichael, William J. Tays.  
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER, ETC.—William Annand, George Cook, Alex-  
ander Woodworth.  
CONSTABLES—Thomas Killen, Oliver Simpson.  
ASSESSORS—William McLeod, Walter Elliot.  
COLLECTOR OF RATES—John Merson.

DISTRICT CLERK—George T. Cook.  
SUPERVISORS OF PUBLIC GROUNDS—Eric E. McDonald, Wilson Madill and Israel Keys.  
TO SWEAR IN DISTRICT OFFICERS—George H. Madill.

DISTRICT NO. 20.

COLLECTOR OF RATES—John McMullin, Postmaster.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—Anderson Dickie.  
ASSESSORS—Joseph Seeton, William Murphy.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—A. B. Say.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—Sidney Dickie, James Seeton, Thomas Grant, Christopher Dillman.  
DISTRICT CLERK—J. D. Bayer.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—R. M. Bayer, Elmer Milne, Charles Kerr.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Richard Dumbrach, Robert Dumbrach, George Dumbrach.  
SURVEYORS OF LUMBER—Charles Grant, F. G. Fuller, Learder Logan.  
SURVEYOR OF LOGS—Daniel Grant, Thomas Grant, William Murphy, John Fleming, Anderson Dickie, Henry Crawford, R. M. Bayer, John Kerr.  
CONSTABLES—Joseph Wilks, Isaac Dillman, Thomas Milelr, John Dillman.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—John Kerr.  
ROAD MASTERS—Ralph Bayer, Elmer Milne, Thomas Rourk, Alfred Dillman, Henry Cole, Joseph Wilks, James McDonald, Henry Woodworth, Wilbert McMullen, Edwin Murphy, Archie McMullen, Samuel McMullen, Edwin Hurtee, William Miller, for Sec. 13-14.

DISTRICT NO. 21.

ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, George S. Dickey, Jr.; Sec. 2, Raymond Fisk; Sec. 3, Charles Logan; Sec. 4, Burton Fox; Sec. 5, Alexander Logan; Sec. 6, Burton Hay; Sec. 7, Alfred Scott; Sec. 8, Samuel Crockett; Sec. 9 and 10, Samuel P. White; Sec. 11, Harry McFetridge; Sec. 12, Chisholm Nelson; Sec. 13, Albert Higgins; Sec. 14, Duncan Higgins; Sec. 15, John O'Connell; Sec. 16, Maurice Kaulbeck; Sec. 17, Lewis Bates; Sec. 18, William Logan; Sec. 19, Joseph Bruce; Sec. 20, Geo. McFetridge; Sec. 21, Wallace Sargent; Sec. 22, Geo. H. Taylor; Sec. 23, Samuel Ervin; Sec. 24, Howard McNutt.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—John A. Guild.  
ASSESSORS—M. H. Guild and Wm. J. McMullen.  
COLLECTOR OF RATES—William Dickey.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—C. H. Morris, M.D., Thomas Bayers, Prescott Holman and Samuel Hanna.  
SURVEYORS OF LOGS, ETC.—John W. Fox, Frank H. Taylor, Geo. McFetridge, Jos. P. Taylor, Alexander Logan.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Wm. McCurdy, Samuel Hanna and J. Geddie Reid.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Alfred Redmond, Robert McCurdy and W. J. Scott.  
CONSTABLES—Alexander Logan, Henry McCurdy, Chas. R. Tupper and George Sargent.

DISTRICT CLERK—Samuel Hanna.  
KEEPER OF SCALES—E. McQuinn.  
SUPERVISORS OF PUBLIC GROUNDS—Robert T. McCurdy, Daniel  
Reid, Arnold Gladwin.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—Prescott Holman.  
PRESIDING OFFICER AND TO OSWEAR IN DISTRICT OFFICERS—  
PRESIDING OFFICER AND TO SWEAR IN DISTRICT OFFICERS—

DISTRICT NO. 21.

PRESIDING OFFICER—Andrew McGregor.  
ASSESSORS—Matthew Higgins, R. Cameron.  
CONSTABLES—Nathan Higgins, Henry Miller, R. Cameron, H. P. Jones,  
Wm. Miller.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Matthew Higgins, A. Logan, Geo. Lawlor.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—H. O. Jones, Geo. Lawlor, R. Miller, H. Miller.  
COLLECTOR—Monson Lindsay.  
ROAD SUPERVISOR—Monson Lindsay.  
ROAD MASTERS—Augustus Lawlor, Reuben Miller.

DISTRICT NO. 22.

PRESIDING OFFICER—Edgar Hill.  
COLLECTOR OF RATES—James Holeman.  
ASSESSORS—Wm. Archibald and Ernest Redmond.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Wm. McGunigle, Edgar Hill, Joe Parker.  
DISTRICT CLERK—John P. Robinson.  
CONSTABLES—Albert Fisher, Brookman Fisher, Everit Dickman, Geo. San-  
ford, George P. Redmond.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—Gordon Farnell, Norman Stewart, John P. Robinson,  
F. W. Henry, Frank A. Reynolds, Wm. Dickman.  
SANITARY INSPECTORS—Dr. Whitman, J. H. Holeman, Neil Archibald,  
Charles McGunigle.  
SURVEYORS OF LOGS AND LUMBER—Ernest Chaplain, Neil Archibald,  
J. H. Holeman, John Burnett, John Redmond, Sr.  
KEEPER OF SCALES—Edgar Hill, J.P.  
COMMITTEE OF PUBLIC GROUNDS AND HIGHWAYS—Neil Archibald,  
M. G. Reid, Frank Fraser.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Orlo Geddis, James Holeman, James Benvie.  
TO SWEAR IN OFFICERS—J. G. Reynolds.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Wm. Hamilton, Sec. 2, Matthew Hamilton; Sec. 3,  
Wm. Leemon; Sec. 4, Ira Dean; Sec. 5, Ernest Redmond; Sec. 6, Henry  
Stewart; Sec. 7, Kidson Henry; Sec. 8, Alexander Henry; Sec. 9, Gordon  
Farnell; Sec. 10, Joseph Parker; Sec. 11, Wm. L. Farnell; Sec. 12, Wm.  
Deady; Sec. 13, John Gault; Sec. 14, George Dean; Sec. 15, John Dick-  
man, Jr.; Sec. 16, James Benvie; Sec. 17, Franklin Kent; Sec. 18, Edwin  
Little; Sec. 19, James Redmond, Sr.; Sec. 20, Wm. Reeden; Sec. 21, Wm.  
J. Miller; Sec. 22, Watson Higgins; Sec. 23, Horton Watson; Sec. 24,  
Wm. Butcher; Sec. 25, Wm. Reynolds; Sec. 26, John Watson; Sec. 27,  
Wm. G. Butcher.

DISTRICT NO. 23.

- ASSESSORS—Alexander Slaunwhite and George Slaunwhite, D.S.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Michael Slaunwhite, William Little, William Blackburn.  
CONSTABLES—George Little, James Jollimore, Charles Ryan.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Absolam Slaunwhite; Sec. 2, Peter Slaunwhite; Sec. 3, Thomas Norris.  
TAX COLLECTOR—Vincent Bartlett.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—Zechariah Jollimore, Emanuel Slaunwhite, Edward Little, Francis Ryan.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Edward Wheatily, Robert J. Slaunwhite, Albert Jollimore.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—Dennis Brophy.  
OVERSEERS OF PUBLIC PROPERTY—Jeremiah Slaunwhite, J.P.; Vincent Norris, Jeremiah M. Slaunwhite, Stephen Slaunwhite.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—Samuel Slaunwhite.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS AND BRIDGES—Joseph Umlah.

DISTRICT NO. 24.

- ASSESSORS—Wm. G. Smith, Wm. Shiers.  
COLLECTOR COUNTY RATES—David H. Moser.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, James McDonald; Sec. 2, Wm. Shrears; Sec. 3, Herbert Bezanson; Sec. 4, Thomas J. Smith; Sec. 5, Edward N. Smith; Sec. 6, Sydney Pye; Sec. 7, Edward Jewers; Sec. 9, George Pace.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS AND BRIDGES—William H. Parlee.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Edwin Moser, Thomas Irvin, William T. Pye.  
CONSTABLES—William Fraser, Thomas J. Smith, Walter W. Smith, Thomas Fancy, Alexander Pye.  
SURVEYORS OF LOGS AND LUMBER—Herbert Bezanson, Andrew Archibald.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Admon Pace, William H. Jewers.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—George H. Mason, Walter W. Smith, Gilbert Naugler.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—Edmund Moser.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—Edward Moser.

DISTRICT NO. 25.

- PRESIDING OFFICER—F. McMillan, M.D.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Thos. H. Hall, O. P. Fraser, Isaac Wambold.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Robert Routledge, John Behie.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Joseph Malay; Sec. 2, Elbridge Lowe; Sec. 3, Henry Verge; Sec. 4, Headly Munroe; Sec. 5, Isaac Wambold; Sec. 6, Patrick Coady; Sec. 7, Roland Grant; Sec. 8, George Grant; Sec. 9, Martin Cruickshanks; Sec. 10, Uriah Boutilier; Sec. 11, Alfred Hubly; Sec. 12, Robert Boutilier.  
CONSTABLES—Wm. Munroe, Headly Munroe, Robert Routledge, Thomas Hall; E. H. Lindsay, John Knight, John Redmond, Norman Bucwanger, Chas. W. Davis.

**SURVEYORS OF LOGS AND LUMBER**—Angus McDonald, Daniel J. Chisholm, James McG. Cruickshanks, Wm. H. McMillian, Edward Quillinan, H. B. Anderson, Michael McEugan, Archibald Hall, John C. Chisholm, Thos. A. Baker, Edward Cruickshanks.  
**BOARD OF HEALTH**—Theodore Conrod, William Tupper, David Steck, Robert Hall, O. P. Fraser.  
**FERRY MEN**—Elbridge Lowe, Sheet Harbor; John Wessell, Sober Island.  
**ASSESSORS**—Edward Quillinan, Samuel Behie.  
**COLLECTOR OF RATES**—Thomas H. Hall.  
**TO SWEAR IN DISTRICT OFFICERS**—David Steck.  
**SUPERVISOR OF ROADS AND BRIDGES**—John Behie.

**DISTRICT NO. 26.**

**PRESIDING OFFICER**—William Ferguson.  
**ASSESSORS**—Charles Murphy, Joseph Mason.  
**OVERSEERS OF POOR**—R. J. Cooper, John J. Mason, John Murphy.  
**BOARD OF HEALTH**—Dr. Murray, Robert J. Mason, John C. Hilchey, Samuel Henley.  
**SANITARY INSPECTOR**—James P. Miller.  
**FERRYMEN**—William Tracey, Edward Hennebury.  
**CONSTABLES**—William Henley, Jr., Leander Josey, William Butler, David Mason, John R. Beaver, Charles DeWolfe, Arthur Jackson.  
**SURVEYORS OF LUMBER, ETC.**—W. A. Prest, Albert White, Wm. Ferguson, Levi Hilchey, Robt. Conrod, Addington Prest.  
**SUPERVISOR OF ROADS**—I. J. Leslie.  
**ROAD MASTERS**—Sec. 1, Alexander McCarthy, Jr.; Sec. 2, Henry Boutilier; Sec. 3, Frank Boutilier; Sec. 4, Alfred Htnley; Sec. 5, Robert Day; Sec. 6, Andrew Mason; Sec. 7, Mark Jennings; Sec. 8, Alexander W. Glawson; Sec. 9, James Cameron; Sec. 10, Lewis Murphy; Sec. 11, Frank Martin; Sec. 12, Edward Russell; Sec. 13, Edward Hennebury; Sec. 14, Archibald Prest; Sec. 15, Wm. Cameron; Sec. 16, Isaac Prest; Sec. 17, Wm. Hawes, Jr.; Sec. 18, Wm. Henley, Jr.; Sec. 19, Thomas Hilchey.

**DISTRICT NO. 27.**

**PRESIDING OFFICER**—Peter N. Maskell, J.P.  
**OVERSEERS OF POOR**—Wm. J. Myers, William Eisen, Ebenezer Homans.  
**CONSTABLES**—Amos Webber, John W. Webber, John M. Marks, Henry Stoddard.  
**FENCE VIEWERS**—James Arnold, Edward Warnell, Edwin Homans, Albert Shelnut.  
**BOARD OF HEALTH**—Geo. A. Jameson, M.D., Walter Stoddard, J.P., Albert Warnell, Joseph Parker.  
**SANITARY INSPECTOR**—Peter Myers, West Head.  
**ASSESSORS**—Walter Stoddard, Nathaniel Dooks, Jr.  
**COLLECTOR OF COUNTY POOR RATES**—John O. Siteman.  
**SURVEYORS OF LUMBER AND LOGS**—Amos Webber, Charles D. Myers, John M. Marks, William D. Mitchell.  
**Supervisor of Roads**—Hudson Webber.

ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 8, Stephen Harprell; Sec. 9, Peter W. Maskell; Sec. 10, Joseph Dooks; Sec. 11, Isaac Blakney; Sec. 12, Colin J. Myers; Sec. 13, Henry Day; Sec. 14, Reuben H. Webber; Sec. 15, Stephen Jenex; Sec. 16, James Foley; Sec. 17, Nelson Baker; Sec. 18, Edward Arnold; Sec. 19, William Webber, Sr.; Sec. 20, Howard Webber; Sec. 21, Manuel Webber, Jr.; Sec. 22, Robert Cook; Sec. 23, Edwin Homans; Sec. 24, James Stevens; Sec. 25, Seymore Blaxland; Sec. 26, Joseph Debay; Sec. 27, William Eisen; Sec. 28, Reuben Eisen; Sec. 29, James L. Marks; Sec. 30, Alexander McKay.

DISTRICT NO. 28.

ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Simon Gaetz; Sec. 2, Andrew Graham; Sec. 3, Gilbert Gaetz; Sec. 4, Thomas Gillis; Sec. 5, Alfred Niforth; Sec. 6, Reuben Niforth; Sec. 7, Daniel Bonin; Sec. 8, Thomas Lapierre; Sec. 9, Simon Conrod; Sec. 10, William Bellefontaine; Sec. 11, Frank Romoe; Sec. 12, Barnard Myette; Sec. 13, Andrew Romoe; Sec. 14, Ephrem Lapierre; Sec. 15, Joseph Myette; Sec. 16, John Mannate; Sec. 17, William Bonin.

SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—Denis Myette.

ASSESSORS—Henry Mannate, Daniel Niforth.

OVERSEERS OF POOR—George Murphy, Michael Romoe, James T. Gaetz.

FENCE VIEWERS—Denis Myette, Joseph Myette, Daniel Bonin.

CONSTABLES—Francis Romoe, Angus Gaetz, Felix Lapierre, Able Bellefontaine.

COLLECTOR OF COUNTY RATES—Stephen Lapierre.

CUSTODIAN OF CANTERBURY BRIDGE—Ephrem Myette.

BOARD OF HEALTH—William Lapierre, William Bonin, Ephrem Myette, Martin Julin.

PRESIDING OFFICER—Simon Lapierre.

DISTRICT NO. 29.

COUNCILLOR—W. D. Conrod.

PRESIDING OFFICER—Colin Hiltz.

ASSESSORS—Albert Leslie, Charles R. Conrod.

COLLECTOR OF RATES—Jasper McDonald.

ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, William Shaw; Sec. 2, Isaac Sellers; Sec. 3, John Shaw; Sec. 4, James Goldworthy; Sec. 5, Reuben Crowell; Sec. 6, Sidney Crowell; Sec. 7, George Lloy; Sec. 8, Edmund Conrod; Sec. 9, Henry Merson.

CONSTABLES—William G. Conrod, Melvin Leslie, Allison Lapierre.

BOARD OF HEALTH—Arthur Sellers, Amos Misener, Norman Hiltz, William Robinson.

HEALTH INSPECTOR—George Patterson.

OVERSEERS OF POOR—Henry Merson, Jasper McDonald, Isaac Sellers.

SUPERVISOR—Freeman Sellers.

FENCE VIEWERS—Edmund Conrod, Daniel Murphy, Angus Sellers.

CUSTODIAN R. RUN BRIDGE—Percy Russell.

LUMBER SURVEYOR—James Morash.

DISTRICT NO. 30.

COUNCILLOR—J. M. Thomas.  
ASSESSORS—John Wiseman and George Diggs.  
COLLECTOR OF POOR AND COUNTY RATES—John Ewing, Sr.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—James A. Thomas.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—John Wiseman, John Ewing, Sr., and David Smith.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—Joseph Provor, Samson Carter, James Gordon and Peter Downey.  
HEALTH INSPECTOR—William Saunders.  
CONSTABLES—William Saunders, Jos. Thomas, Joseph Turner, David Downey, George Carvery, George Bishop and Daniel Downey.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Richard Saunders, Ernest Evans and John Slawter.  
SUPERVISORS OF PUBLIC GROUNDS—Peter Clayton, George Slawter and Antony Deloughy.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS—James A. Thomas.  
KEEPER OF DRAW BRIDGE, PORTER'S LAKE—Stuart A. Innis.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Peter Clayton; Sec. 2, Benj. Evans; Sec. 3, Stuart A. Innis; Sec. 4, Freman Brown; Sec. 5, Antony Deloughy; Sec. 6, John Wiseman; Sec. 7, Geo. Carvery; Sec. 8, Shad Ross; Sec. 9, Joseph Thomas; Sec. 10, Peter Williams; Sec. 11 and 12, David Downey; Sec. 13, Daniel Clayton.

DISTRICT NO. 31.

COUNCILLOR—S. W. Lydiard.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—Wallace W. Peveril.  
ASSESSORS—Alexander Innes, Maynard Tulloch.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Robert Settle, Sr., C. F. Lydiard, Robert Turner.  
HEALTH BOARD—Thomas Harrison, William Eisner, Frederick W. Cooper, Gavin Grant.  
HEALTH INSPECTOR—R. F. Grant.  
CONSTABLES—William Lawlor, Isaiah Doyle, James Harrison, John McDonald.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Joseph Bowes, Frank W. Settle, Frank Boutilier.  
SURVEYORS OF LOGS AND LUMBER—Reuben Ernst, Webster Eisner, R. Forrest Grant.  
SWEARING DISTRICT OFFICERS—S. W. Lydiard, J.P., Wm. McKenzie, J.P.  
SUPERVISORS OF PUBLIC GROUNDS—Henry Baker, W. W. Peveril, Alexander Innes.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, \_\_\_\_\_; Sec. 2, Andrew Barry; Sec. 3, Walter Boutilier; Sec. 4, Charles Lethbridge; Sec. 5, \_\_\_\_\_; Sec. 6, Thomas Bell; Sec. 7, William McKenzie; Sec. 8, Geo. Montague; Sec. 9, F. W. Cooper, Sr.; Sec. 10, John Bundy; Sec. 11, Robt. Bainbridge; Sec. 12, Alexander Farquharson; Sec. 13, Justin Morrash; Sec. 14, \_\_\_\_\_; Sec. 15, Byron Tulloch; Sec. 16, Newton Kuhn;

Sec. 17, Thomas Ritchie; Sec. 18, Arthur Brennan; Sec. 19, Webster Eisner; Sec. 20, Enos Whynock; Sec. 21, John Hartlan; Sec. 22, Charles Lawlor; Sec. 23, Albert Conrod; Sec. 24, Charles Drummond; Sec. 25A, John H. Strum; Sec. 25B, Edward Keilor.

**SUPERVISOR OF ROADS**—Edward Morash.

#### DISTRICT NO. 32.

**COUNCILLOR**—Chas. C. McLean.

**ASSESSORS**—John Gibbons, Esq., Joseph H. Shankel.

**PRESIDING OFFICER**—William Kennedy, North Shore.

**COLLECTOR OF COUNTY AND POOR RATES**—James E. Conrad.

**OVERSEERS OF POOR**—John Gibbons, Esq., Henry Conrad and Charles Johnson.

**ROAD MASTERS**—Sec. 1, Fred. Dunlop; Sec. 2, Wm. J. Boutilier; Sec. 2½, James Kennedy, Jr.; Sec. 3, Edmund Colp; Sec. 4, Thos. C. Kennedy; Sec. 5, Davis Jollymore; Sec. 6, Alfred Jodera; Mason's Point, Augustus Hartling; Boutilier's Point, Simeon Boutilier; Conrad's Road, Jacob Conrod; Schwartz Road, Francis Schwartz; East Side Hubbard's Cove, Washington Harnish.

**CONSTABLES**—Alex. Conrad, Arthur Gibbons, Thos. C. Kennedy, Levi Dauphinee, Lambert Conrad, James E. Conrad.

**SANITARY INSPECTOR**—Wm. Kennedy, North Shore.

**BOARD OF HEALTH**—H. L. Silver, Abel Boutilier, Amos Schwartz, E. B. Norwood, M.D.

**SUPERVISOR OF ROADS**—Wm. Kennedy, North Shore.

**FENCE VIEWERS**—Ronald McEachran, George Brigley, Francis Schwartz.

**SURVEYORS OF LOGS AND LUMBER**—S. W. Shankel, Jos. H. Shankel, Gifford Harnish, John Gibbons, Esq., Wm. Dauphinee, Esq., John Bowman, Alister Dorey, Richmond Dorey, Robert Schnare, John Moran.

#### DISTRICT NO. 33.

**PRESIDING OFFICER**—Daniel A. Moser.

**COLLECTOR**—Provo Horne.

**ROAD MASTERS**—Sec. 1, Roderick McDonald; Sec. 2, George Himelman; Sec. 3, Wm. Himelman; Sec. 4, Edward DeYoung; Sec. 5, William Clarke; Sec. 6, Alfred Moser; Sec. 7, Joseph Osborne; Sec. 8, James Murray; Sec. 9, Benjamin Hines.

**COMMISSIONERS OF POOR**—James Moser, Provo Horne, Wm. DeYoung.

**ASSESSORS**—Allan Horne, Solomon Crowell.

**SANITARY INSPECTOR**—Edward Trider.

**BOARD OF HEALTH**—John E. Horne, John DeYoung, Sr., Ernest Neiforth, Henry Conrod, Benjamin Henneberry.

**FENCE VIEWERS**—Andrew Conrod, George Horne, Robert Thompson.

**CONSTABLES**—John E. Horne, Jeremiah Blank, George Conrod, George Williams, George F. Bowes.

#### DISTRICT NO. 34

**PRESIDING OFFICER**—John P. Hogan.

COLLECTOR OF COUNTY RATES—Leonard Whitman.

ASSESSORS—J. T. Warren, L. Whitman.

SUPERVISOR—H. M. Smiley.

ROAD MASTERS—Section 1, Andrew Brenton; Section 2, Leonard Jewers;  
Sec. 3, J. E. Hartling; Section 4, J. P. Balcom; Section 5, E. Ba.khouse;  
Section 6, C. Dorr; Section 7a, D. A. Furlong; Section 7b, A. Gammon;  
Section 8, Thomas Hartling; Section 9, J. Kirker; Section 10, W. S.  
Atkins.

CONSTABLES—Charles Shiers, A. Gammon, H. B. StClair, Wallace Smiley,  
Lorne Cameron.

FENCE VIEWERS—John Hartling, Albert Hartling, Wm. Wessell, Sr.,  
F. Shiers.

BOARD OF HEALTH—Theo. Smith, E. G. Whitman, E. S. Smiley.

SANITARY INSPECTOR—E. W. Dunlop, M. D.

SURVEYORS OF LOGS, WOOD AND LUMBER—R. Routledge, I. W.  
Smiley.

OVERSEERS OF POOR—C. P. Smiley, J. S. Jewers, Jos. Hartling.

TO SWEAR IN DISTRICT OFFICERS—T. O'Leary, J. P.

#### DISTRICT NO. 35.

COUNCILIOR—A. W. Gladwin.

5, Morton McMullen; Section 6, Harvey Cole; Section 7, Chas. Hurley;  
OVERSEERS OF STATUTE LABOR—Section 1, Arthur Killen, Section 2,  
Allen Ogilvie; Section 3, Edgar Burges; Section 4, Hiram Scott; Section  
Section 8, John Reid.

CONSTABLES—Arthur Cruikshank, Chas. Hurley, Joseph Grant.

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER, LOGS AND WOOD—William Rhind, Cum-  
ming Holman, Cameron McMullen.

OVERSEERS OF POOR—Edward Cruikshank, John Ogilvie, Edward  
Howe.

ASSESSORS OF RATES—Edward Howe, Prescott Dean.

FENCE VIEWERS—Clifford Rhind, Francis King, Henry Grant.

SUPERVISOR OF ROADS AND BRIDGES—John Ogilvie.

COLLECTOR OF RATES—Cameron McMullen.

BOARD OF HEALTH—Chas. Ogilvie, Robt. Ogilvie, Joseph Grant, Harvey  
Cole.

DISTRICT CLERK—Roy Burris.

SANITARY INSPECTOR—I. R. Chute, M. D.

POUND KEEPER—Cumming Holman.

PRESIDING OFFICER—Henry Cruikshank.

#### DISTRICT NO. 36.

ASSESSORS—James Keizer and Levi Conrod, (Son of John).

REVISOR—Dennis Smith.

COLLECTOR OF POOR AND COUNTY RATES—William Braden.

ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Louis Brough; Sec. 2, William Anderson; Sec. 3,  
Jacob Conrod; Sec. 4, Joseph Gaetz; Sec. 5, William Dunphy; Sec. 6,  
Thomas Smith; Sec. 7, Denis Smith; Sec. 8, Alfred Roast; Sec. 9, George  
Conrod; Sec. 10, Gibson Conrod; Sec. 11, William Dellehunt.

CONSTABLES—Howard Keizer, Edward Conrod, James Owens.  
THE PLACE OF BOOTH ON ELECTION DAY—James Keizer.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Simeon Conrod, William Crowfar, Andrew Conrod.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—Dr. Forest Hill, Andrew Gaetz, George Conrod,  
James Owens.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Simeon Gaetz, James Crawford, Daniel Meisner.  
MEASURER OF CORD WOOD—Wallace Dukeshire.  
SUPERVISOR OF LOGS AND LUMBER—Peter Conrod.  
KEEPER PORTER'S LAKE DRAW BRIDGE—A. Stewart Innes.  
FOR SUPERVISOR—John Gatez.

DISTRICT NO. 37.

COUNCILLOR—S. Sutherland.  
RETURNING OFFICER—Alex. McInnes.  
ASSESSORS—R. J. Stevens, Samuel Gaetz.  
COLLECTOR—Geo. M. L. Guild.  
SURVEYORS OF LOGS AND LUMBER—Amos Gould, Carence Currie.  
SUPERVISOR OF ROADS AND BRIDGES—Alex. McInnes.  
BOARD OF HEALTH—W. J. Kennedy, M.D., Geo. S. Gaetz, Wesley Retcey,  
Dennis Williams.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Geo. Smith, Geo. Gilbert, Geo. Stevens.  
CONSTABLES—John Killen, Wm. Usher, Albert Slaughenwhite.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Herbert Greenough, I. M. Bayer, David Williams.  
REVISOR OF ELECTRICAL LISTS—Thomas Faulkner.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Abner Gaetz; Sec. 2, W. G. Bayer; Sec. 3, Benj.  
Elliott; Sec. 4, Wm. Bayer, son of James; Sec. 5, Thomas Young; Sec. 6,  
Wm. Conrod; Sec. 7, Wm. Greenough; Sec. 8, David Thomson; Sec. 9,  
void; Sec. 10, Thomas Gaetz; Sec. 11, Thomas Faulkner; Sec. 12, James  
Smith, Sr.; Sec. 13, Thomas Grant; Sec. 14, Dennis Williams; Sec. 15,  
Stanford Williams; Sec. 16, John Hawkins.

DISTRICT NO. 38.

COUNCILLOR—Geo. H. Longard, Bayside.  
ASSESSORS—Noah Fader, Jr., Bayside; Irving Fader, East Dover.  
REVISOR—James A. Coolen, East Dover.  
SUPERVISOR—Geo. H. Fader, Bayside.  
ROAD MASTERS—Sec. 1, Charles H. Coolen, Bayside; Sec. 2, Percy Mc-  
Grath, McGrath's Cove; Sec. 3, Laurence Coolen, East Dover; Sec. 4,  
Raymond Beck, East Dover; Sec. 5, Albert Laent, West Dover; Sec. 6,  
Isaiah W. Cleveland, West Dover; Sec. 7, Lindsay Morash, West Dover.  
OVERSEERS OF POOR—Noah Morash, Noah Fader, Mitchell Morash.  
CONSTABLES—Harvey Zinck, West Dover; Enoch Harnish, East Dover;  
Joseph Keddy, East Dover.  
HEALTH OFFICERS—Norman Fader, Bayside; Michael Connors, East  
Dover; William Cleveland, West Dover.  
SANITARY INSPECTOR—James Morash, J.P., West Dover.  
PRESIDING OFFICER—Irving W. Fader, East Dover.  
FENCE VIEWERS—Noah E. Zinck, Bayside; Abraham Cleveland, West  
Dover; James Noonan, East Dover.  
COLLECTOR OF RATES—David S. McGrath, McGrath's Cove.

The Municipality of Halifax County in account with  
the County Treasurer for the year ending  
Dec. 31st, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from acct. Dec. 31, 1905 .....		\$ 3883 07
Assessments received :—		
City of Halifax .....		10671 34
Town of Dartmouth .....		852 71
County Districts Account 1906 .....	\$ 24679 97	
"    "    1905.....	1151 11	
"    "    1904, 03, 02, &c .....	237 50	
		<hr/> 26068 58
County Jail per W. L. Malcom for board, &c, .....		232 50
County Poor Farm, per J. M. Henneberry, sale of produce, &c.....		88 59
Received on account, district paupers, &c.....		1990 02
Inspector of Licenses—Liquor Fines .....	1162 30	
Balance License Fees 1906 .....	880 00	
Deposits, & applications 1907.....	80 00	
		<hr/> 2122 30
Stipendiary Magistrate—Fees of Office .....	225 05	
Fines Criminal cases .....	96 00	
		<hr/> 321 05
Fines per Clerk of Crown. \$21.25; 3 County Seals \$3.50 .....		24 75
Clerk of Licenses—14 Pedlars Licenses.....	245 00	
Fines re Pedlars Account .....	26 00	
4 Ferry Licenses.....	4 00	
		<hr/> 275 00
Interest deposit receipts Sinking Fund Loan 1899.....		152 93
Advances on account poor, returned.....		23 50
Refund—Bounty on 1 bear snout.....		4 00
Insane Paupers—Received on account.....		422 70
Interest on accounts in Union Bank .....		125 26
Government Road and Bridge Grant 1906 .....		7759 77
Municipal School Fund per Town of Dartmouth .....		8221 93
		<hr/> \$ 63240 00
"E. & O. E."		
Dec. 31. Balance at credit of County .....		\$ 4303 68
Halifax, N. S., Dec. 31, 1906.		

PARKER ARCHIBALD,  
County Treasurer, Municipality of Halifax County, N. S.

EXPENDITURE.

County Court House—Current expenses.....	\$ 2058 56	
Interest on loan of 1899 .....	280 00	
" " " " 1903 .....	800 00	
Sinking Fund loan of 1899.....	736 84	
" " " " 1903.....	1518 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 5393 40
County Jail—Current expenses .....		2675 77
County Poor Farm—Current expenses .....	5164 45	
Debentures and Interest .....	525 00	
	<hr/>	5689 45
Judicial Accounts—Grand and Petit Jury.....	1172 53	
Criminal Prosecutions, \$212.62; 3Sheriff's accounts \$1195.91 .....	3321 53	
Criers Supreme Court \$800.00; Crier County Court \$475.00.....	1275 00	
Clerk of Crown \$708.90; Printing and Station- ery \$518 83 .....	1227 73	
Stipendiary Magistrate \$1050.00; Constables \$483.36 .....	1533 36	
	<hr/>	8530 15
County Clerk \$1200.00; County Treasurer \$1000.00.....		2200 00
Warden and County Councillors \$1357.80; Auditors \$50.00 .....		1407 80
Coroner's Inquests \$118.40; Assessors \$638.50 .....		756 90
Collectors \$1319.53; Bounties \$1018.00 .....		2337 53
Draw Bridges \$55.00; Revisors Jury Lists \$33.10.....		88 10
Revisor's Electoral Lists \$207.90; Board of Health \$5.50.....		213 40
Medical Certificates \$101.00; Legal Expenses \$318.99.....		419 99
Postages and Telegrams \$90 00; Board of Appeal \$42.90.....		132 90
Juvenile Offenders \$60.00; Contingencies \$44.00.....		104 00
Inspector of Licenses \$1185.50; Clerk of Licenses \$50.00 .....		1235 50
Inspector of Pedlars Licenses \$100.00 · Fines collected and paid to Inspector \$26.00 .....		126 00
Stipendiary Magistrate, expenses to Country \$100.00; Advances on account of Poor, &c, \$231.47 .....		331 47
Repairs to Road Machine \$105.88; Halifax Dispensary 3 years \$75.00 .....		180 88
Pay Rolls, Special Committees .....		198 90
Paid measuring roads \$57.31; Interest on road overdrafts \$19.45 .....		76 76
Advanced District No. 35 for pound .....		11 54
1 Debenture and Interest—Halifax and South Western Railway .....		1175 00
Hospital for Insane \$4053.31; Road Grants \$7688.49.....		11941 80
School Grants.....		13909 08
By Balance :		
In Union Bank—General Account .....	3919 33	
Road Account.....	294 20	
Cash on hand .....	90 15	
	<hr/>	4303 68
		\$ 63240 00

**MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS**

**OF THE COUNCIL**

OF THE

**MUNICIPALITY**

OF

**HALIFAX COUNTY**

**APRIL SESSION**

**1907.**

MUNICIPALITY OF HALIFAX COUNTY.

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APRIL SESSION.

OF THE THIRD ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

FIFTEENTH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

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Wednesday Morning—April 3rd.

The Council met at 12 o'clock. Absentees, Councillors Ronnan, Milne, Balcom and Darragh.

The Minutes of last session were read and adopted.

His Honor the Warden then read the following address:—

(ADDRESS.)

To the Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax:—

GENTLEMEN—Permit to extend a cordial welcome to you at the commencement of this, the last session of the present Council.

Since in meeting in January, there has transpired very little of importance directly affecting this Municipality. At the present session of the Legislature I caused an Act to be introduced, authorizing the payment by the Treasurer, out of the balance in his hands on December 31st last, of the sum of \$950, the price of the land acquired for the purposes for the Poor Farm at Cole Harbor.

The Municipal Reform Association met at the Court House on the 27th and 28th of February last. As the Councillors know, this organization is composed of representatives from the Municipal Councils within the Province, and for the purpose of the association is to discuss matters affecting the welfare of these corporations, and to devise measures that will tend to facilitate the carrying out of the object which have to be dealt with by the Municipalities.

As a result of the deliberations of the association, a committee was appointed to appear before the Government and submit for consideration, certain proposed changes in the law. A report in detail will be submitted to you during the present session.

Doubtless each of you will be called upon by your constituents to give an account of your stewardship during the term drawing to a close. You will be able to point to your record of the three years in which you will have held office, with satisfaction. It can be said without fear of successful contradiction, that the in-

terests of the Municipality which have been committed to your care, have been safe-guarded, and that while providing adequately for the different objects within the control of the Municipality, yet the desire to exercise the greatest economy, and protect the interests of your constituents, has ever governed your actions. Indeed, when we consider the increase in expenditure in regard to matters over which we have as a Council no control, it is surprising that our assessment has remained so low.

Will you permit me to call your attention to some of those services? Three years ago, when you assumed office, the bounty on wild cats paid by the treasurer amounted to less than \$300; last year he paid out for bounties over \$1,000. Considering that so many of our constituents are interested in sheep-farming, and how important it is that adequate protection should be given to the farmer, can anyone seriously object to this Council giving a bounty for the destruction of the wild animals mentioned? Many of our farmers have ceased to keep sheep on account of so many being killed by wild cats. And let me remind you that while the amount mentioned was paid last year, still the bounty is only one-half or less than that paid by some other Municipalities.

It must be a matter for the utmost regret to learn that the number of the insane of the Nova Scotia Hospital has increased to that extent that we paid for the care of the unfortunates there last year nearly \$4,000, as compared with about \$3,000 three years ago. The law requires us to pay a certain amount yearly for each inmate belonging to the Municipality, and therefore we have no control over this expenditure.

But apart from the requirements of the law, I trust there is not a ratepayer who would say that there has been any extravagance in caring for those unfortunate persons deprived of their reason.

I also wish to draw your attention to the expenditure in regard to the Poor Farm at Cole Harbor. Three years ago it was found to be absolutely necessary, that additional buildings be constructed to accommodate the increasing number of inmates, and without undue delay the same were provided. The Council decided that the cost, \$1,500, should be paid in three years, and I am pleased to be able to inform you that the whole amount has been paid.

At the last meeting of the Council, it was recommended that at the Ware property, adjoining the Poor Farm, be purchased for the sum of \$950, on account of the timber and fire wood on it, besides the buildings thereon which might prove of service in operating the Farm. Practical farmers from this Council were sent to view the Ware land, and so strongly of the opinion were two members of the committee appointed as to the value of the property that they intimated their intention to buy the same as a private speculation should the Municipality refuse the offer. The Council unanimously decided to purchase, and I have no hesitation in saying that the action of the Councillors must commend itself to every intelligent, fair-minded man.

With regard to the current expenses of the farm, I wish to say that the increased expenditure is due to an increase of inmates, and also in the number of harmless insane who are kept at the Farm at a much less expense than if they were inmates of the Nova Scotia Hospital.

Every effort is made to conduct the affairs of this institution with the least expenditure of money consistent with the needs of those who have been compelled to seek shelter there from whatever cause.

It must also be remembered that the Municipality has during the past three years raised \$3,000 of the \$5,000 which it was pledged to contribute towards the right of way of the Halifax and South Western Railway. In two years the whole amount of the indebtedness will be paid. Had the interests of the Municipality not been properly protected, we would now be in the unfortunate position of the Municipalities through which the railway runs, and find ourselves burdened with an indebtedness which would take many years to discharge.

I would like to note that, notwithstanding the extra expenditure, the rate of taxation is considerably lower than when you were elected to office. The rate was \$1.13 on each \$100; in 1905, 99 cents, in 1906, and this year the rate will not exceed one dollar.

I beg to inform you that an effort is being made to have the limits of the Town of Dartmouth extended to south of the Sugar Refinery; that is to deprive the Municipality of a valuable portion of land from which taxes are now derived.

Need I say that if this scheme succeeds, we would lose one-tenth of our revenue, and a great injustice be done to the Municipality? Special attention will be directed to this matter during the present session.

I cannot close without thanking the Councillors for the cordial support extended to me during the time I have been Warden. It has ever been my earnest endeavor to advance the interest of the Municipality within which I was born, and after so long a period as a Councillor it is gratifying to know that my efforts, however small, have contributed to that end. Some of the Councillors will not offer for re-election, I understand; some of the old faces will be found in the new council, but it is certain that some will never again occupy the position of Councillor. Time brings its changes, and sooner or later we must all pass off the stage of life and leave it to others. I have formed many friendships in the council which will continue as long as life lasts.

Permit me to express the hope that you may all enjoy many years of happiness, and that to each of you the evening of life may prove the very best.

Councillor Croncher thanked the council for the resolution passed at the January session congratulating him on the 50th anniversary of his wedding.

The Clerk called the attention of the council to bills now before the Legislature affecting the county.

The Warden and Councillor Bishop discussed the bill relating to land damages on the Halifax and South Western Railway, and thought the council was not treated fairly in not having received notice of these measures.

On motion the council adjourned until 2.30.

### Wednesday Afternoon.

The council met at 3 o'clock. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The following resolution was moved by Councillor Conrod and Moren, "That the Warden appoint a committee to wait on the Committee on Bills to-morrow morning at ten o'clock regarding the claim for damages on the South Western Railway." Passed.

The warden appointed Councillors Bishop, Taylor, Negus and the Stipendiary.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Gladwin:

"That whenever any changes in the Laws of the Province of Nova Scotia are before the House of Assembly, that will effect the County of Halifax, the Clerk of the House be instructed to either notify the Warden of the County or the County Clerk as to the nature of such changes and date, coming before committee of the House.

And further resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Government at the earliest opportunity."

Councillor Bishop spoke strongly in favor of the motion, while Councillor Leslie thought it vague. Councillor Croncher thought the motion would help fill the waste paper basket.

Councillor Negus interrupted the discussion by asking if the Public Property Committee could visit the Poor Farm to-morrow.

Councillor Taylor made an able address on the South Shore Railway question claiming that the stand taken by the county was right and urging that the council stand by their guns. He thought the men elected to represent the county should be held responsible and notify the county of bills effecting it.

Councillor Archibald supported Councillor Taylor's view and thought that the members of the council and not the clerk, should notify the county. Councillor Conrod concurred in this.

Councillor Longard opposed the amendment, he thought it was impossible to hold the members responsible.

Moved as amendment by Councillor Archibald and seconded by Councillor Conrad, that we ask our members who represent our County, to notify the Council when any legislation comes up before the Legislature, which effects us as a County which our requests have been neglected in the past. Passed.

Councillor Leslie then moved that the matter be left over until to-morrow morning. This was not seconded. The amendment was then put and carried. The following communication from the Grand Jury was read.

#### GRAND JURY REPORT.

Halifax, N. S., March 26th, 1907.

In reference to your Lordship's suggestion that the Grand Jury inspect the County Court House; having done so we do now report that the interior of the building was very dirty and in a most discreditable condition; the Court Rooms appear not to have been painted or done up in any way for years, consequently are a disgrace to the City and County of Halifax. The entire building sadly needs renovating.

There is no provision in the building for females who, when attending Court as witnesses or otherwise, and at times are kept there the whole day, not being allowed out of the building, have no privacy, but are compelled to use the men's closets; a more undesirable conditions in the interests of morality and decency could hardly exist.

We suggest that the support to the library floor be inspected, for with the growing weight of books year by year the floor has become quite shaky and in places the joice crack when persons are moving about the room.

The roof of the building leaks and should be repaired.

We strongly commend to the attention of the Warden and County Councillars or those in whose charge the Court House is, these matters above referred to and would strongly urge that they, in view of their great importance, receive prompt and effective attention.

W. A. BLACK,  
Foreman.

Councillor Lydiard moved that it be referred to the Court House Commissioners, seconded by Councillor Gladwin. Passed.

On motion the council adjourned until 10.30 a. m. to-morrow.

#### Thursday Morning—April 4th.

The Council met at 11 o'clock. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Councillor Johnston stated that a constable in District No. 8 refused to serve. Councillor Johnston wanted to know if he could be compelled to. The Warden thought he could, unless he had already served three years.

Councillor Bishop reported that the Committee on Legislation had met the Committee on Bills and the Legislature in regard to the land damages on the Halifax & S. W. Railway, and that they were assured the County would not have to pay any more.

A petition for a new road in District 38 was read. Councillor Longard explained that the road was necessary and the district would bear the expense.

Councillors Longard and Power moved that the prayer of the petitioners in reference to the laying out of road in District 38 be granted and that Thomas Coolen and John McGrath be appointed to lay out the same. Passed.

The Clerk read a letter from the Deputy Provincial Secretary, acknowledging receipt of the resolution passed by this Council at the January session, favoring registration of births, deaths and marriages, in Nova Scotia.

The Clerk also informed the Council that he had been informed that the Govern-

ment could not give any information as to when the estimates for the current fiscal year would be brought down.

The Warden suggested that a certain sum should be taken as the road grant and the allotment made on that basis. Should the amount be larger the additional amount could be provided pro rata.

Councillor Conrod spoke strongly in favor of more money for roads. Councillor Covey thought the Government was giving all they could.

Councillor Bishop said the roads were not getting their share of the growing revenue of the Province. Councillor Conrod would favor putting up the rate so as to get better roads. Considerable discussion followed about what should be done with the road grant. Councillors Covey and Leslie moved that the matter be left in the hands of the Road and Bridge Committee to divide the grant. Councillors Fleming and Bishop thought the Council should meet again, after the grant had been received. Councillor McLean thought the Warden's idea a good one. Councillor Leslie thought the Road and Bridge Committee should do the work. Councillor Bishop was afraid the committee would be criticized, as the committee last year had been.

Councillor Archibald spoke at some length on the road grant of last year; he was not satisfied with the work of the committee. Councillor Hall defended the committee and thought it was divided as equally as possible.

Councillor Longard wanted to know on what basis the grant would be distributed.

Councillor Lyiard showed that his district, No. 31, with 66 miles, had received no more than other districts with only fifteen miles of road. He did not think it was a fair division. Councillor Taylor defended the work of the committee. He said they worked on a system, and the committee tried to do justice to everybody.

Councillors Johnston, Covey and Moren.

On motion the Council adjourned until 2.30 p. m.

### Thursday Afternoon.

The council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Councillors Flemming and Lyiard moved that the road grant question be deferred until there is a full council. Passed.

Charles Lynch was appointed road master for section No. 7, Dist. 38, on motion of councillors Longard and Power.

Councillors Gladwin and Milne moved that the clerk ask the Provincial Government to pay \$90 as second instalment for road machine purchased by district 35 in 1905 that being the condition the machine was bought under. Passed.

Moved by councillors Johnston and Longard that the sum of \$15 be assessed on district No. 8 for ensuing year for the support of poor.

Zachariah Jollimore was appointed presiding officer in district No. 23 in place of Dennis Brophy on motion of councillors Slaughenwhite and Reyno.

G. W. Siteman was appointed collecting rates for district 27 in place of J. O. Siteman.

Charles Merlin was appointed road master of section No 7 district 13 in place of W. Nicholson

Malcolm Coady was appointed surveyor of logs and lumher for 1907, district 25.

Arthur Fenerty was appointed road master for section 4 in place of James Moser in District No. 17.

David Blakeney was appointed road master for District 27 in place of Stephen Horpel.

On motion of Councillors Balcom and Leslie W. Dunlap and H. J. Balcom were added to the Board of Health for District No. 34.

A. F. Smith was added to the Board of Health in District 24 on motion of Councillors Romkey and Balcom.

Edward Moser was appointed Overseer of Poor in District 24 in place of W. F. Pye.

Daniel Nieforth was appointed presiding officer for District 28 in place of Simon Lapierre.

Daniel Fillis was appointed road master for Section No. 14, District 28.

Robert Rhuda was appointed constable instead of Lawson Pace in District No. 11.

Wesley Power was appointed road master in Section 2 and John McGregor overseer of poor in District 37.

James Berringer was appointed a constable in District 28.

James Grant was appointed Road Master in District 20 and Thomas Murphy was appointed Road Master in place of Henry Woodworth.

Moved by Councillors Gladwin and Sutherland, the so-called Brown's Bridge in District 35 be placed under the larger Bridge Act where a new bridge is to be built this summer. Passed.

Isaiah Cornelius was appointed Supervisor of Roads for District 11.

The following Revisors were appointed :

Name.	Dist.	Name.	Dist.
Geoffrey Gorman .....	No. 7	Francis H. Martin .....	No. 8
Lawson Pace .....	11	Joseph E Tough .....	9
Jas A Coolen .....	38	A E Haverstock .....	16
James Mitchell .....	19	G W Marriott .....	13
Leander Logan .....	20	S G Piers .....	14
W Reynolds .....	21A	Thomas Naugle .....	29
R McFatrige .....	21	Harvey Hubley .....	12
F A Reynolds .....	22	Jas H Walsh .....	10
J A Thomas .....	30	Thos Hamilton .....	17
Dennis Smith .....	36	Ebenezer Homans .....	27
Thomas Falconer .....	37	Peter Spriggs .....	18
Jas E Conrod .....	32	Thos J Smith .....	24
Simeon Lapierre .....	28	Jas P Balcom .....	34
Wm McKenzie .....	31	Alonzo Mitchell .....	26
Angus McDonald .....	25	D P Dean .....	35
James Mosher .....			33

The following officers were appointed in District No. 26: Collector of Taxes, W Ferguson; Assessor, H. C. Leslie; Overseers of Poor, James Abriel, Road Master; Walter Mitchell; Constable, Joseph Mason.

District 33—Road Master, Sec. 5, Charles Hutt; Supervisor of Roads, Irvin Turner.

District 35—Presiding Officer, Allen Ogilvie.

On motion of Councillors Balcom and Romkey the sum of \$12.00 was assessed on District 34 for maintenance of poor.

The discussion on the road grant was resumed and councillors Covey and Leslie made the following resolution; That in case the Council adjourn before the Government has distributed the road grant, that the Road and Bridge Committee meet at a later date to divide the road grant. Councillors Conrad and Bishop moved in amendment that the Road and Bridge Committee meet the present session and divide the road grant on the basis of \$7500 00, the balance to be divided by the clerk, pro rata, or if deficit, to be deducted in the same proportion. The amendment passed.

The clerk brought up the matter of Richard J. Benzley, Revisor of electoral lists in District No. 7, who had not made up any list, and who refused to do so.

After some discussion the matter was dropped.

The following resolution was moved by councillors Lydiard and Taylor:—

Whereas, this council has learned through the public press, that the Town of Dartmouth has decided to extend its southern boundary so as to take in the Sugar Refinery and all the properties within the area from the town to Herberts Brook, and also extend the boundary of the town east,

Therefore Resolved, that this council view with alarm and indignation the aforesaid

proceeding and do hereby protest against the same as an invasion of the rights, interests and financial position of this municipality;

*Further resolved*, that a committee be appointed to wait upon the Governor-in-Council to oppose the action of the said Town of Dartmouth and in defence of the corporate position and established privileges of this municipality. A copy of this resolution to be sent to the Honorable the Provincial Secretary.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

On motion the Council adjourned until 10.30 a. m. to morrow.

### Friday Morning—April 5th.

The Council met at 11 o'clock. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Warden appointed the following committee to wait on the Governor-in-Council in connection with the proposed extension of the boundaries of the Town of Dartmouth:—Councillors Lydiard, Taylor, Hall, Archibald, Negus, McLean, Bishop, Fleming Conrod, Longard, Covey, Leslie, Homans, Balcom, Milne, Woodworth and Johnston, together with the Warden, Clerk and Stipendiary.

The Warden spoke very strongly against the action of the Town of Dartmouth in trying to take away the Sugar Refinery. He advocated separating the school section from Dartmouth and keeping up the school by the County. He thought the whole matter had been arranged between the Sugar Refiners Co. and the Town.

Councillor Lydiard said that he had sent out a petition to the residents of that section to stay in the county, and it received many signatures. Twenty-four hours later the manager of the Sugar Refinery went around with another petition and got 8 signers who had signed the county petition. It certainly looked as if some inducement had been held out. He showed that some names were attached to the petition sent to the town council which had no right to be there.

The clerk read the correspondence in reference to the hearing before the Governor-in-Council, between the county and the Government. Passed.

Councillor Archibald spoke strongly in favor of taking over the school outside of Dartmouth, he considered that Dartmouth was the great bug-bear of this County.

The discussion was continued along the same lines by councillors Bishop and Taylor. The latter came out against bonusing industry and said the meanest kind of bonusing was exemption from taxation.

Councillor Archibald said the government would not dare to perpetrate such an act of injustice. Councillors Darragh and Leslie also spoke.

Dennis Brophy was appointed revisor for district 23 for 1907.

Councillors Bishop and Slaughenwhire moved that the Warden appoint a committee in reference to the new road near the North West Arm. Passed. The Warden named councillors Bishop, Power and Piers.

A letter from the custodian of Canterbury Bridge referring to the condition of the bridge was read.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Thomas that J. D. Bayer be appointed assessor of district 20 instead of J. Seeton. Passed.

The council adjourned until 2:30.

### Friday Afternoon.

The council met at 3 o'clock. The minutes of morning session were read and approved.

Moved by Councillors Lapierre and Crawford:

*Resolved*, That the Canterbury Bridge in District 28 is not safe for public traffic, and unless immediate repairs are made accidents of a serious nature are liable to occur, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Government.

M E Butler was appointed revisor in District 15 for 1907.

The report of the committee on Jury Lists was read and on motion adopted :

To His Honor the Warden and the Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:

Gentlemen,—Your committee on Jury Lists met at the Court House on Monday, 18th March, and from all the sources of information within their knowledge and cognizance as to qualifications, age and other necessary requirements in accordance with the Statutes and amendments, revised and prepared the list of Petit Jurors who are eligible to serve for the year 1907 so far as relates to this municipality. As mentioned in last report the age of qualification is now extended from 60 to 65 years. This change enables the revisors to place a greater number of persons on the list, and also serves to lessen the number to be struck off the previous record. The total liable to be drawn from the municipality is 145. The qualification as to property for Grand Jurors is so high in this county that your committee were unable to add to that list.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. NEGUS, Chairman.  
ISAAC CROUCHER,  
W. H. WISWELL.

A communication from the late Attorney General re the Sabbath Observance Act was read and on motion was received and placed on file.

A return of the precept granted at the January session to District 12 and a report of the committee was received and adopted.

Moved by Councillors Milne and Woodworth:

*Whereas*, a petition has been received at the January session of this Council from the ratepayers of districts 18 to 20, asking for the laying out of a new road from Miss Fooks on the Guysborough road to Elmsdale Station in district 19 to 20.

*Whereas*, a committee was appointed to inquire into the cost of building the same and the amount of road in each district.

*Whereas*, the committee appointed did not meet, and the councillors from districts 19 to 20 considered it impossible for them to form any definite idea of the cost of building the same on account of the depth of snow in the woods, and as the councillors from districts 19 to 20 considered that the cost of building the same will be so large that it will be impossible for them to secure the funds to complete the work, and not wishing to leave unfinished work for their successors to complete.

*Therefore resolved*, that the same be deferred until the January session of the new council to be dealt with.

Councillor McLean brought up the claim of Wm Yeadon which had been left over from the January session, he said that the councillor from district 14 had assured the road and bridge committee that the district would be responsible. Councillor McLean thought it would be more satisfactory to have that assurance in writing. Councillor Bishop said that Mr. Yeadon had told him that if he did not get redress at this session he would bring suit against the county. Councillor Piers said that Mr Yeadon's land was not damaged. A long discussion followed participated in by councillors Darragh, Power, Taylor, Leslie, Reyno, Covey and the Warden.

Councillors Archibald and Gladwin moved that the Warden appoint a committee of three to inspect the Yeadon property and report tomorrow. Passed

The Warden named councillors Darragh, McLean and Hall and they left at once with the Warden: The Deputy Warden taking the chair:

The report of the Assessment Court of appeal was read and on motion adopted

The below mentioned cases having been heard by the Board of Appeal for Halifax County, which sat in Court House, Tuesday, Jan. 22nd, 1907, and decision given in case as below :

No. 1—Patrick Dempsey, District No. 7, Herring Cove. Name does not appear on Assessment.

No. 1—H. Reginald Walker, Dartmouth, District 18, Guysboro Road.

He accepts the offer, which amount was fixed by the assessors.

No. 2 Louis Lamperin, of Whitney Pier, East Chezzetcook, District 36  
Decided to let the assessment stand.

No. 3—Temperance Hall, Sambro. The assessment stands as fixed by assessors.

No 4—Henry A Shatford, Hubbards, District 32, asking for a reduction assessment \$750.00. We have decided to reduce the sum to \$600.00.

No 5—C T Tremaine, Musquodoboit Harbor, District 37. The party not appearing we decided to let the assessors work stand.

No 6—J Howe Roberts, Meaghers Grant. The party not appearing decided to let the assessment stand.

No 7—Thomas Brown, property formerly of W C No thup. The party not appearing and no witness to give evidence in the matter, decided to let the assessment stand.

No 8—The Moser River syndicate, property at Ecum Secum. The parties not complying with the law, as to declaration of Municipal Assessment Act. Therefore, we have decided to let the assessment stand.

J. SPROTT STEWART,  
IRVINE W. FADER,  
WM. H. STUDD.

Letters from Adjutant Jennings, of the Salvation Army, and Charles Burrill, Canadian Immigration Agent, relating to immigration to Nova Scotia, were read.  
On motion the council adjourned until 10.30 a m to-morrow.

### Saturday Morning—April 6th.

The Council met at 10.30. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Read a report of precept from District No. 32, showing plan of the change asked for, also the road now laid out, together with agreement from owner of land through which said road runs through.

Moved by councillors McLean and Balcom that the report of the commissioner appointed by this council to look into the requirements of a public road at Hubbards, district 32, from the post road to the Railway Station be confirmed and that the County Treasurer be authorized to advance a sum not exceeding \$450. for the payment of the necessary expenses in connection therewith. The same to be paid back to the Municipality in three equal yearly instalments. Passed.

The following resolution was presented—Moved by councillors Bishop and Archibald;—

I Wm. Bishop have been requested by a large number of the residents of the southern portion of the western part of the County of Halifax to bring the following matter to the notice of this Municipal Council, in the hope that this body may see fit to pass a resolution requesting the Local Government, for the reasons given, to cancel the Lease hereinafter mentioned:

*Whereas*, the Crown Land Department of Nova Scotia on or about the 8th day of April A. D. 1898 did lease to Edward J. Longard, Jr and others of the City of Halifax for the "Micmac" Club for a period of twenty-five (25) years all the privileges and rights of fishing and hunting over a certain lot of land situate in the Southern portion of the western part of the County of Halifax and bounded as follows:—On the north by the old St. Margaret's Bay Road; on the east by the Sambro Road; on the south by the Atlantic Ocean as far west as Terrance Bay, and on the west by the Terrance Bay and Prospect Roads, upon the express terms, conditions and stipulations that the said Lessees should expend in each and every year during said period the sum of \$400. in stocking the lakes and streams thereon with fish and the forests with game:

*And whereas*, although a period of nine years has elapsed since said Lease was granted, and according to the terms thereof the sum of \$3600. should have been expended as aforesaid by said Lessees up to this date, yet it is confidently asserted by said residents at and near the said lands that no such sum and little if any

money whatever has been so expended.

*And whereas*, There are situate on said lands many valuable lakes such as Spruce Hill Lakes, Narrow Lake, French Lake, Bennett's Lake, Groner's Lake, Ragged Lake, Peters' Lake, Flat Lake, Cranberry Lakes (3) McGrath's Lake, Lake Frederick, Half Moon Lake Dry Hill Lake, Sandy Lake and others, most of which are located on Crown Lands, in which are good trout fishing and on the land is good hunting ground for woodcock, partridge and other game, which are practically owned by the said Lessees;

*And whereas*, Previous to the granting of said lease: the residents at and near said lands have enjoyed the privileges of fishing, hunting and shooting in and upon said lakes and lands, which has been of great benefit and profit to them, but which, by the terms of said lease is now denied them;

*Be it therefore resolved*, That we, the Municipal Council of the County of Halifax in Council assembled do hereby humbly request the Honourable The Lieutenant Governor and His Honourable Council to take such necessary measures as they may deem expedient and advisable to ascertain the truth or falsity of such statements, and if the same be true that they cause said lease to be cancelled and annulled, or such other proceedings as may be necessary in the premises.

Councillor Bishop spoke strongly in favor of the resolution, which he said was wanted by the residents of the district in which the "Micmac" Club was situated. Councillors Covey, Taylor and the Warden also supported it.—Councillors Power, Archibald and Croucher also spoke. The resolution was then put and passed unanimously.

A communication from Charles Peveril, commissioner of road sections 1, 14 and 16, in District 17, regarding the conditions of the roads in that district was read. Referred to road and bridge committee.

A petition from the residents of District 24, condemning the new road in that district and asking the old road to be repaired was read. Referred to the road and bridge committee.

Moved by councillors Taylor and Piers the following resolution—Resolved, that this Council place themselves on record as being strongly opposed to the principle of leasing to companies or private individuals, fishing and hunting rights to the exclusion of His Majesty's subjects from privileges, that in our opinion should extend to all, and that a copy of the foregoing be sent to the Government. Passed.

A communication in regard to assessment in Dartmouth was read. Moved by councillors Conrod and Negus that the clerk be instructed to collect the school monies from Dartmouth, which have been lost through this neglect. Passed.

On motion the Council adjourned until 10 o'clock on Monday morning.

### Monday Morning—April 8th.

The council met at 10 o'clock. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The warden outlined the course to be taken by the committee on the extension of the boundaries of the Town of Dartmouth before the Governor-in-Council.

On motion the council adjourned until 2.30 to enable the committee to meet the Government at 10.30.

### Monday Afternoon.

The council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

M E Butler was appointed Revisor for district No 15 for 1907.

The Warden reported that the delegates appointed by this council to wait on the Governor-in-Council had a good hearing and feel satisfied that their position will be sustained.

A letter was read from C. F. Longley asking permission to operate a ferry on the North West Arm.

Moved by Councillors Piers and Taylor,

Whereas, C F Longley of Halifax, has applied for permission to operate a ferry service of steam or any other motive power that occasion may demand, from the property adjoining Melville Island on the North West Arm, to the foot of Jubilee Road, said service to be first class in every particular;

Be it therefore resolved, That permission be granted said C F Longley to run such ferry, so long as such service is satisfactory to this council, and on condition that said C F Longley set apart a public landing, with access to the highway, on his property adjoining Melville Island. Passed.

The following report was read:

To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax Co:

Your committee appointed to look into the matter of a bridge or drain in District 14 near Wm Yeadens, and by which the said Wm Yeaden claims a damage to his property by overflowing, beg leave to report:

We have visited the place referred to and find that in our opinion sufficient provision has not been made to carry off the water.

And in view of the fact that legal steps have been taken against the municipality, we would recommend that some further provision be made for the escape of water and that steps be taken at once by the municipality at the expense of the district.

(Sgd.) F D DARRAGH,  
C C McLEAN,  
HENRY HALL.

On motion the report was adopted.

Moved by Coun. Johnson, seconded by Councillor Romkey:

WHEREAS, by a certain Act passed by the Local Legislature some time ago which meant a loss of \$83.00 per year, to the janitor of the County Court House;

AND WHEREAS the said janitor, A W Smith, is and has been very prompt and faithful in the discharge of his duties;

THEREFORE resolved that this Council vote the sum of \$50 00 as an increase to his salary.

Councillor Johnston supported the resolution. Councillors Covey, Piers and Negus spoke against it.

The motion was then put and carried 16 to 13. Names being for there were for: Councillors Gladwin, Reyno, Slaughenwhite, Archibald, Milne, Thomas, Balcom, Romkey, Darragh, Johnston, Woodworth, Taylor, Hall, Flemming, Croucher, and Lydiard—16. Against; Homans, Conrod, Negus, Moren, Covey, Power, Lapierre, Crawford, Tulloch, Longard, Bishop, Piers and McLean 13.

Councillors Piers gave notice of reconsideration.

Councillors Negus and Archibald moved that the matter in reference to the new road in Cow Bay, district 33 be not further dealt with by this Council. The Clerk read a report of precept granted from District 31, the same having been read at the January session, and no action being taken owing to the absence of Councillor Lydiard the councillor from that district.

A petition was read from 69 residents of District 33, against the road in question being built.

Councillor Lydiard stated that the road would only be an expense to the people of District 31, and they would give a guarantee to that effect.

Councillor Negus said that Stipendiary had given his opinion that once a road was made a public road, the county would be liable for its maintenance. He strongly opposed building it as he claimed it only would serve a few people who wanted to get manure at Cumming's Cove. He said it was hard enough to keep up the roads in his district without adding a mile and a half of road which would not serve the public.

The warden asked if the people of District 31 would give a guarantee to District 33 by getting an act of the Legislature that 31 would always be responsible, if that

would satisfy District 33.

Councillor Negus said he doubted it they could give a guarantee to bind their successors.

Councillor Lydiard showed that the district which wanted the road would pay for it, he thought the council would grant it.

Mr. J. Menger, by permission of the council, addressed them as representative of the Bowes family who own the beach through which the new road would pass. Mr. Menger said that what the people wanted was a right of way, which the council has not the power to grant, they can only deal with public highways.

Councillor Lydiard said that all he wanted was for the council to deal with the report of the commissioners, the precept had been issued in 1906 and if the old commissioners would not lay out the road then appoint new ones.

Councillor Conrod favored a new commission being appointed.

Councillors Lydiard and Flemming moved in amendment :

*Whereas* the commissioners appointed at the April session of this Council, in 1906, to lay out a road from Mint Road, to a point at or near Robert Thompson's in District 33, having failed to fulfil the requirements of said precept; Therefore resolved that in report of said commissioners be set aside and rejected by this Council and that three other commissioners be appointed by the Warden to carry out the conditions of said precept.

Councillor Darragh thought the commissioners condemned the project, as they said the general public would not get any benefit from it.

A lengthy discussion followed, participated in by a number of the councillors.

The original resolution and amendment were both withdrawn and the following resolution, moved by Councillors Lydiard and Fleming.

WHEREAS the commissioners appointed at the April session of this Council, in 1906, to lay out a road from Mint Road to a point at or near Robert Thompson's, in District No 33 :

THEREFORE be it resolved that the report of said commissioners be set aside and rejected by this Council.

The resolution was put and lost, 8 to 8. The Warden said he would put the question again as a number of councillors did not vote. Councillor Negus objected. The resolution was then put and carried, 15 to 7.

Councillor Negus entered a formal protest against the resolution being put a second time.

On a motion the Council adjourned until 10.30 to-morrow morning.

### Tuesday Morning—April 9th.

The council met at 10.30. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Councillors Piers and Negus moved reconsideration of the resolution giving A. W. Smith, Janitor of the County Court House, an increase of \$50. a year. Carried.

Councillor Johnston again spoke strongly in favor of the increase. He thought Mr. Smith deserved it.

Councillor Bishop said Mr. Smith was getting more than the average mechanic in the city. He had rent, fuel, light and taxes free and gets \$550. a year.

Councillor Archibald said that he asked yesterday how much Mr. Smith was getting and was told \$450 a year, on that he voted for the increase. He would not vote, however, for an increase to a salary \$550.

Councillors Covey, Piers and Gladwin opposed it. Councillor Gladwin gave the same reason as Councillor Archibald. The motion to increase the salary was defeated 21 to 7.

Ex-Warden G. H. Madill entered the chamber and took a seat beside the Warden amid applause.

The return of a precept and the report of commissioners to lay out a new road in District 31 was read.

The following resolution was adopted :

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Flemming that the report of commissioners appointed to lay out road from Judson Settle's corner line, Cole Harbor Road to old Preston Road in District 31 be accepted.

The following resolution was presented, and unanimously adopted:

*Whereas*, There is no telephone communication between Halifax, Terrance Bay, Prospect, Bayside and East Dover, in this Municipality, and it is proposed by George H Longard, James H Power and Norman B Fader, and their associates to erect a telephone line starting from the corner of St Margarets Bay road and Prospect Road, thence to run to the before mentioned places. The company to be known as the Terrance Bay, Bayside and Prospect Telephone Company, and they have requested this Municipality to grant them the privilege of erecting telephone posts along the public roads leading to and from the places mentioned;

*Therefore resolved*, That the said George H Longard, James H Power and Norman B Fader and their associates, and those who may become associate with them under said corporate name, is hereby granted to erect all necessary telephone posts along the public roads leading from the corner of St Margaret's Bay Road and Prospect road; thence to run along the public roads to and from the following places, namely—Terrance Bay, Prospect, Bayside and East Dover. The said posts to be placed under the supervision of the respective Supervisors of Roads for the districts through which the said line will be built;

*Further resolved*, That this permission is subject to the rights of this Municipality to grant the same.

A petition from residents of District 13, asking for repairs to the St. Margaret's Bay Road in district 14. Councillor Piers said he would try and have it done. On motion it was referred to the councillor of district 14.

Walter Higgins was appointed presiding officer for 1907, in District 21 A.

Moved by councillors Taylor and Lydiard, that in cases where persons appointed to office wish to take advantage of the law exempting them from serving in such office shall be required to give notice of such refusal to the councillor of the district, at least ten days before the semi-annual meeting. Passed.

C. F. Lydiard was appointed Collector of Rates in District No. 31. for 1907.

The Warden gave an interesting address on the Municipal Reform Association, telling of the legislation recommended by the association, affecting the welfare of the municipalities.

On motion the Council adjourned until 2.30.

### Tuesday Afternoon.

The Council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Albert Warnell was appointed keeper of draw bridge at Salmon River district 27.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Moren :

That this council heartily approve of the several recommendations made and reported from the Municipal Reform Association and believe such recommendations should receive the careful attention of our Legislature and become law.

Moved by Councillors Thomas and Power that the Road Bells lane so called be divided, half to be added in section No. 2 and half to be added section No. 5 in district 30.

Councillor Taylor read a list of the districts and the number of pamphlets containing the reports of the council each would receive.

On motion of Councillors Bishop and Longard the apportionment was adopted.

Moved by Councillors Gladwin and Archibald, that Councillor Ronnan receive his pay for this session, as he has been unable to attend owing to sickness that has befallen him he has to do the work of his office for the year and we think it only right that he receive his pay.

The following resolution was presented :  
 Moved by Councillors Flemming and Archibald :

*Resolved*, That when the amount of county rates remaining unpaid in any year in any district exceeds two per cent of the total amount levied on such district, the clerk is hereby authorized empowered and instructed to add to the amount to be levied for the following year on said district the amount of such deficit over and above said two per cent. Passed.

A Petition from the Albion Lumber Co. for leave to erect poles on the highway from Moser's River Bridge to George B Moser's was read. Moved by Councillors Romkey and Flemming that the request of the Albion Lumber Co. for permission to erect telephone poles along the highway from Moser's River bridge to George B Moser's house be granted in so far as this council has power to grant the same. Passed.

The clerk reported on a letter received in March last from Dr. A P Reid calling upon the county to appoint a health officer or he would appoint one. The county did not appoint one Dr. Reid appointed Dr. Cunningham. The Warden and Stipendiary interviewed the Government and the appointment was not sanctioned. The Stipendiary expressed the opinion that the council would have to make an appointment. The question was left over until the next morning to allow the Stipendiary of the county to look up the law.

Councillors Bishop and Longard moved that the councillors pay be three dollars per day as provided by the Legislature in Chapter 70 R. S.

Councillor Conrod approved the motion and also councillor Lydiard who said they were not earning more than two dollars a day. The motion was carried. Councillor Lydiard voting against. On motion the council adjourned.

### Wednesday Morning—April 10th.

The Council met at 10.30. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

A second letter from Dr. A. P. Reid, Provincial Health Officer, in reference to the spread of Tuberculosis in the Province was read.

Councillors Croucher, Negus, Archibald, Longard, Piers, Conrod, and Taylor took part in the discussion which followed. Councillors Taylor and Longard moved that the Warden appoint the Health Officer for this County. Passed.

An application to establish a ferry on the North West Arm from Roderick Macdonald was read. Councillor Power spoke in favor of granting the application. Councillor Piers said the only objection he had was that it would interfere with the present ferrymen who were poor men.

The Warden asked if Councillor Piers did not think that the public demanded better ferriage.

Councillor Piers said he had never heard of any complaints regarding the old ferry.

Mr. R. Macdonald addressed the council at length on the subject. The question was then left over until the afternoon session.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Gladwin, that the bill for services from the committee to report on the road proposed to be laid out in Cow Bay, district 33, be referred to the Finance Committee.

Councillor Lydiard objected to the bill as the report of the Commissioners had been rejected by the council.

Councillor Negus said the men had done the work and should get paid. The resolution passed.

W. B. A. Ritchie, K. C. was called upon and addressed the council about the proposed new wing to the Court House. He said the Government had appropriated one third of the expense. The total amount required was \$21,000 of which the Government would pay \$7,000. Mr. Ritchie pointed out that the Court House needed improving in different ways.

The following resolution was moved by Councillor Gladwin and Archibald.

*Resolved*, that the Municipality of the County of Halifax hereby agree that the sum of money to be provided for the purpose of enlarging and improving the Court House on Spring Garden Road, in the City of Halifax, pursuant to the provisions of Section one, Chapter 71 of the Acts of 1906 shall be twenty one thousand dollars, and that the portion of said sum to be provided by the Province of Nova Scotia shall be one third, and that upon same being provided by the Province of Nova Scotia, the said sum of fourteen thousand dollars shall be borrowed by the Municipality of the County of Halifax pursuant to said Act and the Warden and Clerk of the Municipality of the County of Halifax are hereby authorized to borrow said sum of \$14,000 and to execute the necessary debentures on behalf of the Municipality. Passed.

The Council adjourned until 2.30.

### Wednesday Afternoon.

The Council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session was read and approved.

A bill from Dr. R Cox upper Musquodoboit for \$26.50 for supplying anti-toxin to prevent the spread of Diphtheria in the district was read.

Moved by Councillors Archibald and Gladwin, that a bill presented by Dr. Cox for \$26.50 for services rendered in preventing spread of Diphtheria in district 22, which had been recommended by the Board of Health of said district be paid by this Municipality according to law. Passed.

Dr. N E Mackay wrote the council on the subject of Tuberculosis asking the council to appoint a committee to confer with similar committees from the City of Halifax and Dartmouth on the idea of building a Sanitarium for incipient cases. He enclosed a letter from Dr. Trudeau bearing on the matter. Councillors Longard and Archibald moved that the letter be acknowledged and the matter laid over until the January session. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Piers and Taylor whereas friends of persons confined in the County jail when visiting that building have to stand at the gate under public observations which is an unnecessary exposure, be it therefore resolved that the property committee be instructed to have a porch erected at the said gate of the jail.

Moved in amendment by Councillors Conrod and Sutherland that the matter of communication with the jail be left with the public property committee.

Councillors Bishop and Lydiard moved an amendment to the amendment that the County Sheriff be requested to allow the bell to be removed from the jail fence and to be substituted by a strong sounding bell to be placed in the jail building to protect the callers at the jail from the gaze of the public who are attracted by the sound of the present bell. The amendment to the amendment passed.

Samuel Jallimore appeared before the council opposing the granting of permission to Rod MacDonald to operate a ferry on the North West Arm.

On motion the matter of ferry on the North West Arm was referred to the License committee. Passed.

On motion the Council adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10.30

### THURSDAY MORNING—April 11th.

The Council met at 10.30. The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

A letter from A. Elliot, Dartmouth, in reference to registration of titles of land in the County of Halifax was read. The letter asked the Council to pass a resolution urging that the permissive act on the subject be made compulsory in the County of Halifax. The matter was deferred until the afternoon session.

The report of the public property committee was read.

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax Co :*

GENTLEMEN ;—Your Committee on Public Property beg to report as follows :

On Friday, April 5th we visited the Poor Farm and found the business of the institution going on smoothly and satisfactorily.

We made a thorough examination of the premises and found that two new waggons and a plough were urgently required on the farm.

As to the cows, we concluded to leave them as at present with the exception of a few changes, as the Superintendent thought that perhaps with care and attention they might be brought to give better results.

The alterations to the drying room we decided to leave for the present year as we did not wish to go to any further expense at present, and as the Superintendent intimated to us that with the improvements he had made they could do very well for the present year.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. F. NEGUS, Vice Chairman.  
W. D. CONROD.  
S. W. LYDIARD.  
J. S. FLEMING.  
JOHN J. JOHNSON.  
W. BISHOP.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

The report of the finance committee was read as follows ;

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :—*

Your committee on finance beg leave to present the following report re the question of laying out a piece of road in District No 33.

The bill from Francis McDonald, Wm. Naugle and D A Mosher, appointed under precept to lay out a road to a certain beach, your committee, after consulting the petition, the precept, the return of the precept and the report of such committee, your committee on finance, after such investigation, report as follows :

We find, first, that the instructions given in the precept were not strictly followed, except in the point of their tuding that the said road was not necessary for the public use.

Second—That in the opinion of the finance committee the commissioners were appointed with the view to prevent the laying out of the road to suit the purpose for which it was intended.

Third—That we consider the bill excessive and that the work done will not prove a public benefit. We would recommend that they receive pay at the rate of two dollars per day for 1 1 2 days, making a total of nine dollars; and we further recommend that the Treasurer pay the above mentioned sum, the one half to be charged to District 31 and the balance to District 33.

J. H. TAYLOR,  
Chairman of Finance Committee.

*To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :—*

Committee on Finance beg leave to present a supplementary estimate as follows :

Extra for Purchasing Team, &c., for Poor Farm.....	\$ 525 00
Extra for Councillors Pay .....	600 00
For Salary of Health Officer .....	100 00
For Postage Suptendary Magistrate Office .....	10 00
To Pay Bill for Anti-toxiu in Dist. 22 .....	26 50

Total.....\$ 1261 50

Signed.

J. H. TAYLOR, Chairman,  
MILNE, LONGARD, ARCHIBALD, MOREN, HENRY HALL, Com. on Finance.

Councillor Negus objected to the clause referring to the appointment of the committee.

Councillor Lydiard objected to his district paying any share of the bill.

Councillor Archibald and Sutherland moved that the report of the finance committee be adopted.

Councillor Bishop wanted to know who would pay half of the bill for road in Dist. 33 if Councillor Lydiard meant what he said about Dist. 31 refusing to pay? Councillor Longard thought the finance committee were the arbitrators and the councillors ought to abide by their report.

Councillor Taylor said the only reason the committee charged Dist 33 with any part of the bill was that some residents of Dist 33 signed the petition for the road.

The motion passed.

The committee appointed to inspect the proposed new road near the North West Arm presented the following report:

*To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax Co:*

GENTLEMEN;—Your committee appointed to report on the advisability of taking over a piece of road to be 66 feet wide on the west side of the North West Arm, offered, to this municipality by Sir Sanford Fleming to connect the Jollimore Settlement with Foses Cove so called, a distance of about 175 yards, for the purpose of having a public road leading to and from the said settlement to a ferry which is proposed to be established at said cove. Your committee have examined said grounds and landing place and would wish to place on record their high appreciation of the generosity and public spirit of Sir Sanford and say that the road as proposed to be given by him would be of inestimable benefit and advantage to the public and trust that the same may be acquired. They would also ask the council to continue the committee and to authorize them to consult with Sir Sanford, who they are informed will in all probability spend a portion of the coming summer in this city, as to the conditions attached to his offer.

W. BISHOP.  
HENRY PIERS.  
J. H. POWER.

The report of the special committee on the new road at the North West Arm was on motion received and adopted.

Ex-Warden G. H. Madill addressed the Council on the work to be done by a municipal council. He was loudly applauded at the close.

Councillor Bishop spoke on behalf of the Council and expressed the hope that Mr. Madill would come back again to see them. Stipendiary McDougall wanted to record his appreciation of Mr. Madill's work as Warden. The Clerk also spoke.

Councillor Power spoke of the effective work done by the present Warden.

The committee on roads and bridges reported as follows:

#### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ROADS AND BRIDGES.

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:*

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on Roads and Bridges beg leave to submit the following report:

Referring to the letter received from Charles Peveril, Commissioner of Roads in District 17, regarding an overflow caused by the widening of the railway, we would suggest that the road authorities insist that the railway provide a suitable water course or make conditions as they were before the widening of said railway. We do not consider that the Municipality should become responsible for damages caused by any railway company.

With regard to the petition from Moser's River (District 24) asking to condemn a certain piece of new road, we would not recommend the closing of said new road, as it is still useful to some residents of that locality, and so far as a grant of money is concerned, do not feel justified in recommending this expenditure, as it must be at the

expense of other districts, and that similar claims might justly be made by every other district in the Municipality.

Regarding the large amounts of uncollected road taxes in a number of districts, which caused a very strong recommendation by this Committee, at the January session, we find that in most cases collections have been made, though still leaving some uncollected amounts.

Appended hereto is a sheet showing the number of miles, total amount of Statute Labor and the amount per mile in each district, and an allotment of an assumed amount of \$7500.00, which we are led to believe is to be largely increased when the allotment to municipalities is made by the Provincial Government, and which amount is to be distributed pro rata to the allotments shown on said sheet by the Clerk and Treasurer.

It will be understood that the amount of \$50.00, which your committee were authorized to present to District 38 is included in said allotment.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Signed

CHAS. C. McLEAN, Chairman.

F. D. DARRAGH, JOHN J. JOHNSON, JOHN H. BALCOM, A. R. TELLOCH,  
E. J. COVEY, J. M. THOMAS.

### Allotment of the Government Road Grant 1907, by Road & Bridge Committee.

Dist. No.	Miles of Road Each District	Statute Labor	Statute Labor Per Mile	Allotment of Grant	Tl per Mile
7	14	\$ 230 08	\$ 16 43	\$ 70 00	\$ 21 43
8	12	205 33	17 11	70 00	22 94
9	18 $\frac{3}{4}$	190 54	10 46	112 50	16 54
10	15	169 84	11 32	75 00	16 32
11	23	399 50	17 37	126 50	22 87
12	42	333 84	7 95	250 00	13 90
13	54	234 65	4 35	470 00	13 05
14	16 $\frac{3}{4}$	745 70	45 19	50 00	48 22
15	13	738 37	56 79	25 00	58 72
16	41	321 28	7 85	300 00	15 15
17	54	488 35	9 04	320 00	14 97
18	50	631 15	12 63	300 00	18 62
19	51	494 84	9 70	300 00	15 58
20	59	294 65	5 00	370 00	11 26
21	84	649 34	7 73	500 00	13 68
21 <sup>a</sup>	18	140 87	7 82	140 00	15 60
22	95	609 05	6 41	515 00	11 83
23	9 $\frac{1}{4}$	159 42	16 78	47 50	21 78
24	21 $\frac{3}{4}$	470 41	14 82	178 75	20 45
25	69	532 38	7 57	426 00	13 89
26	66	674 39	10 22	400 00	16 28
27	74	883 55	11 94	370 00	16 94
28	30 $\frac{3}{4}$	569 24	18 51	153 75	23 53
29	34	299 38	8 83	240 00	15 86
30	45	244 28	5 43	305 00	16 15
31	66	1849 29	28 02	100 00	29 54
32	28	540 69	19 31	190 00	26 07
33	27	431 10	15 97	155 00	21 77
34	33	503 39	15 25	190 00	21 01
35	26	210 16	8 08	170 00	14 62
36	25 $\frac{3}{4}$	426 62	16 73	127 50	21 73
37	46 $\frac{3}{4}$	465 30	10 00	262 50	15 00
38	24	175 00	7 25	190 00	15 21

1295

\$7500 00

The discussion of this report was deferred until after dinner.  
The Council adjourned until 2.30.

### Thursday Afternoon.

The council met at 2.30. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Councillor Hall moved that the report of the Road and Bridge Committee be received and adopted. Councillor Fleming seconded the motion. Councillor Piers objected to the allotment for his district. Councillor Bishop strongly opposed the grant and said that the Road Act showed that the Government money should be expended on the main roads and not on roads of purely local convenience, he claimed that in his district the traffic was enormous and he only was given \$13.00 per mile, while other districts with far less traffic got much more.

Councillor McLean defended the work of the committee; he said they had dealt fairly with all the districts. He said Councillor Bishop's objections were not well taken. After further discussion by Councillors Covey, Darragh and others, the motion to adopt the report carried.

Moved by Councillors Fleming and Hall that the clerk be requested to communicate with the general manager of the Intercolonial Railway, D. Pottinger, re condition of the highway caused by widening the railway embankment. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Conrod, that the Supervisor of District No. 29 be empowered to expend the sum of twenty-five dollars from the allotment of District No. 31 on the new Lawrencetown Road between Salmon River Bridge and Preston Road, said road being in District 31. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Taylor, that the sum of \$100. be assessed on District No. 31 for poor purposes for year 1907. Passed.

Robert Settle was appointed Sanitary Inspector for District No. 31, in place of R. F. Grant.

On motion of Councillors Conrod and Lydiard, George Lapierre was appointed commissioner to lay out the money on the New Lawrencetown Road in District 31.

John Higgins was appointed Presiding Officer in District No. 21 for 1907.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Croucher :

Resolved that this council acknowledge receipt of letter from Dr. Reid and they also concur in recommendation regarding teachers instructing children; and

Further resolved that this council would recommend that Provincial Board of Health be asked to supply literature, touching upon the subject in question, to the different schools throughout this county.

A motion to exempt J. Reyno of District No. 7 of 73 cents, charged to him by a mistake in the assessment was defeated.

Moved by Councillors Darragh and Balcom, that no overdrafts should be incurred by the different districts without relieving the incoming council or their officers of any inconvenience from this source. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Taylor and Woodworth, that the supplementary estimates as passed this session, be added to the former estimates and assessed upon the county this year. Passed.

Moved by Councillors Conrod and Lydiard, that \$25. be taken from Government Road Grant for District No. 29 and be expended on the Lawrencetown Road in District 31. Passed.

A report and bill from (Gordon Farnell), Forest Ranger of Halifax county, was read. The clerk said Mr. Farnell had not collected any money, as he should have. The stipendiary said Mr. Farnell had not complied with the law, and his bill should not be paid. On motion the bill was laid over until January, or until the amount is collected.

Moved by Councillors McLean and Hall, that this council approve of the principle of the Torrance system of registration of titles, and appoint a committee to

meet with and confer with any other committees to be appointed by the city of Halifax and town of Dartmouth and to report to this council at the January Session. Passed. The Warden, Clerk and Stipendiary were appointed the committee.

Moved by Councillors Fleming and Lydiard that the bill of Mr. Gordon Farnell, Chief Forest Ranger, be left over until he has made his collection as required by Statute.

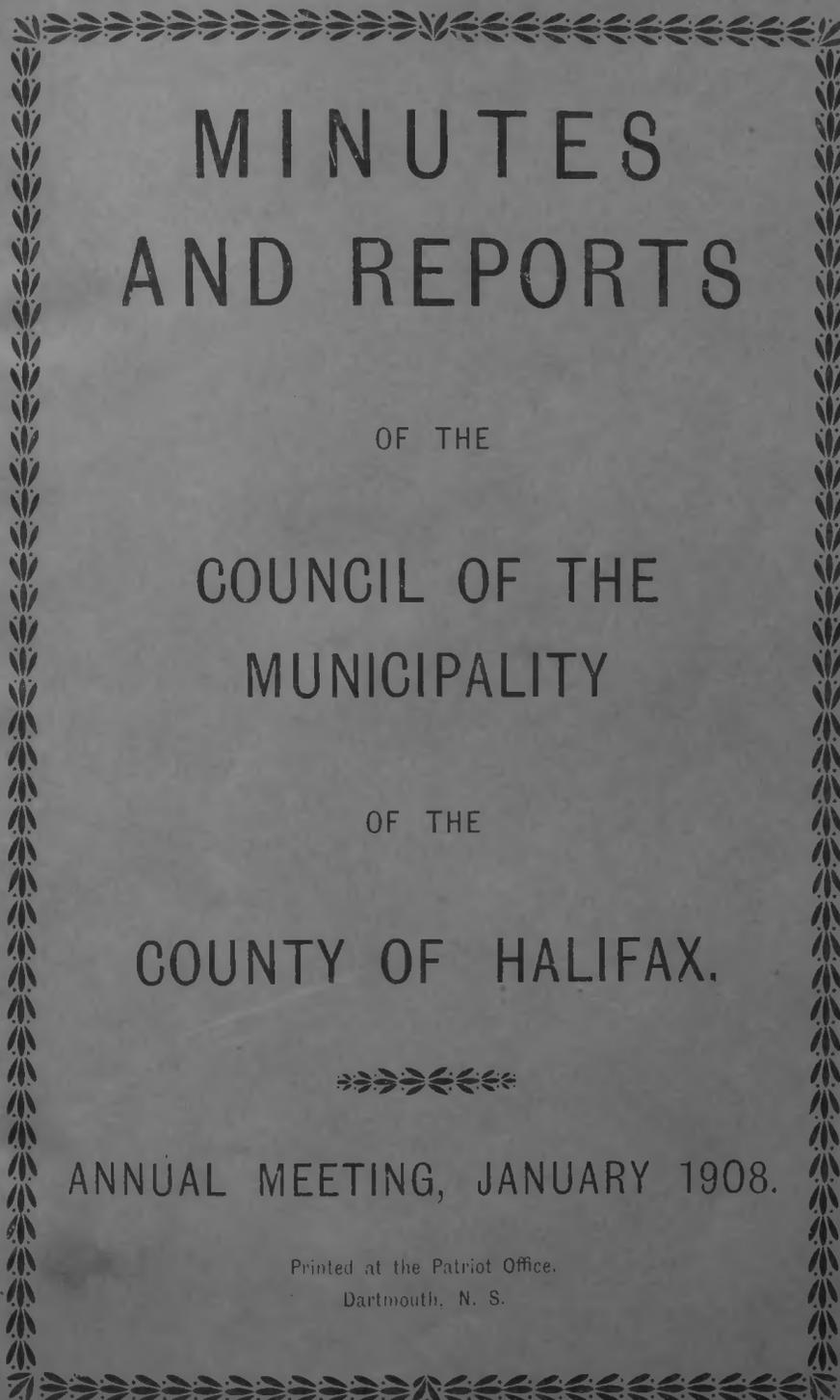
Moved by Councillors Conrod and Lydiard :

That we the members of the County Council, on this our last session of present term, wish to extend to Warden Smith our sincere appreciation of the able manner in which he has conducted the affairs of the county, and also the firm hand he has ruled with at our meetings, showing partiality to none but fairness to all.

The motion was put by the Deputy Warden, Mr. J. H. Taylor, and unanimously adopted. Warden Smith made a felicitous reply which was loudly applauded.

On motion the council adjourned.

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MINUTES  
AND REPORTS

OF THE

COUNCIL OF THE  
MUNICIPALITY

OF THE

COUNTY OF HALIFAX.



ANNUAL MEETING, JANUARY 1908.

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FIRST ANNUAL MEETING  
OF THE  
SIXTEENTH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL  
OF THE  
COUNTY OF HALIFAX.

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First Day.

Wednesday, Jan. 8th.

In accordance with the statute the councillors elected Nov. 19th, 1908 attended at the County Court House at 12 o'clock noon on the 8th day of January, 1908.

The clerk read the summons relating thereto, and also chap. 70 Revised Statutes the course of procedure for the annual meeting, took the chair, called the meeting to order and declared the following persons duly elected councillors for their respective districts as notified to him by the presiding officers and verified by the poll books.

- District 7—James Reyno  
“ 8—Francis Purcell  
“ 9—Chas. E. Smith  
“ 10—Clarence Christian  
“ 11—Freeman Boutillier  
“ 12—John J. Boutillier  
“ 13—William Bishop  
“ 14—Henry Piers  
“ 15—F. A. Ronnan  
“ 16—Lindsey Moren  
“ 17—John S. Fleming  
“ 18—W. A. Temple  
“ 19—Robinson Woodworth  
“ 20—John McLean  
“ 21—John H. Taylor  
“ 21a—F. Darragh.  
“ 22—Thomas E. Stewart  
“ 23—R. A. Slaunwhite  
“ 24—Alex. F. Smith  
“ 25—Henry Hall  
“ 26—D. T. Leslie  
“ 27—Fred Stoddart  
“ 28—Wm. Myatt

- " 29—Edmund E. Conrod  
 " 30—George Diggs  
 " 31—S. W. Lydiard  
 " 32--Abel Boutilier  
 " 33—W. F. Negus  
 " 34—Hector Smiley  
 " 35—Edward Howe  
 " 36—James M. Kaizer  
 " 37—W. T. Kent  
 " 38—Geo. H. Longard.

All were present except Thos. E. Stewart and Jas. M. Keizer, and they arrived during the day.

In three districts Nos. 7, 12 and 17 recounts had been asked for. The clerk had held these and it was found that for districts 7 and 12 the presiding officers returns were confirmed, but in District 17 the presiding officer had returned Mr. Sydney Stephens by a majority of one. On the recount the clerk threw out three ballots and proclaimed J. S. Flemming, another candidate, duly elected.

The clerk then called the roll and the members were sworn.

The clerk then called for nominations for Warden.

Moved by D. T. Leslie, seconded by H. Hall, that John H. Taylor be elected.

Moved by Councillor Bishop, seconded by Councillor Longard, that C. E. Smith be elected Warden.

Councillors Temple and Longard were appointed scrutineers. On the ballots being counted the votes stood—Taylor 16, Smith 15.

The clerk therefore declared John H. Taylor duly elected Warden for the term of the council.

Moved by Councillor Longard, seconded by Councillor Moren, that Councillor Bishop be elected Deputy Warden.

A motion that nominations cease was then made which carried on show of hands. One ballot was deposited for Councillor Bishop who was declared deputy Warden.

A resolution was tabled relating to the hours for assembling, signed by councillors Reyno and Bishop. Voting was deferred until the afternoon.

Council adjourned to 3 pm.

## Afternoon Session.

The resolution regarding hours of meeting during the session was taken up and after a long discussion was put to vote and passed. The council will meet at 10.30 a m and 2.30 p m during this session.

A tender from the Dartmouth Printing & Publishing Co. (Ltd.) was read providing for the printing and reporting of the proceedings of the council.

Councillors Leslie and Lydiard moved that tenders be asked for 5000 copies of the reports of the proceedings of the council in newspaper form and 100 copies in pamphlet form be published immediately after the April session.

After a prolonged discussion it was moved in amendment by Councillor Bishop and Kent that council adopt the method in force last year for reporting and publishing the proceedings of the council. This passed.

License Inspector Sedgewick presented his annual report of applications for licenses to sell intoxicating liquors for 1908 with various petitions and letters which were read.

A number of objections were read by him to the granting of a license to Harbert Little of district 23 Terrence Bay. Councillor Christian seconded by Councillor Purcell moved that Herbert Little be not granted a license to sell intoxicating liquors.

In this connection a letter was read by Councillor Longard from R H Murray claiming on certain legal grounds that the council has no power to grant liquor licenses this year.

On motion of Councillor C E Smith, seconded by Councillor Reyno it was agreed that Rev. Father Dion, parish priest and Rev. Father Collins representing

the Archbishop and W B A Ritchie representing Rev Foster H Almon be heard by the council against the granting of Little's license. These in turn addressed the council, about 5.45. Councillor Temple seconded by Councillor Bishop moved that further consideration be deferred until 10.30 a. m. on Thursday. Carried.

Council then adjourned.

## Thursday Morning.

Thursday, Jan. 9th.

The council met at 10.40 a. m.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The notice of reconsideration of the vote fixing the hours of meeting was then taken up. The motion was lost 5 to 16.

Inspector Sedgewick's report presented on Wednesday afternoon was again taken up. The report is as follows:

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors for Municipality of Halifax:*

I beg leave to report that the following persons have applied for license for the sale of intoxicating liquors within the Municipality of Halifax for the year beginning March 16th, 1908.

A M Scott, Belvue Hotel, Bedford.

William Toppie, Pine Grove House, Springville.

John G Gooley, Pleasant View Hotel, St. Margarets Bay Road.

Thomas McCartney, Lake View House, St. Margarets Bay Road.

Joseph Stafford, Sunnyside House, St. Margarets Bay Road.

Angus Bowser, Riverside, St. Margarets Bay Road.

H L Silver, Prince of Wales Hotel, Head St Margarets Bay Road.

Allan McDonald, Elmwood Hotel, Preston.

Charles Neil, 14 1/2 Mile House, Porters Lake.

Herbert Little, Terrence Bay.

All of the above applications have the required number of names to their respective petitions for license. Six of the parties applying for Hotel licences were granted licenses last year. Three new men are applying. Joseph Stafford on St Margarets Bay Road, and Allan McDonald and Charles Neil on the eastern shore road. Herbert Little of Terrence Bay applies for a shop license in place of his wife Emma Amelia Little to whom a license has been granted for the last two years.

William A Umlah of Hatchett Lake, Prospect Road to whom a shop license was granted last year, did not apply for a renewal this year.

As regards the application of Herbert Little of Terrence Bay, I submit herewith letters from the Rev Foster Almon protesting against the granting of a license to said applicants, and he makes a request that counsel be heard in support of said protest, which request, I trust the council may see fit to grant.

Regarding Wm. Toppie's application verbal objection was made to me against the granting of a license. I told the parties to put their objections in writing which has been done, and which objections I now submit to the council.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SEDGEWICK,

Halifax, Jan. 8th, 1908.

Chief Inspector

The financial statement of the License Inspector was then read.

*To His Honor the Warden and Municipal Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax:*

For the year ending 31st December 1907, the License Inspector begs leave to submit his report of convictions and statements of fines and fees. All the licenses granted by council in January last were taken out by the applicants.

There were 53 cases prosecuted, of which number 7 were dismissed and 46 convictions were obtained. The number of cases were less than the previous year, showing that there were less violations of the Liquor Act than in 1906.

From the small number of cases that were dismissed compared with those in which convictions were obtained it will be seen that the Inspector has been careful in regard to instituting prosecutions for the infringement of the Act.

He has been ready and willing to take proceedings in every case where the information supplied appeared to him to be *bona fide*.

The Inspector would also call attention to the fact that during the year he has endeavored to collect fines imposed on offenders in 1906, with the result that \$491.30 have been collected and paid by him to the County Treasurer. As to the uncollected fines on convictions in 1907 he wishes to say that a considerable proportion will be collected and in some cases the offenders will be committed to Jail.

The office of License Inspector is not a very pleasant one and in the carrying out of his duties the present incumbent has had some unpleasant experiences. He, however, wishes to state that when he took office he did so with the expectation of having many difficult duties to perform and he has ever sought to fulfil the requirements of the office without fear or favor.

The Inspector wishes again to express his thanks to the various councilmen with whom he has come in contact for their kindness and courtesy, to the County Stipendiary, County Clerk, County Treasurer, for their unfailing help and assistance and to the constables who have ably assisted the Inspector in the discharge of his duties.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. M. SEDGEWICK,  
Chief Inspector.

Halifax, January 6th, 1908.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF LICENSE INSPECTOR FOR YEAR 1907.

##### RECEIPTS.

March 15.	Angus Bowser for License	\$140 00
	Thomas McCartney	140 00
	H J Silver	140 00
	A M Scott	140 00
	William Topple	140 00
	John L Gooley	140 00
	Wm A Umlah	90 00
	Emma A Little	90 00
		\$1020 00
Dec. 15.	Deposits on applications for license:	
	Angus Bowser	\$ 10 00
	Joseph Stafford	10 00
	William Topple	10 00
	Herbert Little	10 00
	Charles Neal	10 00
	John L Gooley	10 00
	A M Scott	10 00
	H L Silver	10 00
	Allan McDnnald	10 00
	Thomas McCartney	10 00
		\$ 100 00
" 31.	Fines collected and paid Treasurer	1481 24
	Total Receipts	\$2601 24

##### EXPENDITURE.

Dec. 31.	Salary	\$ 400 00
	Allowance for 1906	100 00
	Personal Expenses	359 10
	Printing and Advertising	32 26
	Thomas Notting	25 00
	Maynard Bowman	9 00
	Costs in cases dismissed and on convictions not yet paid	151 10

Ar rests, searching and travel for Constable convey-  
ing to Jail .....

40 10

-----\$1116 56,

Balance in favor of County .....

1484 68

-----\$2601 24

Middle Musquodoboit,  
31st December, 1907.

W.M. M. SEDGEWICK,  
*Inspector.*

I certify that the amount of \$157.10 in cases dismissed and fines not paid for uncollected costs, is correct.

JOHN McDUGALL,

*Stip. Magistrate.*

Examined and found correct, W. H. STUDD, *Auditor.*

In connection with the report the following papers were handed in:

Letter from Rev. Foster Almon.

Letter from Messrs Murray & MacKinnon, Barristers, taking various legal objections in the interest of the Halifax Temperance Alliance and others.

Petition from residence of Terence Bay largely signed, requesting that no license be granted, also a letter from Rev P N Dion, P P to the same effect. Also a further petition from the people of Terence Bay and Prospect to the same effect. Further a letter from R H Murray claiming that owing to a failure to carry out the law on the part of the inspector made it impossible for the council to issue any licenses this year.

The consideration of the subject of granting licenses was then taken up. Councillor Howe wanted to know the difference between a shop license and a hotel license. This was explained by the Inspector.

Moved by Councillor Darragh, seconded by Councillor Hall that the discussion on granting license to Herbert Little be deferred until this afternoon session and that the general matter of granting licenses be taken up at once. Carried.

On motion it was agreed to hear the Rev Mr. Brown against the granting of licenses to sell liquor. On the subject he spoke to some length.

Mr. W. J. O'Hearn, harrister engaged by the liquor association spoke in favor of the granting of licenses, stating that some of the legal points taken by Mr. Murray were not well taken. Mr. Murray was also heard in rebuttal to Mr. O'Hearn.

On motion Mr. W. J. O'Hearn was again heard in rebuttal to Mr. Murray.

## Afternoon Session.

The Warden nominated the following councillors as a nominating committee to nominate standing committees, Councillors Longard, Negus, Hall, Christian, Rouan and Darragh.

Geo E Faulkner, M P P asked permission to address the council in connection with the new Road Act. He suggested a conference between the government and the council, so that the subject could be fully discussed and that the members of the council could be fully seized of the terms of the Act, and how it will work out. He remarked also that while the Act was passed last year it does not come into force until this year, and thought after a year of investigation some amendments may be found necessary.

Councillor Bishop thought the government should also take over the statute labor as well as the rest of the work, otherwise he approved the Act. He helieved there would be a clash between the two services unless the government took over the whole service.

Coun. Leslie thought the suggestion made by Mr. Faulkner was a good one.

Conn. Kent and Darragh also spoke.

On motion of Councillors Negus and Rounan it was decided to accept the proposal to meet the government at 3 p in Friday. Passed unanimously.

At this point the question of granting a license to Herbert Little came up again.

Councillor Darragh thought the licenses should be dealt with entirely by the government and refused to take any responsibility for the granting of any license. Councillors Slaunwhite and Bishop moved that the question of dealing with the application of Herbert Little be laid over until the others are dealt with. Amendment lost, 16-8.

Councillor Leslie spoke against the granting of any shop licences in the Eastern part of the county.

Councillor Longard opposed the granting of any licenses to parties in Preston. Councillor Temple thought headway should be made, deal with the amendment one way or the other, then get to work on the merits of the case.

The motion that the application of Herbert Little for license be not granted, then was put and passed, 21 to 5.

Moved by Councillors Roman and Smiley, that A. M. Scott be granted a license for the sale of liquor.

On this application there was much discussion. R. H. Murray was present to protest against the granting of the license to Mr. Scott on behalf of the Temperance Alliance.

A letter was read from O. P. Brown and W. S. Richardson, stating that they had measured the distance between the railway track and the Hotel Bellvue is 224 feet.

A large number of councillors took part in the discussion on the granting of this license. On vote the license was granted, 20 to 12.

A letter to the Warden from R. H. Murray was read objecting to the granting of licenses to Wm. Topple, Joseph Stafford, Thomas McCartney, John Gooley, Allan McDonald and Charles Neil. Mr. Murray made the request on behalf of the Halifax Temperance Alliance.

Moved by Councillors Piers and Fleming that the application of Wm. Topple for license be granted.

Moved by Councillors Temple and Negus that both sides be heard. Carried.

Rev. Mr. Christie was called upon. He claimed that from 12 to 18 names on the list were improperly there.

R. H. Murray followed and read a number of names which he claimed were not resident ratepayers and he claimed that the same has occurred in the preparation of other applications.

Councillor Temple suggested that the matter be referred to a committee to investigate. The fact that the name of a deceased man was on the list was serious. This alone made an inquiry necessary.

W. J. O'Hearn, barrister, on behalf of the Liquor Association then presented his view.

After some further discussion the council adjourned.

## Friday Morning.

Jan. 10th.

Council opened at 10.45.

The minutes were read. An amendment providing that a motion made by Couns. Slaunwhite and Piers to reconsider the granting of a license to H Little, which was omitted be embodied in the minutes. Also that the clause "moved and seconded by Councillors Temple and Negus that both sides be heard, carried," be struck out. The minutes were then confirmed on motion of Coun. Temple and Negus.

The vote for reconsideration of the above license was lost 19-5.

Alfred Whitman was present and asked leave through Councillor Bishop to address the council. This was granted. Mr. Whitman's purpose was to explain the question of damages claimed against the Halifax and South Western Railway. Mr. Whitman asked that the council receive a committee of the city council to consider a course of action. He claimed the county is not responsible for damages in connection with this road.

On motion the order of business was suspended to permit the fixing of an hour to receive a committee of the city council. The hour was fixed at 10.45 a.m. Monday. The Topple application for license then came up.

Councillors Ronnan and Smiley moved in amendment to the motion of the previous day, that Councillors Darragh, Lydiard, Freeman Boutilier and Bishop be empowered to investigate Wm Topple's application and report to the council on Monday next the 13th instant and that the License Inspector be requested to assist this committee.

Councillor Temple called the attention of the council to the fact that the license Inspector was clothed with full power to make all these investigations, and he is the one to make them aided if he desires by a committee of the council. A long discussion followed. Amendment carried 20-10.

On motion the application of John G Gooley, Pleasant View Hotel, was next taken up.

After another discussion it was decided to allow R. H. Murray to speak against the granting of this license, while about it Mr Murray spoke against the granting of several other licenses. The discussion then became general.

WJ O'Hearn then was given leave to address the council.

On the vote being taken it stood for 19-10.

## Afternoon Session.

Jan. 10th.

The council met at 2.40 and adjourned after roll call to confer with the government in connection with the Road Act and decided not to meet again that day.

The conference which followed lasted for the greater part of the afternoon and was valuable.

## Saturday Morning.

Jan. 11th.

Council met at 10.45. After roll call the minutes were read and adopted.

Councillor Temple brought up the question of the occupancy of the seat for District 17, (Sackville) and asked that the decision of the county court judge be read.

This brought out some discussion, Councillor Fleming stated he still occupied his seat on advice of counsel, pending an appeal.

Councillor Smith though Councillor Fleming should hold his seat until the appeal is settled. There were objections from Councillor Piers and others to the reading of the judgment.

Councillor Temple contended that the communication from the county court judge must be read.

The Warden stated that the council must take cognizance of the communication from the Judge.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and C E Conrod, that the business of the council be proceeded with.

Moved in amendment by Councillors Temple and Moren, that the communication of the County Court Judge regarding the Stephen and Fleming election petition be now read. Amendment carried.

The judgment of Judge Wallace was then read.

Councillor Longard believed while an appeal is pending the councillor has a right to keep his seat.

Councillor Temple claimed the judgment of the court must be obeyed.

Councillor Smith asked that the legal adviser of the council be asked to give an opinion as to what the council should do.

Councillor Bishop held the view that the appeal stopped proceedings.

Councillor Leslie took the view that Mr. Stephens now has a right to the seat.

Councillor Temple held there is not an appeal as yet so far as the council knows.

After considerable discussion Councillor Temple said there was only one thing to do. If Mr Stephen was present he should now present himself and be sworn in. Mr Stephen who was present at once presented himself and demanded that he be sworn a member of the council.

A number of councillors then requested the Warden to call in the legal adviser and get his opinion.

Stipendiary McDougall presented himself and stated that there was no doubt that Mr Stephens must be sworn in unless there is an appeal. If an appeal were taken and a stay of proceedings was granted by the Supreme Court the case would be complicated. He asked for time until the afternoon in which to go fully into the matter.

It was moved and seconded that the matter be deferred until this afternoon at 2.30.

At this point Councillor Fleming stated there must be an order of the court following the judgment before his seat became vacant.

Councillor Temple stated he would not press immediate action, if the Stipendiary wished time, but he insisted on action at 2.30.

The motion was then put to defer and passed unanimously.

The committee appointed to select standing committees reported as follows:—

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :*

GENTLEMEN,—Your committee beg leave to submit the following as Standing committees for the year 1908.

Finance—Councillors, Lydiard, Bishop, Stewart, Christian, Conrod, Kent, Woodworth.

Public Property Councillors, Ronnan, Negus, Longard, Conrod, Flemming, John J. Boutilier, Reyno.

Licenses—Councillors, C. E. Smith, Hall, Abel Boutilier, Moren, McLean, Stoddard Alexander F. Smith.

Roads and Bridges—Councillors, Longard, Lydiard, Leslie, Fleming, Abel Boutilier, Howe, Darragh.

Assessments—Councillors, Hall, Kaizer, Negus, Piers, Slaunwhite, Purcell, Freeman Boutilier.

Hospital for Insane—Councillors, Conrod, Bishop, Moren, Diggs, Smiley, Purcell, Stoddard, Myatt.

Law Amendments—Councillors, Temple, C E Smith, Darragh, Leslie, Kent, Ronnan, McLean.

Jury Lists—Councillors, Longard, Christian.

Committee on Poor—Councillors, Stewart, Piers, Slaunwhite, Alexander F Smith, Woodworth, Freeman Boutilier, Reyno.

Arbitration—The Warden, Councillors Temple, C E Smith, Moren, all of which is respectively submitted for your consideration and approval.

G H Longard, Chairman.

C W Christian, W F Negus, Fred D Darragh, F A Ronnan, Henry Hall. Councillor Smith wanted it settled that the chairman of the public property should visit the poor's farm every month.

Councillor Ronnan stated he had been ill for some time last year and hence had not visited as frequently as he would have liked.

The report on motion was adopted.

On motion it was agreed to hear Rev. Mr. McKinnon against the granting of a license to Thos. McCartney.

On the vote being taken the license was granted 18—13.

On motion the application of Joseph Stafford was taken up. The application was refused 21—11.

Notice of reconsideration was given by Councillor C E Smith.

H L Silver was granted a license. Vote 18—11.

On motion council adjourned to 2.30 p m.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.45. Deputy Warden Bishop in the chair. The minutes were read and approved.

The reconsideration of the Stafford application then came up. On motion being put the vote stood 16—13. Moved and seconded that Joseph Stafford's application be granted.

Councillor Temple spoke against the granting of this license on the ground that the conditions did not comply with the law.

Councillor Leslie asked if the Inspector had power to inquire into the character of the applicant, who in this case is asking for a license for the first time. Carried 17-13.

On motion Angus Bowser's license was granted 19-9.

On motion to grant Chas Neil a license a discussion arose, Councillor Leslie was opposed to granting the license, so also Councillor Kent. Councillor Stoddart spoke in favor of granting the license. Lost 15-16.

Councillor Smith gave notice of reconsideration.

The clerk stated he had a letter from W B A Ritchie bearing on the election in District 17. Councillor Temple objected to the reading of the letter, as Mr Ritchie had no standing before this council.

On motion of Councillors Smith and Stoddart, that letter be read and that opposing council be heard briefly.

Councillor Ronnan thought the letter should be read, a number of councillors supported each. At length Stipendiary McDougall was called upon to give his opinion. His opinion was that an appeal in itself does not constitute a stay of proceedings, as in this case there is no stay of proceedings, the course is clear and Mr Stephens has a right to be sworn in without delay.

The discussion went on to considerable length. Mr. Stephen in the meantime was called to the desk to be sworn. At length the vote to read the letter was put and carried 26-4.

The substance of the letter was that proceedings had been applied for and requested the council to delay action on the judgment until it was found whether Judge Wallace would grant the stay or not.

Mr Cluney was then called upon to reply. A motion to adjourn was at once made. The motion was lost 10-17.

On motion of Councillor Temple and Negus resolved that Mr. Stephen be now sworn in as councillor for District 17.

Councillor Longard considered the motion out of order and gave reasons, this view was concurred in and the Warden directed the clerk to administer the oath which he did and Councillor Stephen took his seat.

The question of granting a license to Allan McDonald then came up. Councillor Diggs made his maiden speech on this application. He said he was opposed to this license being granted in his district because the house was too near the church and he feared the granting of this license would cause unseemly disturbances. The Inspector on being questioned stated the applicant had been convicted three times for illegal keeping for sale.

Moved and seconded by Councillors Kent and Diggs that the application of Allan McDonald for a license be refused. Carried unanimously.

Council then adjourned.

## Monday Morning.

JANUARY 13th.

Council met at 10.40. After roll call the minutes were read and confirmed.

On motion of Councillor Stoddart and C. E. Smith, the reconsideration of the granting of a license to Charles Neil came up. The motion was lost 11-11.

A question arose as to whether the Warden should vote or not. The Warden thought it better to take the vote over again. Councillor Leslie strongly objected. The motion had been declared lost and it should stand. The vote as recorded stood.

Ald. Alfred Whitman on behalf of the committee from the city council, which was present, then addressed the council in respect to the damages for right of way in connection with the Halifax and Southwestern Railway. He went into the legal aspects of the case and read the legislation passed on the subject.

Ald. Hubley followed claiming if the Keho claim was opened up other cases would follow. It would be hard to say how many.

Thomas Forhan then addressed the council. His view was the government should pay the damages and that both the city and county should not have to pay damages.

P. Keho desired to address the council. Permission was granted. He went fully into his alleged grievances.

Councillor Temple was strongly opposed to granting any further relief. He considered the railway should settle its own bills. His views seemed to fully express those of the members of the council.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Temple that the question of legislation referred to by the special committee of the Halifax city council respecting land damages be referred to the Law Amendments Committee. Carried unanimously.

The clerk read the report of the special committee appointed in April last, under precept to lay out and survey a piece of road in District 38. The report was accompanied by a plan and a bill of \$11.60 for the services of the committee. On motion the report was adopted.

A motion to adjourn at 12.10 carried.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.40. The minutes were amended to read that Allan McDonald was convicted for keeping liquor for sale and adopted.

Moved by councillor C E Smith seconded by S W Lydiard,

*Resolved*, that the County Council hereby approves of the Act to provide for the enlarging and improving of the Court House at Halifax, passed on the 28th day of April, 1906, being amended so that the amount to be provided for the purpose of enlarging and improving such Court House be increased from a sum of money not in any event to exceed twenty-one thousand dollars to the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, and agrees on behalf of the Municipality of the County of Halifax, that the portion of said sum to be provided by the Province of Nova Scotia shall be one-third thereof, and that said Act be amended so as to authorize the issue of debentures by the Municipality of the County of Halifax to the amount of sixteen thousand six hundred and sixty-seven dollars, such debentures to bear interest at the rate not exceeding four and a half per centum per annum.

*Further Resolved*, that the Warden and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute on behalf of the Municipality of the County of Halifax, any agreement that shall be required to carry out the purposes of this resolution, and that upon said Act being so amended, the Warden and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to borrow the said sum of sixteen thousand six hundred and sixty-seven dollars, and to execute the necessary debentures on behalf of the Municipality.

*Resolved*, that the City Council hereby approves of the Act to provide for the enlarging and improving of the Court House at Halifax, passed on the 28th day of April, 1906, being amended so that the amount to be provided for the purpose of enlarging and improving such Court be increased from a sum of money not in any event to exceed twenty-one thousand dollars to a sum of money not in any event to exceed twenty-five thousand dollars, and agree that the portion of said sum to be provided by the Province of Nova Scotia shall be one-third thereof, and that said Act be amended so as to authorize the issue of debentures by the Municipality of the County of Halifax to an amount sufficient to raise the remaining two-thirds of said sum.

*Further resolved*, that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute on behalf of the City of Halifax any agreement that shall be required to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

Councillor Smith explained that the increased amount asked for was made necessary owing to the increased costs of material, etc.

The Warden stated that the court house is now undergoing repairs and the chimneys are not working properly, consequently the work should be proceeded with as quickly as possible.

Councillor Temple expressed the view that the present court house is not in keeping with the needs of the service. It is not now and will not when completed be commensurate to the needs of the county. The county if able should have a court house in which it could point with some degree of pride.

Councillor Bishop was of the opinion that the Provincial government was to give \$10,000 to the work of improvement.

Councillor Smith stated that Councillor Bishop was under a misapprehension. The Government gives one-third of the total cost whatever that may be.

Councillor Bishop said that was quite satisfactory.

The resolution on being put to vote passed unanimously

The clerk stated that the original cost of the building was \$49,000, but has cost in all outside of equipments a total of \$80,000. Most of the equipment was and is paid for by the various officers such as the Prothonotary.

The clerk read a petition from residents of Districts 19, Gay's River, asking for the construction of a short piece of road to connect with a bridge now being built by the Government across Rankins Brook on South Brauch, Gay's River. The petition had 28 signers. Referred to committee on Roads and Bridges.

Another petition from district No. 12, requesting the construction of a road to connect Umlahs Point with the main post road. Referred to the Roads and Bridge Committee.

The report of the road supervisor of district 32 was read, stating that about \$150 would be required to put the road from the post road to Boutilier's siding in repair. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Clerk read report of John H. Gould, Supervisor Roads District No. 21; report of W. H. Parlee, District No. 24; report of A. S. Innis, custodian of Porters Lake Bridge; report of Ephraim Myatt, custodian of Canterbury Bridge. He stated that this bridge would fall if repairs were not made this spring. These were all referred to the Road and Bridge Committee. Report from Percy Russell, custodian Rocky Run Bridge, District No. 29. He stated that over 1000 teams had crossed this bridge during the year and that he had opened the draw whenever necessary. He asked that he be paid the amount of \$15 voted for the service.

On motion the sum of \$15 was voted and the report referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

D. A. Johnston, District No. 8, reported that he had collected \$6.50 road tax and had expended \$7.75, a balance of \$1.25 being now due him. Referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Moved by Councillors Stoddard and Kent that Daniel Warnal, District No. 27, be appointed custodian of Salmon River drawbridge. Passed.

The following petition was read :

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :*

We, the undersigned residents and ratepayers of District No. 21, Middle Musquoloboit, in the County of Halifax, being freeholders, and desirous of having a portion of said District No. 21 made a Close Section,

Do hereby petition your honorable body to establish a close section, to embrace all of the north school section, and a portion of Elmsvale section in District No. 21.

The petition had over 45 signatures of ratepayers of the District. This was spoken to by the Warden, Councillors Stewart and Howe. They were against the granting of the petition on the ground that a very large area of pasture land would be rendered unavailable if the petition were granted.

A counter petition with 85 signatures was also presented requesting that the former petition be not granted. Both were referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

The report and accounts of the Nova Scotia Hospital was presented. On motion the report was referred to the Committee on Insane. The total expense of this institution to the county was \$3747.58. The number of inmates was 31 and the average cost about \$142.

The report of the Revisors of Assessments was read and referred to the Committee on Assessments.

There was considerable criticism on the system and instances were cited of very small assessment on large properties.

The report of Dr. W. D. Forrest, Health Officer for the county, was read and on motion the report was adopted and Dr. Forrest was reappointed. Accompanying the report were a number of bills.

A number of bills from the Lawrencetown district relating to the epidemic of smallpox last season were presented, but no report from the board of health of that district accompanied them. Referred to the Finance committee.

On motion the bills from the Board of Health for District 29 for the suppression of smallpox be referred to the Finance Committee. Carried.

The report and accounts of the Board of Health for District No. 36, East Chezzetcooke, were read and referred to the Finance Committee.

The report of Dr. Trenaman on the sanitary condition of the county jail was read and referred to the Public Property Committee. The report showed the sanitary conditions of the Jail excellent.

Reports from a number of the overseers of the poor were submitted and referred to the Committee on Poor. The clerk requested the remaining reports be handed in.

The clerk requested that the lists of district officers for 1908, and the Warden named Wednesday morning be the time, in order that they might be considered and printed.

## Tuesday Morning.

JANUARY 14th.

Council met at 10.45. After roll call the minutes were read and confirmed.

A voluminous report of the Halifax County Jail, giving a detailed account of the prisoners, etc. was presented and portions read by the clerk.

On motion of Councillors C. E. Smith and Stewart the report was received and adopted.

The accounts of the Board of Health for District 28 were read and on motion of Councillors Moren and Temple they were referred to the committee on finance and public accounts.

The report of the Board of Health for District 24 was read and on motion of Councillors Darragh and Temple was adopted.

The report of Parker Archibald, County Treasurer, was read. The statements were printed and placed on the desks of members of the council. The receipts were \$62,005.52 and the expenditure was \$4,627.45 less.

On motion of Councillors Bishop and Kent the report was adopted.

The report of the auditors is as follows :

*To the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County :*

We beg to report that we have examined the books and vouchers of the County Treasurer for the year ending December 31st, 1907, which we have found correct and in accordance with his statement submitted for your consideration and that the cash on hand is as shown by the statement \$4627.45.

W. C. BISHOP } Auditors.  
W. H. STUDD }

On motion of Councillors Smith and Freeman Boutillier the report was adopted.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Leslie that W. C. Bishop and W. H. Studd be appointed auditors for the ensuing year. Carried.

The committee appointed to make inquiry respecting the granting of a license to Wm. Toppie reported as follows :

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors :*

The Special Committee appointed to investigate the matter of Wm. Toppie's liquor license are of the opinion that the objections offered were not sustained.

F. D. DARRAGH  
S. W. LYDIARD  
W. BISHOP  
FREEMAN BOUTILLIER.

On motion of Councillors Temple and Stoddard the report was adopted.

Councillor Lydiard thought Inspector Sedgewick's name should be on the report as he had assisted. This raised considerable discussion, in which Councillors Bishop, Longard and others took part.

At this point the Warden stated that there was no motion before the council.

The License Inspector stated that he fully concurred in the report of the committee. Subsequently he made the following endorsement on the report :

" I approve of the above report."

WM. SEDGEWICK, Inspector.

On motion of Councillors Darragh and Hall that the license to Wm. Toppie be granted, the motion carried 22-8.

The report of Joseph Spencer, Coroner's Constable for the county was read and on motion of Councillors Temple and Moren was adopted.

Joseph Spencer, B. C. Cruickshank, and John R. Snow made application for the position of coroner's constable.

Moved by Councillor C. E. Smith, seconded by Councillor Moren that Joseph Spencer be nominated coroner's constable.

Moved by Councillors Darragh and Stephen that B. C. Cruickshanks be nominated as a candidate for coroner's constable.

Moved by Councillors Temple and E. E. Conrod that John R. Snow be nominated as coroner's constable.

On these names a ballot was taken which resulted in the election of J. Spencer on the first ballot.

Council adjourned.

## Afternoon Session.

The council met at 2.40. The minutes were read and approved.

Councillor Temple brought up the matter of accounts coming in without a report. He thought that no accounts should be considered without said report. This was the opinion of the council also and the clerk was requested to see that the reports are forthcoming.

Councillor Longard asked if the applicants for license who deposit \$10 each shall be refunded the amount of the deposit if the license is not granted.

The Stipendiary stated that the applicant has no right under the law to have his money back.

The Inspector showed that the application involved expense, as examination of the premises has to be made and advertising has to be done, among other things.

On motion of Councillors Darragh and Longard the report of the License Inspector was received and adopted.

Councillor Darragh thought the council could refund if it so desired.

Moved by Councillors Smith and Temple that the three applicants for liquor license applied for and refused by this council and whereas they have had to pay the sum of \$10 each; therefore resolved that the said sum be returned to each of the applicants so refused.

Councillor Temple thought the deposit should in fairness be returned but there was a question as to whether the council can make the refund. The precedent has been established by previous councils. He thought that one section of the license act would bear the construction that the council could refund. The motion to refund on vote being taken carried unanimously.

In connection with the reappointment of the license Inspector Councillor Darragh asked that the License Inspector be heard in connection with the question of salary. He stated that he was quite unable to accept the position at the figure he has been receiving. He found the work greatly increased and almost his whole time has to be given to the work.

He also showed that the surplus from his office amounted to considerably over \$6000. There has also been a surplus every year. Further, he always conducted his cases in court thereby saving expense. Quite a discussion arose as to the amount of the salary to be granted.

Moved by Councillors Darragh and Bishop that the License Inspector, Wm. H. Sedgewick be appointed at a salary of \$600 for the ensuing year.

Moved in amendment by Councillor Longard and Smith that the License Inspector's salary (Mr. Sedgewick) be \$750 for the ensuing year.

Councillor Smith spoke strongly in favor of the larger salary for the reason that the area the inspector has to cover, the increased difficulties of the position, and the difficulty of getting a good man made it necessary to pay a man well.

Councillor Bishop was in favor of granting more licenses and thereby cutting down the illicit sale.

Councillor Temple thought perhaps \$600 was about the right amount. If he knew the situation better he might be willing to vote the larger sum.

The amendment was lost 18 12. The motion was then put and carried 21-9.

On motion of Councillors Longard and Kent that Inspector Sedgewick receive the sum of \$150 as a bonus on last year's salary. Carried.

The report of the Stipendiary Magistrate was read and adopted.



*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax:*

The clerk of license begs leave to submit the following report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1907

During the year 24 pedlars licenses were issued realizing the sum of \$460. After payment of the salaries of the Inspector of Pedlars License viz \$100, and of the Clerk of Licenses \$50, there remains a balance of \$310 to the credit of this fund. On account of a very large number of the pedlars travelling throughout the county being foreigners, it is very difficult to ascertain their names, but in many cases endeavours to secure their names has resulted in their coming in and taking out the license. During the year 3 ferry licenses were issued.

Herewith is a statement of licenses issued.

Respectfully submitted

PARKER ARCHIBALD,  
Clerk of License

The report on motion was received and adopted.

Harry Wright, Inspector of Pedlar's Licenses reported as follows:

*To His Honor the Warden and Municipal Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County.*

The Inspector of Pedlar's Licenses begs leave to report:

I have endeavored during the past year to perform the duties pertaining to the office to the best of my ability—Several offenders have been prosecuted for breach of the Pedlar's Bylaw, and resulted in fines being imposed, or the parties being compelled to take out a license entitling them to peddle.

As will be shown by the report of the Clerk of License the sum of \$460 was received for licenses during the year, and that 24 licenses were issued.

The Inspector expresses the opinion that through the efforts made to enforce the by-law, there are very few pedlars prosecuting their business within the municipality.

Respectfully submitted

HARRY WRIGHT

Councillor C E Smith thought a great injustice had been done at the last sitting of the council. The License Inspector had been granted more money because he had performed his duty to the entire satisfaction of the council. The case of Harry Wright was similar. He had offered to take the office at a salary of \$100, and had agreed if the fees did not amount to that sum he would take the fees accruing. He had made the office a revenue producer, and now to leave him out and give his office to another person was not a fair thing. He was absent when Constable Umlah was made Inspector of Pedlars License, but he thought it unfair. This was generally agreed to by the council. Councillor Temple took the same view.

Councillor Bishop said if Constable Umlah did not get this position he should get more salary. He could not live on the salary now paid.

Councillors Howe and Leslie stated they were under the impression that Mr. Wright was living in Lunenburg.

Harry Wright's report was accompanied by an application for reappointment as inspector of pedlars' license. He also applied for appointment as County Constable.

On motion of Councillors Smith and W. A. Temple that the resolution passed by this council appointing Frederick Umlah County Constable and Inspector Pedlars' License be rescinded was passed. The vote stood 16-13.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Longard that Chief Constable Umlah be reappointed and that his salary be \$500. for the present year.

Moved in amendment by Councillors Negus and Stoddard that the salary of the Chief County Constable be \$450 for the ensuing year and that Constable Umlah be reappointed. The amendment carried, 21-11.

On motion Councillors Lydiard and Smith, Harry Wright was reappointed as Inspector of Pedlars' License at a salary of \$100 and fines imposed and collected.

The County Treasurer read a statement showing the county rates assessed, the amount paid and the amounts still remaining unpaid. The total of the rates assessed was \$27,631.17. Amount collected at end of year 1907 was \$24,865.58, the amount uncollected at that date was \$2765.59. A large portion of this amount has been paid in during the present year. The report was adopted.

On motion of Councillors Ronnan and J. J. Boutilier, D. McDougall was reappointed as Deputy County Constable.

Moved by Councillor Longard and Bishop that the council adjourn at 12 o'clock on Thursday the 16th to give any councillor who wishes to visit the county poor's farm an opportunity to do so. Carried.

Moved by Councillor Leslie and Stephen that Dr. Trenaman be reappointed physician of the county jail for the ensuing year at the same salary as last year. Carried.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.40. Minutes read and adopted.

Moved by Councillors Ronnan and Boutilier that R. H. Scriven be appointed a county constable without salary. Carried.

Councillors Temple and Smith gave notice of motion that at a future meeting they would move that the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Halifax County join the Nova Scotia Union of Municipalities.

Moved by Councillors Temple and Stoddard that a bill from Alex McInnis District 37 for swearing in district officers be referred to the Finance Committee.

On motion a bill for \$41.37 for repairing a bridge in District 14, was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

On motion a bill for \$7.15 for work performed in section 5 of District 32 was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Moved and seconded by Councillors Boutilier and McLan, that Stipendiary McDougall and Councillor Ronnan be a committee to certify two candidates for commission to the N. S. Hospital. Carried.

On motion a bill of \$8.55 for repairs to bridges in Section 14 and of District 38 be referred to the road and bridge committee.

On motion a bill for \$11.90 for a bridge in District 19 was referred to Road and Bridge Committee.

Councillor Bishop claimed that all these accounts should either be paid for by the district or by the government. The county has nothing to do with the matter.

Moved and seconded by Councillors C. E. Smith and Stewart, that Parker Archibald be reappointed Clerk of License for the ensuing year at the same salary. Carried.

Moved and seconded by Councillors Smith and Stewart that when the amount of county rates remaining unpaid in any year, in any district exceeds two per cent of the total amount levied on such district, the clerk is hereby authorized, empowered and instructed to add to the amount to be levied for the following year on said district, the amount of such deficit over and above said two per cent.

On this motion there was considerable discussion. There was a strong feeling among the councillors to the effect that each district should be responsible for any deficit arising in that district, some however felt that losses arising in any district should be distributed over all.

The Clerk read a clause of the statute bearing on subject. Councillors Temple and Moren moved that the motion touching country rates remaining unpaid be referred to the Finance and Public accounts committee. This motion carried.

Moved and seconded by Councillors C. E. Smith and Stewart that in the collection of rates for non residents, the collectors be allowed all sums of money for postage and all discount on cheques and also the costs of remitting moneys to the county treasurer by post office order or registered letter. Carried.

Moved and seconded by Councillors Stewart and Smith that whereas, it will be necessary to borrow money by overdraft on the bank for the purpose of defraying expenditure of the Municipality for the current year, and whereas it is necessary that authority be given by this council to authorize such overdraft.

Therefore Resolved, That this council approve of and authorize such overdraft in the Union Bank of Halifax to the extent of and not to exceed the sum of \$10,000. Carried.

A discussion arose over the collection of the 30 cent head tax, as to a large extent it fell on the heads of families. It is also a difficult tax to collect.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and E. E. Conrod that the 30 cent poll tax as provided by a law as a special tax be not collected this year.

Councillor Temple thought the 30 cents too small. His view was that no man should pay less than \$1 tax and any male person over 21 years of age shall pay a poll tax of \$1 00.

The motion not to collect the 30 cent tax this year was carried 19 13. Councillor Smith moved a reconsideration.

The debate on the 30 cent head tax occupied some time. Parker Archibald the County Treasurer showed the tax brought in nearly \$500 from young men who paid no other tax, hence, this amount did not have to be assessed on property owners, lessening the rates by that amount. The proposition to tax all who pay taxes a sum not less than \$1 each met with approval from many councillors, and the proposal to tax all men not assessed the sum of \$1 each received general acceptance.

Moved by Councillor Smiley and McLean that the bounty on wild cats be \$3 and \$5 on bears.

Moved in amendment by Councillors Longard and Hall that the bounty on bears be \$4 and wild cats \$2. Amendment carried.

Moved by Councillors E Howe and Woodworth that a tax of \$1 be levied on all dogs and \$3 on each bitch. Councillors Piers was opposed.

Councillors Howe and Stoddart told of the great losses farmers meet through the dogs running at large.

Councillor Temple wanted the Stipendiary's opinion as to whether the council has the power and machinery to carry out such a law.

Councillor Smith stated that some hundreds of sheep have been killed in his district. Carried, 21-12.

Moved by Councillors A F Smith and Woodworth, that road section No 3, District 24 be extended to the west side of Round Lake Bridge, which will wipe out Section No, 8 and put the two sections in one. Carried.

Councillor Leslie brought up the question of the reduction of the number of councillors for the municipality. The arrangement of districts is bad. There are some districts which are six times larger than others and have that proportion of assessable property.

Councillor Leslia also gave notice of the following motion :

*Whereas*, Under the existing law, there are two meetings County of Council in each year.

*And whereas*, one of the principal orders of business heretofore transacted by the council was the apportionment of the road moneys contributed by the Local Government towards the maintenance of roads.

*And whereas*, By legislation enacted in 1907 provision has been made for the distribution of the road moneys apart from the council.

*Therefore Resolved* that this Council is of the opinion that there is now no sufficient reason for holding more than one regular meeting of the council in each year, said meeting to be held in the month of February.

*Further Resolved* that application be made at the ensuing meeting of the Local Legislature to have the Municipal Act amended in so far as the same relates to this Municipality, to give effect to the terms of this resolution.

## Thursday Morning.

JANUARY 16th.

Council met at 10:30. Minutes read approved. The notice of reconsideration given by Councillor C. E. Smith in connection with the 30c. head tax was withdrawn. A discussion then arose as to the methods to be employed to collect the dog taxes.

Councillor Lydiard spoke strongly in favor of the tax showing how the sheep raising industry is suffering in his district. Councillors Howe and C. E. Smith and several other councillors were strongly in favor of the tax. The Warden showed that the most dangerous and destructive dogs are those which become professional sheep killers. These dogs never kill near home and it is very difficult to identify such dogs and still more difficult to catch them in the act.

Councillors Bishop and Purcell moved that the resolution passed relating to the taxing of dogs in the county be rescinded. Lost 7-24

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Stewart that the council request Stipendiary McDougall to draft a bylaw regulating the registration and all matters that may in any way relate to the carrying out of said tax. Carried.

Graham Creighton, Inspector of Schools for Halifax County, asked permission to address the council on the dangers of a plant now becoming general in this county commonly called "Stinking Willie." This plant has caused great destruction to cattle in Pictou county already. He showed how the plant is spread and how dangerous it is to oxen and cows. Sheep are not so much affected by this weed. Inspector Creighton showed how the plant is steadily spreading and he felt certain that once it got a firm hold on the upper reaches of the Musquodoboit river the country below would be ruined. Cattle cannot live on a farm which is covered with this weed. He had himself lost a large number of cattle through the agency of this dangerous weed. He left a book containing a full description of the weed, botanically called "Common Ragwort", with colored plates by which the plant can be easily identified. It was suggested that a committee be appointed to fully consider ways and means. The matter was then dropped.

Councillors Temple and C. E. Smith moved that the municipality of the county of Halifax join the Nova Scotia Municipality. Councillor Temple supported this motion by a strong speech setting forth the value of this organization in the way of securing legislation valuable to the county and in opposing all legislation adverse to the municipality. The Warden also strongly favored the motion. The motion on vote passed unanimously.

Moved by Councillors Moren and Negus that the county clerk be requested to notify the president and secretary of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities of the resolution of the municipality of the county of Halifax to join the union and that the treasurer be requested to pay the necessary fee. Carried.

Moved by Councillor C. E. Smith and E. E. Conrod that Harry Wright be appointed constable for the municipality without salary. Carried.

At this point Councillors Lydiard and Stephen moved that the Warden appoint a committee of seven to inquire into the ragwort weed and any other injurious weed and to report to this council at the April session, the necessary steps required to be taken to eradicate the same should it make its appearance in the county. Carried.

The Warden appointed Councillors Lydiard, Smith, Negus, Stewart, Longard, Howe and Woodworth,

Councillors Howe and McLean gave notice of motion that the amount to be paid by liquor license applicants taking out licenses be \$300 for the ensuing year.

Council then adjourned to Friday morning at 10.30 in order to allow all members who desired to visit the Poor's Farm at Cole Harbor.

## Friday Morning.

January, 17th, 1908.

Council met at 10.30, Warden in the chair. Minutes read and approved.

On motion of Councillors Temple and Kent the report of Councillors Stoddart regarding Salmon River drawbridge was received and adopted. He stated that the custodian had died and his widow has seen that the bridge has been properly worked.

Moved by Councillors Stoddart and Howe that John Newcomb, District 27, be appointed Ferryman to operate the ferry at Lower Ship Harbor. Carried.

Councillors Howe and McLean moved that the fee for liquor licenses be increased to \$300 for the ensuing year. The motion brought on a debate at once.

Councillor Howe stated that he favored high license. It was stated here that there was any amount of illicit selling, this high license would cure. The man who had to pay high license would see that illicit selling will cease.

Councillors Bishop and C. E. Smith opposed any higher fee. The business would not stand any higher rate.

Stipendiary McDougall stated that the general law fixed the license fee and he felt certain the legislature would not increase the license fee to the figure named.

Moved in amendment by Councillors Smith and Stewart that the amount of liquor license fee be the same as heretofore. Shop \$100, Hotel \$150.

Moved in amendment to the amendment by Councillors Temple and Negus that the fee for all liquor licenses be \$250. The amendment to the amendment, carried 20-10.

On motion of Councillors Christian and Reno the motion in regard to the increase of the liquor license fee be referred to the Special Committee on legislation to secure the necessary legislation. Carried.

The special committee appointed at the last session to examine the lands offered to the county by Sir Sanford Fleming for a new road on the west side of the North West Arm and also to see Sir Sanford, reported that they have examined the land and seen Sir Sanford and appreciate his offer for free land for said road but advised that the cost of building the road be ascertained before the offer be closed with.

The report, on motion of Councillors Temple and Howe, was referred to the Road and Bridge Committee. Carried.

Moved by C. E. Smith, seconded by W. A. Temple.

Whereas, by the agreement made by, and between the Halifax and Southwestern Railway Company and the Government of Nova Scotia, said agreement being confirmed by Chapter 1 of the Local Acts of 1902, the said Halifax and Southwestern Railway Company became bound to build a line of railway from Halifax to Barrington Passage and other points west of Halifax.

And Whereas the county council of the County of Halifax, in the year 1902, agreed to pay the lump sum of \$50,000, and no more, to assist said Company in defraying the cost of the right of way for said railway from the City of Halifax to the Lunenburg County line.

And whereas, the County of Halifax was by Chapter 83, Local Acts 1903, authorized to borrow said sum of \$5000. for the purpose set out in the next proceeding paragraph hereof

And whereas, the county council has, some three or more years ago, paid the said sum of \$5000. and fully carried out their said engagement.

And whereas, long after the said County council performed their said engagement, and paid said lump sum of \$5000., the Legislature of Nova Scotia by Chapter 80 of the Local Acts of 1907, made the said County council conjointly with the City council of the City of Halifax liable to a greater or less amount, but not specifically stated to pay one Patrick Kehoe both for the injuries caused by said railway going through his property in respect to the land actually taken by said railway, and also the extent to which the remainder of the said property is injuriously affected beyond the sum of \$209.00, which was the amount of damages awarded said Kehoe by the Commissioners appointed under the provisions of Chapter 75 of the Local Acts of 1903.

And whereas, the opening up of the award of said Patrick Kehoe in so far as this council is concerned, would be a precedent for the opening of the award of every person between the City of Halifax and the Lunenburg County line, and would thus entail much dissatisfaction and expense.

And whereas, this council are of the opinion that they are not morally or in any other way responsible for such damages.

Therefore Resolved, That this Council, feel that they would be justified in refusing to join in the appointment of any arbitrator as provided by said Chapter 80, Acts 1907.

And Further Resolved, That they repudiate and refuse to entertain any claim of said Kehoe.

And Further Resolved, That this council repudiate any responsibility for this legislation.

And Further Resolved, That this council request the Local Legislature at their next session to repeal said Chapter 80, Acts 1907.

And Further Resolved. That copies of these resolutions be sent to the members of the Local Legislature from the County of Halifax. and that a committee of six from this Council be appointed to wait upon the said members of the Local Legislature and request them to secure the repeal of said Chapter 80, Acts of 1907, and that said committee have power to cooperate with the Halifax City council or any committee of the said City council in order to obtain the repeal of said legislation.

Moved by Councillors Temple and C. E. Smith, that a committee on legislation consisting of C. E. Smith, Temple, Bishop, Lydiard, the Warden, the Stipendiary, County Clerk and County Treasurer, be appointed to look after all legislation sought by and affecting the municipality of Halifax county and that at the next session of the legislature the committee be instructed to meet and confer with the committee appointed by the Halifax City Council regarding legislation during the session of 1907 respecting land damages on the Halifax and South Western Railway. Carried.

Councillor Bishop presented a petition with about one hundred signatures attached requesting that the council would take such measures as it may be considered necessary to have the bylaws passed by the legislature regarding the selling of agricultural products throughout Halifax by the farmers residing near Halifax repealed.

This petition has reference to the new bylaws passed in the interests of a few people in Halifax who wish to prevent market gardeners and country people generally from disposing of their goods except at the green market.

Stipendiary McDougall stated that the County Clerk has written to the Halifax City Council asking for a conference regarding the matter. This letter the city never acknowledged but later it was moved in the City Council that the license be reduced from \$20 to \$5. The County Clerk again wrote the city, the City Clerk then wrote saying the reduction would probably meet the views of the country.

Councillor Lydiard spoke at length regarding the tax imposed by the Halifax City Council on Market Gardeners and country people generally. He outlined the steps which had been taken by District No 31 and other districts in the vicinity of the city in connection with this matter. He stated that petitions had been circulated throughout the county asking the Legislature at its next session to repeal said act in so far as it relates to the products of the farm, forest and the sea. He further stated that although the City Council had in mind the reduction of the License fee from \$20.00 to \$5.00, yet the principle involved was the same. The City of Halifax should not have any greater powers than that given to other towns and municipalities throughout the province. He would therefore present the following resolution.

Moved and seconded by Councillors Lydiard and Piers as follows :

Moved by Councillor Lydiard, seconded by Piers.

*Whereas*, By Section 502 of the Charter of the City of Halifax, it was enacted that no person shall carry on business as a hawker, peddler or petty chapman, or other petty tradesmen, or by going from place to place on foot or with any goods for sale, without having first taken out a license therefor, subject to certain exceptions therein mentioned under a penalty not exceeding twenty dollars, and in default imprisonment for a period not exceeding one month.

*And whereas*, By said section it was enacted that the City Council may by ordinance fix the amount of license payable in respect to the trades mentioned, and the said council did under and by virtue of said Section pass an ordinance requiring any such hawker, peddler or petty chapman, who uses a horse and cart in plying his vocation to take out a license annually and pay therefor the sum of twenty dollars.

*And whereas*, The said section and the ordinance passed by virtue thereof, injuriously affects over five hundred farmers and market gardeners who supply the products of their farms and gardens to the citizens of the city of Halifax, and expend the proceeds in the purchase of goods and the necessaries of life from the tradesmen in the city, and said ordinance also prevents the fishermen from selling by retail the products of the sea.

*And whereas*, By the Municipal Act, and the Town's Incorporation Act, no Municipality or Town has the right to impose a license on any person selling the products of the farm, forest or sea within its limits.

*Therefore Resolved*, That this Council protests against any discrimination in regard to the laws relating to peddlars in the city of Halifax and those within the Municipalities and Towns within the province.

*Therefore Resolved*, That unless the said ordinance passed by the Council of the city of Halifax be rescinded, then that application be made at the ensuing meeting of the Legislature of this Province to amend Section 502 of the said Charter so that no person shall be required to take out a license to enable him to sell within the city of Halifax the products of the farm, forest or sea.

The motion passed unanimously.

Councillor Negus informed the council that farmers who had received orders from persons in the city for produce, say five bushels of potatoes had been compelled to refuse the order because the city law made it a crime for the farmer to deliver the goods. The farmers throughout the county are now being organized to have this law repealed at the next session of the legislature.

Moved by Councillors Temple and Negus, that the petition and resolution of the country farmer re city of Halifax imposing a license or sale of products of the farm be referred to the committee on legislation to co-operate with the farmer's committee with instructions to use every effort to secure the repeal by the legislature of the bye-law under which it is imposed, carried unanimously.

Moved by Councillors Temple and Moren, that the Stipendiary be requested to submit at the next session of the council for the consideration of the council the methods that can now be legally adopted in order to at the least secure some measure of revenue for county purposes from the Nova Scotia Telephone company.

and to suggest what legislation might be necessary to secure at least a fair contribution of taxes from that company. Carried unanimously.

Councillor Temple spoke strongly and fully on the question and showed how unfairly the telephone companies use the public. Farmers are compelled to build their own lines in order to get service at half decent rates, and where these farmers lines want connection with the general telephone company the company demands a huge share of the proceeds derived therefrom. Councillor Temple stated this was the beginning probably of a big fight but the company has got to come down and serve the needs of the people at a fair price.

Councillors Temple and Moren gave notice of motion that the schedule of fees for pedlars and hawkers licenses be increased to

\$50 for two horses and vehicle, etc.

30 " one horse.

20 " hand cart, etc.

20 " pack bag, basket, etc.

Council adjourned.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2 40 The minutes were read and approved.

A bill from district 23 for road expenditure on roads was on motion referred to the Road and Bridge Committee.

Councillor Leslie brought up resolution of which he gave notice previously to reduce the number of councillors and abolish the April session. He showed that under the present system the council cost the county about \$2500 per year, while by reducing the council to 20 members, which he thought quite sufficient, the cost of the council to the county under the new system would be about \$1000 thereby making a saving to the county annually the sum of about \$1500.

It was shown that it was, at present, only possible to abolish the April session, as this council has been elected for three years; at the end of that time the second portion can be carried out. Abolishing the April Session will in itself be a considerable saving.

Moved by Councillors Longard and Darragh that the special committee on Legislation be instructed to urge legislation at the next session of the Legislature to carry out the Leslie resolution referring to the abolition of the April Session. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Temple that the Special Committee on legislation be instructed to endeavor to secure the amendment of the Act permitting the county council to impose a poll tax. 30 cents on every male person at the age of 21 years and upwards so as to make the section read that the County Council of Halifax County may impose a poll tax on "Every male person of the age of 21 years and residing in the municipality of the County of Halifax whose name does not appear on the assessment roll, shall pay a county tax of one dollar per year and the District Assessors shall add such names to the assessment roll of his district, and also every male person of the age of 21 years and upwards whose name does appear on the assessment roll for an amount which when rated amounts to less than one dollar shall not be rated on such assessment or entered on the roll for such less amount, but shall be entered for the sum of one dollar as aforesaid.

This motion was duly debated and created very general interest.

Councillors Longard, Temple, Darragh, Howe and Smith spoke in favor. Councillor F Purcell spoke against. Councillor Leslie made several excellent suggestions in order to save difficulties in collection. The motion was carried 22-6.

Moved by Councillors Temple and Negus: whereas under Section 134, sub-sec. 66 of the Municipal Act the municipality can only require peddlars, hawkers and traders of goods who are not ratepayers within the municipality to take out a license to enable them to sell or dispose of their wares;

And whereas, in order to avoid payment of a license fee some pedlars purchase or lease a small property within the municipality and pay a small tax thereon;

Therefore resolved, that application be made at the ensuing meeting of the Legislature of this Province to have said sub-section amended by striking out the words "who are not ratepayers within the municipality" from said section; and that the Special Committee on Legislation be instructed to endeavor to secure the legislation above mentioned. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Moren and Negus that in order that the Highway Act be made more efficient this council is of the opinion some changes should be made and

hereby refers the matter of such proposed changes to the Committee on Roads and Bridges. Carried.

The County Clerk brought up the question of the bad system of assessment adopted in this county. As at present worked out it was most inequitable.

Councillor Leslie thought some effort should be made to equalize the valuations of different districts.

Councillor Bishop said they could never have the valuations equalized as long as the present system preserved. The general opinion was a change is needed but nothing was done.

A notice of motion was given by Councillor Longard and Negus, that legislation should be secured at the next session of the legislature providing for the payment by the City of Halifax of an amount of money which may be determined as equitable into the county funds for school purposes, as provided in the case of the other municipalities.

Notice of motion was given by Councillor Leslie, that a resolution will be presented tomorrow regarding the readjustment of the districts, looking to the reduction of the membership of the county council to the number of twenty, more or less.

Council adjourned.

## Saturday Morning

January 18.

Council met at 10 30. Warden in chair. Minutes read and approved.

A bill from Supervisor Wm Kennedy for District 32 for \$45.55. The bill was referred to the Road and Bridge committee.

The report of the chairman of the Lawrencetown Board of Health, District 29. It referred to a case of small pox which has caused the district considerable expense. Referred to the Finance committee.

Councillor Negus asked for the appointment of the district officers of his district immediately for local reasons.

Moved by Councillors Ronnan and Smiley, that R Purcell, I C R policeman at North street, be appointed a County Constable. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Stewart and Smith, that Wm M Sedgewick, J P, and John Higgins, J P, be appointed for the purpose of admitting persons to the Nova Scotia Hospital. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Temple and Kent, that Peter Maskell and Wm Homans of Jeddore, be appointed examining magistrates for admission of insane patients to the N S Hospital for the Eastern shore. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Longard and F Boutilier, that Dr L Braine, J P, and Martin Fader be appointed for the same purpose as above. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Hall and Longard, that W C Henley, J P, and John A Leslie, J P, be appointed for same purpose as above. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Leslie and Longard that a committee of this council be appointed to formulate a plan for the readjustment of the districts of the county of Halifax reducing the number of said districts from thirty-three, as at present, to twenty, and consequently reducing the membership of this council to the same making twenty the maximum number of councillors, or if this is found impracticable by the committee to allow not more than 22 councillors, having in view the smallest possible number.

Councillor Temple spoke at length on the need of a reduction in the number of members. He favored a much smaller body than 20. In fact he thought 7 enough and gave instances of great work which has been done by these small working councils in civil government.

Councillor Bishop thought the council cannot be much reduced, local prejudice was against change. He rather thought little could be accomplished. Councillor Leslie took a far more hopeful view of the chances for reduction. Councillor Stoddard was in favor of a reduction of members although he represented a very large district. Councillor F. Purcell was opposed. He thought if the government took over the statute labor it would be advisable to abolish the council altogether. The motion carried 21-9.

On motion of Councillors Darragh and Hall Councillors C. E. Smith, Lydiard, Temple, Longard, Abel Boutilier, Howe, Leslie, Bishop Hall and Christian were appointed a special committee to consider the whole question and report.

The report of the Public Property committee was presented by Councillor Ronnan.

Councillor C E Smith criticised the way the report was prepared. He thought the financial statement was not clear and not useful for purposes of comparison. He also stated that the inmates were given skim milk coming from the separator and he strongly objected. The opinion was generally held that the inmates should not be served with skim milk.

Councillor F. Purcell was strong in his expression of approval regarding the way the institution is conducted. He was surprised at the excellent condition of everything. He thought the institution a pretty close second to the King Edward.

Councillor Ronnan stated he had never hear the statement made that the inmates got skim milk. Mr. Conrod, who has charge of the institution, stated the inmates got fresh m.w. milk. Skim milk was never served.

Councillor Diggs also spoke in approval of the Poores Farm.

Councillor Longard stated that he considers the farm and things in general to be improved at least 30 per cent. He found things more satisfactory than at anytime he had ever been there.

Councillor C E Smith said he was perfectly willing to spend all necessary money to keep the institution right, but would be strongly opposed to every dollar of needless expenditure and he only wanted to get at the full facts of the costs and charges.

Councillor Negus satisfactorily explained why several items were much larger than usual.

Council adjourned.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.30. The minutes were read and adopted.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Stoddard that Solomon Crowell be appointed on the Board of Health for District 33 for the present year. Carried.

The council then continued the discussion on the report of the Public Property committee.

Councillor C. E. Smith stated that he did not think the financial statement was explicit enough. He thought there should be a clear cut statement as to the average cost of maintaining the inmates. He knew that the cost of supplies has increased, and that should be allowed for. He further did not object to any necessary outlay on needed improvements or expenditures.

Councillor Ronnan explained the account and gave all the items with explanations.

Councillor Bishop showed that there had been a change made in the methods of keeping accounts, because an item for harmless insans was credited to the institution when as a matter of fact there was no income derived therefrom. Previously a large surplus often appeared on the returns when as a matter of fact there was no surplus.

Councillor Lydiard, a former chairman, stated that the change was made in book-keeping with which he was in accord. He had simply followed the rule of the office.

The Clerk thought the accounts had not been kept in a businesslike manner, as no clear statement of receipts and expenditure was shown in the accounts.

Councillor Temple thought the clerk was right in his view. He saw from the report that there was not a clear cut statement. He suggested that the Treasurer and the Clerk with an auditor possibly should prepare a system which would show clearly just how the accounts stand.

Moved by Councillors J. J. Boutilier and F. Boutilier that the report of the public property committee be received and adopted. Carried.

*To His Honor the Warden, and Members of Council for the Municipality of Halifax County.*

Gentlemen:—Your committee on Public Property beg leave to submit the following as their report for the year 1907, and in doing so would say that they have much pleasure in recording the fact that the number of inmates of the Poor Farm has decreased, there being now 67 as against 83 on the corresponding date of 1906.

Regarding the exact number and their classification, we would repeat the tabulated statement furnished in the Superintendent's report, viz., number of sane males, 20; females, 15; insane males, 20; females, 11; and one private boarder. Of this number, as you will perceive, 31 are in the insane wards of the institution, from whom no revenue is received.

The inmates are well cared for and happy, and under the efficient superintendence of Mr. Conrod and his good wife, our needy poor are most comfortable.

Your Committee wish to congratulate the council on the wisdom displayed in acquiring the Ware property, and feel that as the years go on the value of the investment will be more fully appreciated.

In the matter of supplies for the ensuing year, we thought it expedient and in the interests of economy that the tenders for flour and feed be not awarded, but that the purchase of these articles be left to the wisdom of the incoming committee to deal with as the market prices on these commodities seemed so abnormally high at the time it was deemed prudent to defer action in the matter.

The tenders for the supplies for the Poor Farm were awarded to the lowest tenderers as follows:—Groceries, (without flour and feed) E. M. Walker; Meat for Poor Farm, S. M. Conrod; Dry Goods, W. & C. Silver; Boots and Shoes, John Allen; Hardware, James Simmonds & Co., Meat for County Jail, John McLellan; Bread for County Jail, J. J. Scriven & Sons. All the necessary repairs to the building have been attended to during the year, including sill under kitchen and bake house. The roof of one of the main houses has been shingled and painted. The single one inch water pipe from the well to the building has been taken up and replaced by a 3 inch galvanized pipe which gives a much larger and more satisfactory flow of water from the taps in the building. A small dam has been built on the brook which gives a copious supply of water in case of fire. In summer when the wells are low the dam has been full. Necessary repairs to the Ware property have been made. Your Committee would recommend that two more of the main buildings be repaired, and that a portion of yard fence be rebuilt.

#### INCOME ACCOUNT FOR 1907.

District Paupers 1424 weeks and 1 day at 75c per week .....	\$ 1067 36
“ Pauper Children 155 weeks and 2 days at 50c per week ....	77 50
Dartmouth Pauper Boarders 399 weeks and 4 days at \$1.50 per week .....	599 38
Dartmouth Insane 52 weeks at \$2 per week .....	104 00
Private Boarder 25 weeks and 6 days at \$1.50 per week .....	38 85
1 Span Horses .....	160 00
1 Span Oxen .....	114 07
6 Hogs .....	53 54
Farm Produce .....	193 60
	—————\$ 2,408 30

The total expenditure for the year including the purchase of the Ware property was \$7,022 80, as against \$5,164.45 for the previous year.

#### MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT FOR 1907.

Groceries and Provisions .....	\$ 881 38
Flour .....	576 00
Meat .....	535 85
Butter .....	87 63
Dry Goods and Clothing .....	274 75
Boots and Shoes .....	89 60
Boots and Shoes repaired .....	31 50
Fresh Fish .....	110 40
Straw and Feed .....	63 10
Bran .....	24 00
Oats .....	139 50
Coal .....	39 40
Making Clothes .....	63 65
Blacksmith .....	35 95
Ferriage on Manure .....	72 03
Employee's Pay .....	995 96
Doctor .....	100 00
Chairman and Vice Chairman .....	75 00
Superintendent's Salary .....	366 66
Printing .....	17 77
Bonus to late Superintendent .....	100 00
Paid “ “ a bill of 1906 .....	6 03
Potatoes .....	121 00
Religious Services .....	16 50
	—————\$4822 58

## PERMANENT ACCOUNT.

Hardware .....	\$ 114 30
Lumber and Shingles .....	26 75
Purchase of Horses .....	432 45
Stoves and Plumbing .....	111 24
Harness, and Harness repairs .....	48 32
Plough .....	14 00
Express Wagon .....	80 00
Hauling Wagon .....	72 00
Sawing Lumber .....	4 50
Purchasing Ware Farm .....	950 00
Searching Title .....	4 30
Insurance .....	45 00
Pair Oxen .....	90 00
15 Pigs .....	45 00
Nova Scotia Furniture Co. ....	22 10
Neil Fox .....	22 30
Judson Settle .....	10 10
Doctor McPartridge .....	10 00
Sundries .....	72 34
F. E. Stephens .....	25 52
	\$2200 22

The stone crusher has been used part of the past year in District 14. Your Committee were negotiating for the sale of the machine, but were not successful. If possible we would recommend that now as the New Road Act will be in force, it might be worth considering the advisability of endeavoring to place it at a price with the Government.

Your Committee have visited the County Jail from time to time during the year and have had all the necessary repairs attended to. We have again to reiterate the good opinion expressed by our predecessors regarding the cleanliness and orderly condition of the building under Jailor Malcom's supervision.

Respectfully submitted.

F. A. RONNAN, Chairman.  
 WM. F. NEGUS  
 S. W. LYDIARD  
 WM. BISHOP  
 JOHN J. JOHNSON  
 JOHN S. FLEMING

To His Honor the Warden Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax:

Gentlemen,—In presenting my report for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1907, I would say there are at the Poor Farm 67 inmates, of which 20 are sane men, 15 sane women, 20 insane men, 11 insane women and one private boarder. Admitted during the year, 8; discharged during the year, 15; died, 8.

There are 6 employees, 1 male attendant, 1 female attendant, 2 domestics 1, night watch and 1 farmer.

The crops have been good, the following show the number of bushels:—

Potatoes 450 bushels, Turnips, 400 bushels; Parsnips, 70 bushels; Carrots, 60 bushels; Mangels, 250 bushels; Beets, 10 bushels; Squash, 1 ton; Cabbage, 25 doz; Sauer Kraut, 4 barrels; Straw, 3 tons; Hay, 24 tons; Oats, 80 bushels; Butter, 350 pounds.

Improvements; 1½ acres of land broken, a good water supply has been secured with good results.

Provisions on hand: Molasses, 70 gallons; Flour, 3 barrels; Barley, 535 lbs. Rice, 200 lbs; Beans, 200 lbs; Tea, 90 lbs; Herring, 1 barrel. Tobacco, 35 lbs. Rolled Oats, 2 barrels; Pork, 200 lbs; Beef, 50 lbs.

Dry Goods to the amount of \$70.00 on hand.

Live Stock: 5 Milch cows, 1 Heifer, 1 Bull, 2 Horses, 6 pigs.

Killed on the farm for use: 1 cow, weight, 400 lbs; 5 pigs, weight, 735 lbs.

Killed and sold 5 hogs, weight, 620 lbs.

J. W. CONROD,  
 Superintendent.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Stoddard, that the committee on finance be requested that the sum of \$3500 be placed to the credit of the committee on public property toward the maintenance of said institution for current year. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Temple that the Halifax County Poor's Farm be hereafter known as the Halifax County Home.

On motion the report of the Superintendent of the Halifax County Home was adopted.

Moved by Councillors Longard and Hall that the Superintendent and Matron of the Halifax County Home be reappointed at a salary of \$500 instead of \$400 as heretofore. Carried.

On motion the report of the Forest Rangers was referred to the committee on finance and public accounts.

Council adjourned.

## Monday Morning.

JANUARY 20th

Council met at 10.40, Warden in the chair. Minutes of previous session read and approved.

Councillors Bishop and Temple commented upon the untidy condition of the council chamber.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Ronnan ;—

That the Special Committee on legislation be instructed to endeavor to secure an amendment of the liquor license law in respect to requiring an applicant for license to make a new canvass for the two-thirds of the names of the resident ratepayers each year be amended.

So that a petition after receiving two-thirds of the names of the resident ratepayers remain in force during good behaviour or until a counter petition signed by two-thirds of the resident ratepayers be presented to license inspector to have said license cancelled.

In the case of an application for an hotel license or a shop license, it shall not be necessary, except as is hereinafter provided, for any person who holds any such license for three successive years to accompany his petition a renewal of his license by the certificate required by Section 17 of the License Act.

If the holder of any such license is convicted of any offence against the provisions of the said Act it shall be necessary for him to accompany his next succeeding application for a renewal of his license with said certificate.

This caused a lengthy debate in which the following councillors took part ; Bishop, Leslie, Kent, Temple, Longard, Lydiard. Resolution carried 18-9.

*To His Honor the Warden and Council of Halifax County :*

GENTLEMEN,—In presenting my report of affairs medical at the County Poor's Farm for the year 1907 I have little to say.

Everything there has gone on quietly and smoothly. The inmates have, as in the past, been well cared for and well fed and seem happy and contented.

The wards and dormitories have been kept clean and well ventilated ; also the beds and bedding have received careful attention.

I have to report eight deaths for the year 1907 as follows :

Old age .....	4
Paralysis .....	1
Pneumonia .....	1
Phthisis .....	2

Respectfully submitted,

N. F. CUNNINGHAM, M. D.

This report was read and on motion adopted.

Moved by Councillors Temple and Lydiard that Dr. N. F. Cunningham be reappointed at a salary of \$150 per annum. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Stoddard that Stipendiary Magistrate be requested to look into the law regarding powder magazine and to report his findings to this council tomorrow morning.

Notice of motion was given by Councillors Temple and C. E. Smith, That the county make arrangements to take over the schools located in the county but now controlled by the Town of Dartmouth.

Council then adjourned.

## Afternoon Session.

After roll call the minutes of the morning session were read and on motion adopted.

Moved by Councillor Temple seconded by Councillor Leslie, That this council do now adjourn for committee work. Carried.

## Tuesday Morning.

JANUARY 21ST.

Council met at 10.40, Warden presiding. After roll call, the council adjourned till 2.30, for committee work.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.40.

Councillor Bishop brought up the matter of the Powder Magazine across the Arm at the request of Councillor Piers who is ill, and asked permission for Mr T J Egan to address the council. Mr Egan explained that the building was built by the Merchants Magazine Co. of Halifax, and purchased by him from this Co. He had put an iron roof on it and repaired it thoroughly. Experts who examined it found it perfect, the neighbors had no objection to it, and he had done everything to make it satisfactory.

Councillor Temple suggested that a few pairs of rubber boots be kept for use of men in removing powder from the magazine.

Mr Egan agreed to this suggestion.

Councillor Bishop recommended that a lock be put on the inside of the door in place of the padlock now on it. This Mr Egan promised to have attended to.

The following amounts were assessed on the below mentioned districts for support of poor during current year, viz :

In District 25	- - - -	\$200 00	In District 18	- - - -	\$150 00
" 8	- - - -	50 00	" 28	- - - -	75 00
" 33	- - - -	150 00	" 12	- - - -	125 00
" 7	- - - -	10 00	" 19	- - - -	80 00
" 26	- - - -	150 00	" 35	- - - -	44 00
" 23	- - - -	20 00	" 37	- - - -	25 00
" 22	- - - -	85 00	" 10	- - - -	15 00
" 31	- - - -	100 00	" 24	- - - -	150 00
" 16	- - - -	25 00	" 20	- - - -	100 00
" 17	- - - -	25 00	" 32	- - - -	25 00

Councillors Negus and Hall moved the following resolution: That the road tax this year be 40 cents on the \$100 00. To pay Supervisors 15 cents an hour, Road Masters 14 cents an hour, Laborers not to exceed 12½ cents an hour, Single Teams 22 cents an hour, Double Teams 35 cents an hour. Carried 25-6.

Councillor Lydiard, at the request of the Farmer's Union, presented the following petition:

To His Honor the Warden and Members of the Halifax County Council:

Gentlemen:—We, the Representatives of the Farmers' Union, convened at Cole Harbor, take the liberty of addressing your Honourable body on the subject of the Ferry, plying between the Town of Dartmouth and the City of Halifax:

Whereas, this Ferry is the property of the Town of Dartmouth, and whereas, by an adjustment of the Tariff, which operates favourably for those who can use the Ferry frequently, hence in the interests of the citizens of the Town, the holder of a commutation ticket, may cross the Ferry and return at a cost of not more than two cents, while the transient passenger pays ten cents. The holder of a commutation team ticket for two horses, may cross and return for about twelve and one half cents, while the transient pays sixty.

And Whereas, while the revenue from the commutation tickets, which indicates the revenue from the Town, amounting to less than one third of the total revenue, is \$16,270 98, the revenue from the sale of the transient tickets, indicating the revenue drawn largely from the County, amounts to more than two thirds or about \$42,204 89; a very heavy and burdensome tax for those who are by circumstances compelled to pay it,

And Whereas, since the town of Dartmouth, with the purchase of the Ferry,

inherited, we will say, this disproportionate tariff, and since the success of the Town, being largely residential, depends on low rates, little can be said against its continuance, neither can we hope since the Ferry is not prosperous that this heavy burden, (the obligations of the residents of the Eastern part of the County) can or will be lightened.

*And Whereas*, since the Ferry, constituting as it does, part of the system of the highways of the County and Province, and occupying, as it does, so important a position in the commercial and social life of the community, should be the object of the solicitude of the governing bodies of the community, that is, your Honourable Body, the Government of the City, of the Town and the Province.

Our Petition and prayer then is, that your, Honourable Body, being the representatives of the County, and consequently the representatives of the greatest sufferers, will assume the initiative in this matter and make it the subject of your serious consideration to the end that the Ferry will no longer constitute a barrier of intercourse between the Eastern and Western parts of the County, but a pleasant and inexpensive means of communication.

*And Whereas*, since the cost of operating the Ferry will not permit of a reduction of the present Tariff, our only hope lies in subsidizing it or maintaining it as our highways are maintained by government assistance, and to this end, we would suggest that, for the right of an interest in the management, which might be improved in the direction of economy, and the right of an interest in the property, the County subsidize the Ferry to the amount of One thousand Dollars, subject to the following conditions.

1st. That the subsidy granted by the county be interdependent of the action of the City, the Town and the Provincial Government in also granting a subsidy. If either of these other representative bodies fail to grant a subsidy, then the County's subsidy shall not be applicable. But, if they join with the County in assisting this important service, then the County's grant shall be applicable.

2nd. That the subsidies shall be applied in part to the reduction of the transient fares, and to assist in forming a sinking fund for the retirement of the bonds in payment for the property, which when paid for, will become the property of the County, the City and the Town, and will be managed by the joint owners thereof.

3rd. That the subsidy carry with it the right of representation on the Board of Management.

And your petitioners will ever pray.

Ex-Councillor Kuhn of the Farmers Union, addressed the council.

Councillors Lydiard, Negus, Temple and C E Smith, stated that they agreed with the sentiments contained in the petition.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Lydiard, That the petition re Dartmouth Ferry bonus, &c., be referred to a committee of three to be appointed by Warden to hold conferences with the City of Halifax, Town of Dartmouth, and Provincial Government, and that this council strongly recommend some action along these lines and that the committee report to this council early in April session. Carried.

The Warden appointed Councillors Lydiard (chairman), Negus and C E Smith on the committee.

Halifax, Jan. 20, 1908.

*To the Warden and Councillors :*

Your committee having gone through the duties devolving upon them beg to report as follows :

During the past year there have been admitted to the institution twelve ; re-admitted, two ; discharged five ; removed, none ; died, none. On December thirty-first there were in the institution thirteen males and eighteen females, at a cost to the county for clothing and maintenance, \$3747.50, which has been paid.

Your committee would suggest that in future all applicants for admission to the institution be examined by the persons appointed for the purpose, and not admitted by the doctor of the institution on his own account and charged to the county.

EDMUND E. CONROD, Chairman.

W. BISHOP.

LINDSAY MOREN.

GEORGE H. DIGGS.

HECTOR M. SMILEY.

F. PURCELL.

WM. MYETTE.

FRED H. STODDARD.

On motion report was adopted.

Halifax, Jan. 21, 1908.

To the Warden and Councillors :

GENTLEMEN,—Your Committee on poor beg leave to report as follows :

A number of districts have not sent in any returns. Some of these we understand have no poor, but we think the Overseers of Poor for every district should make an annual report, showing any funds on hand.

The following districts sent in no return : Nos 7, 8, 13, and 29.

Herewith annexed is a sheet compiled from all the returns sent in.

Respectfully Submitted,

T. E. STEWART, Chairman.  
 R. A. SLAUNWHITE.  
 A. F. SMITH.  
 ROBINSON WOODWORTH.  
 FREEMAN BOUTILLIER.  
 JAMES RENO.

District.	Bal. from last account.	Amount assessed 1907	Rec'd. from Collector of poor rates.	Rec'd. from other sources	Paid on account of paupers.	Collectors commissions	Sundry local expenses.	Balance on hand.	Due on assessment 1907	Due on account of paupers.	Estimates for 1908.	Due from other sources
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11	30 21	.....	31 25	.....	39 22	4 12	4 00	.....	.....	.....	125 00	.....
12	.....	.....	149 72	39 00	176 88	7 47	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
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17	31 84	.....	38 83	.....	29 47	99	5 00	35 21	.....	.....	.....	.....
18	26 82	.....	164 44	.....	87 84	7 65	16 30	79 47	.....	.....	.....	.....
19	37 95	.....	132 00	.....	78 44	6 60	21 60	63 31	8 00	.....	80 00	.....
20	29 84	.....	81 56	.....	78 44	4 96	7 40	26 00	17 57	.....	100 00	.....
21	59 64	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59 64	.....	.....	.....	.....
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23	41 06	.....	71 74	.....	43 94	.....	41 06	13 45	.....	.....	85 00	.....
24	51 88	.....	4 00	.....	.....	.....	4 80	23 71	.....	.....	20 00	.....
25	50	.....	132 00	19 50	136 52	6 60	26 00	14 26	.....	10 32	140 00	.....
26	50	.....	152 99	83 00	186 72	7 65	.....	42 12	30 76	110 64	175 00	.....
27	17 75	.....	136 84	26 00	137 05	6 84	93 70	36 30	1 44	.....	150 00	.....
28	12 96	.....	246 72	.....	39 22	.....	126 54	26 88	4 17	.....	300 00	25 00
29	.....	.....	62 58	.....	.....	.....	29 07	7 25	.....	.....	75 00	.....
30	.....	.....	120 19	.....	88 00	5 25	49 94	.....	.....	162 22	200 00	.....
31	.....	.....	169 10	.....	151 12	8 45	4 80	.....	82 36	116 93	.....	.....
32	82 19	.....	58 21	.....	20 15	.....	61 50	58 75	.....	.....	.....	.....
33	.....	.....	148 92	.....	146 92	.....	.....	46 97	.....	.....	.....	.....
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On motion report was adopted.

Moved by Councillors Smiley and Ronnan, That John P Hogan, J P, and A F and A F Smith, J P, be appointed examining Magistrates for admission of Insane patients to the Nova Scotia Hospital. Carried.

*To His Honor the Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax :*

Dear Sirs,

On behalf of Patrick Kehoe we hereby request you forthwith to appoint a person to be a commissioner under Section 1 of chap. 80 of the Acts of the N S Legislature for the year 1907.

In default of your acceding to this request we are instructed to bring an action for a mandamus to compel such appointment.

Kindly favor us with an immediate reply,

Your truly,

(Sgd.) McINNIS, MELLISH, FULTON & KENNY.

Moved by Councillors Conrod and Steward that the communication of Messrs. McInnis, Mellish, Fulton and Kenny be referred to the Special Committee on legislation. Carried.

The council then adjourned to allow certain committees to complete their work.

## Wednesday Morning.

JANUARY 22.

Council met at 10.30, the Warden in the chair. The minutes were read and approved.

Councillor Kent raised a question as to why there was no report regarding the Poores Account from District No 37. It was stated this was a matter for the district and not for the council.

Moved by Councillors Stoddart and Negus that District No 27 be assessed \$300. for the support of the poor. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Diggs and Bishop, that the sum of \$200. be assessed on District No 30 for the support of the poor. Carried.

Councillor Leslie spoke regarding the action of the council in appointing a special committee to urge upon the Government the passing of certain legislation. This committee conflicted with the Law Amendment committee.

Councillor Temple stated he was responsible for the appointment of the committee, and explained how it came about. He agreed that Councillor Leslie was right, but the purpose was simply to get a committee living in or near the city as there was a great deal for the committee to do. The difficulty was obviated by adding the names of the special committee to the standing committee.

Moved by Councillors Conrod and Stoddart, that all works and matters referred to the committee called the special committee on legislation, be referred to and performed by the committee on law amendments, and that the names of Councillors Lydiard, Bishop and Negus, be added to the law amendment committee. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Kaizer and Abel Boutilier, that the assessors get no less than \$10. for their work while assessing, as in small districts their pay is very small at present. This raised a discussion. It was shown that the pay for all the various county officers, such as presiding officers at elections, assessors, etc., was entirely inadequate. Some men would sooner pay the fine for not serving than serve for the pay. Eventually the motion was withdrawn with the understanding that in the small districts only one assessor need be appointed, hence the pay would be adequate.

Moved by Councillors Stoddart and Howe, that the law amendments committee be and are hereby empowered to draft all by-laws necessary in order to collect the tax on dogs and secure the assent to such by-law of the Lieut. Governor in Council. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Moren, that the Law Amendments committee be instructed to take all proper steps in accordance with the law as it now reads, and also to secure all necessary amendments at the next session of the legislature in order to obtain a fair amount of taxation from the N S Telephone company. Carried.

Councillor Temple with the consent of the Warden and Council read the by-laws relating to the keeping of dogs and collection of taxes on same, prepared by

Stipendiary. On motion the report was referred to the Law Amendments committee.

At 12.15 the council adjourned to visit the County Jail and examine the conditions there.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.40. Minutes read and approved.  
The Road and Bridge committee reported as follows:

Halifax, January 22nd, 1908.

To the Warden and Councillors:

Your committee on Roads and Bridges beg to submit the following report:

1st—Regarding the following road bills the council having no road funds on hand, and having no certainty of receiving any road monies from the government, we would suggest that these bills be referred to the government for payment.

District No. 8	\$ 1.25	District No. 14	\$41.37
" "	19 11.90	" "	23 13.75
" "	32 52.70	" "	38 8.55

2nd—That this committee concur in the report of the special committee re Sir Sanford Flemings offer of free right of way.

3rd—That no action can be taken by this council on the report of Supervisor Kennedy in regard to repairs to road in section 2½ District No. 32. Also that no action can be taken in connection with petition of ratepayers of district No. 12 asking for precept for new road, as they have not made provision for payment of land damages and other costs of said road that may arise.

4th—We also recommend that the council grant the precept asked for by district No. 19 on condition that said district pay all damages and expenses in connection therewith.

5th—Regarding the two petitions from District No. 21 for and against a closed section, and as the petition against a closed section has double the number of names of the petition in favor, your committee would recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

6th—Your committee would recommend that the highway labor act, in so far as it relates to the Municipality of Halifax County, be amended as follows:

Section 4—That the word five be struck out, and the word "two" substituted therefor.

Section 5—Beginning in line 4 the words "of every person over 60 years of age, and" be struck out. Also in line 7 the figures \$500. be struck out, and the figures \$400 substituted therefor. Also that the following words be added to this section, "provided that this exemption allowed by this section shall not apply in cases where the assessment is upon real estate, and there is a male relative of the age of 21 years and upwards, residing with widow, unmarried woman or wife, upon the property so assessed.

Section 18—Your committee would also recommend the pay of Supervisors and Surveyors in districts where there is not sufficient monies paid in to pay the same. That a sum sufficient be assessed on said district, the same to be in the form of an increase in the rate of County Assessment.

We also recommend that Section 30 be struck out, as provision is made for emergency repairs, under the act, relating to the expenditure of Government monies, and also Section 31 should be struck out and the duties mentioned performed by the roadmaster appointed by the Inspector for each district.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(Sgd.) Geo. H. Longard, S. W. Lydiard, D. T. Leslie.  
E. Howe, Abel Boutiller, Sidney Stephen, F. D. Darragh.

Moved by C. E. Smith and Freeman Boutillier the report as amended be received and adopted. Passed.

J J Boutillier wanted a precept to secure a right of way for a certain piece of road for District 12.

On motion of Councillors Lydiard and Leslie, it was carried that, a precept be granted the petitioners from District 12 on condition that the said district be responsible for all expenses in connection with same.

Abel Boutillier thought that the exemption of \$200. on persons over 60 years of age was unjust, because if one man is assessed \$200. he does no statute labor, while if another man were assessed \$225. he has to do statute labor on the whole \$225. He thought the man should be exempt \$200. of the \$225. and only do statute labor on the \$25.

This was fully discussed. Councillor Leslie supported the view expressed by Coun. Boutillier. Councillors Negus, Bishop, Lydiard and C. E. Smith opposed any further reduction in the amount of work to be done. Eventually the matter dropped.

On clause six considerable discussion took place, on the question of payment of Road Supervisors in sections when the road tax is commuted. At length this clause was on motion unanimously struck out.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Stoddart that in districts where cash paid in is not sufficient to pay the supervisor and road masters that they be paid out of the county fund. The motion was lost 10 to 17. With the above changes made in clause 6 the report was adopted.

A financial statement showing the summary of returns made by supervisors of roads for 1907 was read and ordered published.

### Summary of Returns made by Supervisors for 1607.

Dist.	Poll Tax.	Prop. Tax.	Total Tax.	Paid by Labor	Paid in Cash	Unpaid	
7	\$ 163 10	\$ 70 16	\$ 232 96	\$ 232 96			
8	121 00	61 55	182 55	168 80	\$ 10 30	\$ 8 75	
9	113 00	79 04	192 04	162 60	27 50	1 94	
10	108 00	65 53	173 53	173 53			
11	205 00	173 70	378 70	359 30	4 40	15 00	
12	174 00	166 77	340 77	323 29	7 38	6 10	
13	80 00	150 57	230 57	140 87	88 00		
14	156 00	558 08	714 08	63 38	582 40	67 20	
15			940 84			119 80	
16	155 00	162 71	317 71	169 54	145 69	2 48	
17	188 00	376 75	564 95	324 44	228 97	11 54	
18	39 00	316 48	355 48	271 80	166 58	17 20	
19	135 00	364 04	499 04	469 12	23 98	5 94	
20	124 00	190 27	315 32	230 04	15 92	2 76	
21	179 00	470 52	649 52	576 07	71 09	2 36	
21a	39 00	95 12	135 12	38 25	93 84	3 03	
22	209 00	396 40	605 40	577 25	28 15		
23	127 00	54 88	181 88	56 98	121 90	3 00	
24	209 00	260 45	469 45	352 62	57 20	59 63	
25	273 00	328 69	601 69	355 30	225 79	20 60	
26	412 00	291 06	703 06	619 90	60 66	14 86	
27	No proper returns except defaulters list.						13 02
28	318 00	245 44	563 44	531 26	4 80	27 38	
29	97 00	198 47	295 47	254 17	39 90	1 40	
30	127 00	143 60	270 60	172 03	46 61	51 96	
31	367 00	1521 07	1888 07	341 64	1514 17	32 26	
32	No supervisors report or returns for 32.						
33	178 00	265 80	443 80	378 55	65 25		
34	235 00	300 63	535 63	447 53		88 10	
35	55 00	154 16	209 16	189 78	9 83	10 14	
36	237 00	158 31	395 31	395 31			
37	220 00	249 98	469 98	288 62	180 36	1 00	
38	121 00	70 38	191 38	172 50	9 03	9 85	

## Thursday Morning.

January 23rd.

Council met at 10.45, the Warden in the chair. The minutes were read and adopted with this change, "Moved by Councillor Leslie and Stephens that that part of the Road and Bridges Report under section 18 of clause 6 be struck out."

Moved by Councillors Temple and C. E. Smith that provided the contemplated arrangements re assessment, etc, with Woodside Sugar Refinery are satisfactorily completed then the necessary arrangements be made for the taking over by the Municipality of the County of Halifax of the three school sections which while being parts of the Municipality of the County of Halifax are now under the control of and administered by the Town of Dartmouth, and that the Law Amendment Committee be requested to secure the necessary legislation to carry this into effect.

Councillor Lydiard spoke strongly in favor of retaining the Woodside section in the County and discussed the way the town of Dartmouth assessed these outside districts. He stated that recently the town had secured the rights to assess the outside districts. The county assessors had assessed these outside districts about \$255,000. The town assessors assessed the same property the same year for the sum of about \$389,000 an increase of \$134,000. The motion carried unanimously.

On motion the sum of \$50 will be assessed on district 14 for the support of the poor in that district.

Moved by Councillors J J Boutilier and Myatt that John E Boutilier be appointed to lay out the new road in district No. 12. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Kent and McLean that section 9 called a void in district 37 be divided in two sections known as section 9, commencing at what is known as the Boom, going to the small plank bridge on the Grant road about 2½ miles. Section 9a from said small bridge to Crawfords iron bridge. Carried.

The Assessment Committee's report was then read and adopted.

### *To His Honor the Warden and Councillors :*

The Assessment Committee beg leave to report, that they have examined the assessment rolls of the different districts, and as in the past there is a lack of uniformity in the values, in some districts, and the committee have no hesitation in stating that there should be some new mode of assessment in order to correct those discrepancies.

The Committee are not in a position to offer any new plan other than what has already been considered by the council in previous years.

They would direct attention to the fact in districts where the assessment has been lowered, no explanation has been given by the Assessors for their action, and would recommend that the County Clerk call the attention of Assessors in the future to the absolute necessity of their giving reasons for lowering the assessment of ratepayers within their respective districts.

Henry Hall  
W F Negus  
R A Slanwhite  
James Keizer  
Francis Purcell  
Freeman Boutilier.

Moved by Councillors Woodworth and Howe that Walter Elliot be appointed commissioner to lay out the new road in district 19. Carried.

The report of the Finance Committee was read and adopted.

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report:

With reference to adding any deficit over 2% to the District assessment for the coming year we would recommend that the matter be deferred until the April session in the meantime the County Treasurer communicate with all Collectors; or, where warrants have been issued, with the Constables, to make a return of all monies collected by March 31st giving reasons for non-payment of all uncollected rates.

Having carefully examined the bills contracted on account of Small Pox in Districts as follows:

District 28 .....	\$ 18 00
" 29 .....	171 20
" 36 .....	195 50
Total .....	\$ 384 70

Your committee would recommend that the same be paid.

Re Alexander McInnis account for swearing District officers amounting to \$2.75 your committee would recommend that the same be not paid as the Statute provides that such shall be done by a justice without fee.

With reference to the Forest Rangers accounts, viz :

James Soles .....	\$ 12 75
Joseph Malay .....	6 00
Thos. Flemming .....	4 50
George Sibley .....	1 50
C R Miller .....	4 50
James Fogarty .....	22 50
Daniel Jollymore .....	7 50
Clifford Goff .....	9 00
W A Christie .....	7 50
Gordon Farnell .....	170 00
	\$ 255 75

We recommend that the above accounts be paid.

The County Treasurer not to pay over and above the sum of \$198 36 being amount of funds to the credit of this account, until the Forest Ranger collect in sufficient to pay the balance of the accounts viz, \$57 39.

We herewith append the estimates for year 1908.

S W Lydiard, Chairman  
W Bishop  
Robinson Woodworth  
C W Christian  
T E Stewart  
E E Conrod  
Wm T Kent

#### ESTIMATES FOR CITY, DARTMOUTH AND COUNTY.

Court House Current Expense.	
Less subsidy .....	\$ 1800 00
" " Interest on loan of 1899 .....	280 00
" " " " " 1903 .....	800 00
" " Sinking Fund " 1899 .....	250 00
" " " " " 1903 .....	750 00
County Jail current expenses .....	2750 00
Grand Petit and Special Juries .....	1000 00
Sheriffs Accounts .....	1400 00
Criminal Prosecutions .....	1800 00
Clerk of the Crown .....	550 00
Printing and Stationary .....	600 00
Criers Supreme and County Courts .....	1425 00
Permanent paving .....	605 72
	\$ 14,019 72

The City of Halifax pays in addition to above \$400.00 on County Treasurers salary.

The Town of Dartmouth pays in addition to above \$30.00 on County Treasurers salary.

## ESTIMATES FOR COUNTY

Warden and Councillors.....	\$	2300	00
Stipendiary Magistrate.....		1050	00
County Clerk \$1200. County Treasure \$570.....		1770	00
Chief and Deputy County Constables.....		600	00
School Grants \$11840 Nova Scotia Hospital \$3600.....		15440	00
Poor Farm current expenses. nett.....		3500	00
Revisors jury lists.....		30	00
"  electoral lists.....		220	00
Assessors \$640 Board of appeal \$50.....		690	00
Revisors of Assessments \$306. Draw Bridges \$70.....		376	00
Postages and telegrams \$90 Bounties \$500.....		590	00
Dispensary \$25 Coroners \$60.....		85	00
Auditors \$50 Contingencies \$50.....		100	00
Stipendiary Magistrate expenses trips East and West.....		100	00
Chairman Public Property Committee \$25 Vice Chairman \$25.....		50	00
Board of Health \$800 Municipal Health Officer \$150.....		950	00
South Shore Rail Road Debenture and interest.....		1075	00
Maintenance Juvenile Offenders.....		60	00
Pay rolls special committees.....		40	00
Refund 3 License applications.....		30	00
	\$	29056	00
Less probable fees and fines Stipendiary Magistrate.....	\$	250	00
"  "  "  "  "  License Inspector.....		800	00
"  "  Licenses Pedlars.....		200	00
"  "  interest accounts Union Bank.....		100	00
"  Dartmouth Municipal School Fund.....	4321	60	5671
	\$	23,384	40

Moved by Councillors Leslie and Stephen that Councillor Lydiard be appointed a member of the court house commission. Carried.

Moved by Councillors Bishop and Negus that owing to Councillor Piers illness resolved that he receive his full sessional pay. Carried.

The Patriot asked that the contract for printing and reporting be made to extend over the term of the council in view of the fact that the work this year is unusually heavy and voluminous. This was looked upon favorably by councillors generally.

Moved by Councillors Negus and Stoddart that the contract of the Dartmouth Printing and Publishing Company made by the council for the present year be extended on the same terms per year to include the full three year term of this council. Carried.

Council then adjourned.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.30. The minutes were read and approved.

Councillor Temple brought up the matter of Pedlar's license. He was opposed to foreigners going through the country selling goods to the detriment of the regular trader. He was in favor of the home builder, these people were not home builders they made their little pile and then left for their home land.

A discussion arose in which several councillors expressed the fear that the passage of such an act would injuriously affect the effort being made to secure freedom for farmers, fisherman etc to sell and deliver their goods in Halifax. On the other hand Councillor C E Smith and others thought that the pedlars would evade the license by purchasing a small piece of land.

Councillors Lydiard, Puroell, Christian and Boutlier, favored the delay.

Councillor Leslie stated that Halifax had secured an exemption from the general law. He hoped to see that special exemption repealed.

Moved by Councillors G E Smith and Purcell that the list of district officers as handed in be passed en bloc, passed.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Stephen that the estimates for the year 1908 be assessed on this municipality by the County Clerk and County Treasurer, carried.

Moved by Councillors Lydiard and Leslie that the Wardens salary be \$50 and travelling expenses, carried.

Moved by Councillors C E Smith and Leslie that a bill of \$5 due Charles Lydiard be paid, carried.

The Warden Councillors Temple, Smith, Leslie the County Clerk and Stipendiary are to represent the council at the meeting of the Provincial Union of municipalities when it meets.

Moved by Councillors C E Smith and Stewart that the councillors pay shall be three dollars per day and mileage and that there be no fines imposed by this council for absence, carried.

In closing this session of the Council the Warden thanked the Council for his courtesy toward him during his first session in the chair. He regretted that his health had not been what he could have wished and felt grateful to members for the uniform consideration of him. He trusted that the sessions following would not occupy so much time. He regretted the loss of four days practically over the issuing of liquor licenses but could not see that it was avoidable. He felt it had been a business session and rejoiced to say that it had passed so smoothly and such an excellent spirit of courtesy had been shown by all.

Council then adjourned *sine die*.

# District Officers For 1908.

## District No 7.—Herring Cove.

Presiding Officer—Frederick Darragh.  
 Supervisor—Michael Reyno.  
 Road Masters—Andrew Brackett, East side; Edward Dempsey, West side; Wm McLellan, Ferguson's Cove; Solomon Selig Purcell's Cove; Peter McDonald, King's Quarries; Lawrence Brunt, Spryfield.  
 Constables—Leonard Reno, Mark Lynch  
 Health Officer—Richard Purcell.  
 Sanitary Inspector—George Pelham.  
 Board of Health—John Adams, Sutherland Gorman, Francis Gorman.  
 Assessors—Edward Dempsey, Sr., Wm Conway.  
 Overseers of Poor—Francis Reno, James Hanrahan, Andrew Brackett.  
 Collector—John Adams.

## District No. 8—Portuguese Cove.

Assessors—A W Scallion, Halibut Bay.  
 Supervisors of Roads—Dennis Purcell, Portuguese Cove; F O'Neill, Portuguese Cove.  
 Road Masters—James Pettipas, Bear Cove; D J Purcell, Portuguese Cove; Daniel Connors, Duncans Cove; Edward Flemming, Ketch Harbor; Richard R Flemming, Ketch Harbor.  
 Collector of County rates—James Gallagher, Ketch Harbor.  
 Constables—James Pettipas, Bear Cove; A Bower, Portuguese Cove; John W Holland, Duncans Cove; Neil Flemming, Ketch Harbor.  
 Overseers of Poor—Dennis Purcell, Portuguese Cove; James Saddler, Portuguese Cove; John Wilkes, Ketch Harbor.  
 Board of Health—Thos McNeill, Duncan's Cove; Thomas Gear, Portuguese Cove.  
 Sanitary Inspector—John J Johnson, Bear Cove.  
 Fence Viewers—Charles Pettipas, Portuguese Cove.

## District No. 9—Sambro.

Road Masters—William Greenwood, Sambro, North; John N Smith, Sambro, South; Edward Marryatt, Long Cove  
 Jeremiah Gray, Fawson's Cove; Charles Schnair, East Pennant; George H Findlay Coot Cove; Caleb Gray, Sambro Creek; Charles Rodgers, Ball Rock; Wm Finck, Sandy Cove.

Supervisor—John N Smith.  
 Assessors—Angus Gray, Mildrad Hart.  
 Overseers of Poor—Francis Gray, John J Smith, Charles Schnair.  
 Collector County Rates—Alex Cook.  
 Sanitary Inspector—John E Gough.  
 Board of Health—Francis Gray, John J Smith, Charles Schnair.  
 Presiding Officer—James L Hart.  
 Constables—Andrew Gray, Geo. Hamm.

## District No. 10—Upper Prospect

Supervisor of Roads—Clement Coolen  
 Assessors—John D Christian, Thomas Hamm  
 Collector—Geo P Christian  
 Board of Health—Samuel Christian, Michael Sucea, Wmham Wagner, Edward B Power  
 Overseers of Poor—P Christian, (Wm's) Joseph Mason, Francis Meenan  
 Constables—Jos White, David Hearn  
 Surveyors of Roads—(Sec 1) Jos L Duggan, (Sec 2) Samuel Meenan, (Sec 3) Jas H Wain, (Sec 4) John J Hardiman, (Sec 5) Jas A Jordan, (Sec 6) David W Redmond, (Sec 7) Jas F Power  
 Presiding Officer—N P Christian, J P  
 Sanitary Inspector—N P Christian

## District No. 11—Heckett's Cove.

Supervisor of Roads—Robert Levy.  
 Presiding Officer—Edward Greno.  
 Assessors—James Isnor, John Garrison.  
 Revisor—Dorcas Manar.  
 Collector of Poor and County Rates—Robert Richardson  
 Overseers of Poor—Robert Richardson, Edward Greno, Horatio Isnor.  
 Constables—John Cosmos, Stanley Grono, Amos Corkum, Elva Boumer, Lawson Innis.  
 Health Officers—Lawrence Braine, M. D., Oswald Dauphinee, Austin Zwicker, James Daum.  
 Fence Viewers—Edward Moore, Albert Fratick, Eujan J Covey, John Crooks, Jr.  
 Road Masters Section 1, Edward Fraser  
 2 Robert Cornelius, 3 John Moser, 4, Stanley Grono, 5 Warden Covey, 6 Charles Scott, 7 William Jothmore, 8 Robert Richardson, Daniel Swinehammer.

**District No. 12—French Village.**

Supervisors—James H Slaughenwhite.  
 Roadmasters—Section 1, Henry Boutillier, 1½, William Westhaver, 2, John E Boutillier, 3, Oliver Hubley, 4, Charles Boutillier, 5, Sidney Boutillier, 5½, Isaac Croucher, 6, Henry Garrison, 7, Albert J Boutillier, 8, George Longard, 9, Nehemiah Dorey, 10, Burton Slaughenwhite, 11, Loftus Manuel, 12, Wellesley Hubley, 13, George Fraser.

Assessors—Levi Longard, Albert Brine.  
 Collector of County and Poor Rates—George Smitn.

Overseers of Poor—Edmund Deal, Henry Garrison, George Smith.

Health Officers—William Sullivan, Levi Hubley.

Lumber Surveyors—Oliver Hubley, Neil McDonald, Stephen Dauphinee, Nathaniel Dauphinee, James Slaughenwhite.

Presiding Officer—Abraham Burchill.

Fence Viewers—Robert Hubley, John Saair, Peter D Boutillier.

Constables—Anstie Collishaw, Lindsay Hubley, Wellesley Slaughenwhite.

Revisor—William J Boutillier.

**District No. 13—Spryfield**

Presiding Officer—W. H. Dart.

Supervisor of Roads—Charles Jackson.

Assessors—Robert A. Yeaden, Daniel Umlah.

Health Officers—Benjamin Brunt, Geo. Brown, Alexander Drysdale and Fred Drysdale.

Overseers of Poor—Richard Bishop, George Carmichael and Charles Drysdale.

Fence Viewer—Henry Grouse.

Collector of Rates—W. Bishop.

Constables—Lewis Umlah and William Hill.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Section 1, George Raine; 2, William Locke; 3, Alex Drysdale; 4, Charles Jackson; 5, William Umlah; 6, Charles Christian; 7, William M. Nicholson; 8, Alex Marriott; 9, Archibal Kidson; 10, Charles Merlin; 11, Robert Yeaden.

**District No 14—N. W. Arm**

Presiding Officer—George Piers.

Assessors—Geo Piers, W H Webb.

Health Officers—G Piers, E L Fenerty, Levi Deal.

Overseers of Poor—E L Fenerty, James McLeave, Joseph Boutillier.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—Chas Deal.

Fence Viewer—William Nickerson.

Constables—Robert Barry, Levi Deal.

Supervisor of Roads—William Topple.

Road Masters—George Jollimore, Sec. 1 from Dingle gate to Lawson's Mill Bridge, including Jollimore settlement, also road to Amos Yeadon's land; Robert Drydale, from Arm Bridge to Dingle gate, also from Dr. Trenamin's cottage to Mackintosh Bridge, from Mackintosh Bridge along Spryfield Road till it comes to Sambro Road; Amos Keizer from Arm Bridge through Dutch Village to Tannery or Oil Works, including Clark's Hill and Keizer's Hill, also from Arm Bridge along St. Margarets Bay road to Canal.

Revisor—S G Piers.

**District No. 15—Bedford**

Returning Officer—C. S. Davison.

Collector—E. H. Haystead.

Assessor—H. G. DeWolfe.

Health Officers—Dr. Morton, John Strachan, Frank Merchant, J. A. R. Weir  
 Overseers of Poor—J. Douglass Story, E. H. Haystead, C. S. Davison.

Fence Viewers—Alex Heffler, Samuel Heffler, John Gritt.

Sanitary Inspector—G. H. MacKenzie.

Constable—John Tolson.

Pound Keeper—Alf. Boutillier.

Surveyor of Logs and Lumber—E. H. Havstead.

Revisor—M. E. Butler.

Road Commissioners—J. N. Boutillier, Joseph Heffler, James Keho.

**District No. 16—Hammonds Plains**

Presiding Officer—Henry Schmidt

Assessors—Frank Thompson, Samuel Anderson

Collector of Rates—Amos Bezanson

Road Masters—Section 1, Bernard Thompson; 2, James Romans; 3, Stewart Lucas; 4, Alpheus Smith; 5, Alfred Jenkins; 6, Simon Little; 7, Francis Jackson; 8, John Greene; 9, Adolphus Anderson

Constables—Wm Burns, John Jones, David Onver

Overseers of Poor—Samuel Eisenhauer, James Atinson, sr, J. P., Wm Burns  
 Fence Viewers—Chas Bezanson, Frank Jones, Howard Piusifer

Sanitary Inspector—Wm Haverstock

Supervisor of Road—A E Haverstock

Board of Health—Henry Schmidt, Samuel Eisenhauer, Tremain Thompson, Jas Atinson, Sr, J. P.

**District No. 17—Sackville**

Collector of Rates—Robert Barrett.

Presiding Officer—James Webber.

Supervisor of Roads—Arthur Peverill.

Road Masters—Section 1, Wm Peverill; 2, Charles Barret; 3, Clifford Weir; 4, George Maxwell; 5, Louis Hamilton; 6, Harry Peverill; 7, Edgar Heffer; 8, Robt Patton; 9, Fred Barret; 10, James Woods; 11, Thomas Gilby; 12, Wm Stone; 13, George Stone; 14, Charles Stephen; 15, Richard West; 16, Philip Grandy.

Constables—George Stone, Thos Walsh, John Tolson, Arthur Peverill, Bert Lee.

Overseers of Poor—Elijah Thomas, Augustus Peverill, George H Kerr.

Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—Ralph Stephen, Wm Nelson, Nathan Ellis, Wm Dean.

Sanitary Inspector—John Smeltzer.

Health Wardens—James Keogh, Charles Barrett, Robert Fenerty, John G Corbin.

Fence Viewers—Arthur Peverill, Henry Faltz, Herbert Barrett.

Assessors—Edward Boleman, William Nelson.

#### District No. 18—Waverley

Presiding Officer—John Stephen, Fall River.

Assessors—Frank McPherson, Waverley, and William Ashley, Oldham.

Overseers of Poor—Clifford Gough, Gushoro Road; William Morrison, Oldham; and James Allen, Waverley.

Supervisor—

Constables—Thomas Skerry, George Miller, William King, jr., Frank Reeves, and Edward Whidden.

Fence Viewers—John Skerry, James Skerry, Edward Whidden and Robert Ledwidge.

Surveyors of Lumber—Robert Layton, John McDowall, Edward Whidden and Cornelius Blois.

Health Wardens—Peter Spriggs, Wm. Morrison, John McDowell and William Carroll.

Health Inspector—

Collector of Taxes—William Kidston.

Keeper of Scales—Charles McCulloch.

Road Masters—Section 1, Jas. Skerry; 2, Nelson Miller; 3, John McDowell; 4, Edward Whidden; 5, Abijah Todd; 6, Andred King; 7, Gordon Holland; Sec. 3a, George Miller; Section Old Cobequid Road.

#### District No. 19—Gay's River

Road Masters—Section 1, Wilbert Withrow; 2, John Isenor; 3, G F Gordon; 4, Sanford McDonald; 5, John Fraser; 6, Alexander Killough; 7, Edwin Woodworth; 8, John Jodrey; 9, Sidney Milne; 10, Walter Elliot; 11, Alex McWilliams; 12, Morse Moore; 13, James Wilson; 14, Sylvanus

Corbett; 15, Francis Newman; 16, Isaac Isenor; 17, George Fleming; 18, George T Cook; 19, John Hines; 20, Warren Moore.

Supervisor of Roads—William Blades.

Board of Health—William Annand, John T Kerr, Edward Isenor, George T Cook.

Sanitary Inspector—William McGeorge.

Presiding Officer—Wilson Madill.

Overseers of Poor—Isaac Isenor, Wilham Annand, Walter Elliot.

Fence Viewers—John Fraser, George McMichael, William J Tays.

Surveyors of Lumber—James Wilson, George T Cook, Alexander Woodworth.

Constables—David Pulisfer, Joseph Isenor.

Assessors—William McLeod, Walter Elliot.

Collector of Rates—John Merson.

District Clerk—George T Cook.

To Swear in District Officers—George H Madill.

#### District No. 20—Meagher's Grant

Presiding Officer—Geo T Sibley.

Assessors—George T Sibley, James G Kerr.

Collector of Rates—Edward Darea.

Sanitary Inspector—Campbell Sibley.

Health Officers—James Seeton, Sidney Dickie, Wm Murphy, Andrew Killough.

District Clerk—Campbell Sibley.

Overseers of Poor—Wm McLean, George Dunbrack, Wm A Grant.

Fence Viewers—Geo Dunbrack, Richard Dunbrack, Robert Dunbrack.

Surveyors of Lumber—Ralph Bayer, Chas Grant, Geo Tuley.

Surveyors of Logs—John Kerr, Andrew Killough.

Constables—Joseph Wilkes, Thomas Miller, Dickson Sibley.

Road Masters—Section 1, C A Dickie; 2, Geo Dunbrack; 3, J H Roberts; 4, Wm A Grant; 5, James McDonald; 6, Joseph Wilkes; 7, Lewis Grant; 8, Christopher Dillman, Jr; 9, Alex Dillman; 10, Alex Cole Sr; 11, Wesley Milne; 12, Andrew Killough; 12a, James Lively; 13, Edwin Hirle; 14, James G Kerr; 15, William Preeper.

Supervisor of Roads—Thos Cole Sr.

#### District No. 21—Mid. Musquodoboit

Presiding Officer—John Higgins, J P.

Supervisor of Roads—John A Gnauld.

Surveyors of Roads—Sec. 1, John McFatridge; 2, Edson Fisk; 3, John Fox; 4, W J McMullen; 5, William J Scott; 6, Burton Hay; 7, Alfred Scott; 8, Robt McFatridge; 9 & 10, Milton Butcher; 11, Sidney McKeen; 12, Henry Lindsay; 13,

Alert Higgins; 14, Robert Fraser; 15, John O'Connell; 16, Maurice Kaulback; 17, Lewis Bates; 18, Arnold Gladwin; 19, Henry Archibald; 20, Geo McPatridge; 21, Burton Lawson; 22, Geo H Taylor; 23, Samuel Ervin.

Assessors—M H Guild and Henry Lindsay.

Collector of Rates—William Dickey.

Board of Health—C H Morris, M D, Thos Bayers, Prescott Holman and Samuel Hanna.

Surveyors of Logs, Lumber, Wood, &c—John W Fox, Frank H Taylor, Geo McPatridge, Jos P Taylor and Alex Logan.

Overseers of Poor—Wm McCurdy, Samuel Hanna, J G Reid.

Fence Viewers—George S Dickey, Jr, Robert McCurdy and William J Scott.

Constables—Neil Higgins, Roy B McCurdy, Chas R Tupper, Alex Logan and George Sargent.

District Clerk and Keeper of Scales—Edward McQueen.

Supervisors of Public Grounds—Robert McCurdy, Daniel Reid, Arnold Gladwin.

Sanitary Inspector—W Thomas Greene.

To Swear in District Officers—John Higgins, J P.

#### District No. 21a - Carribou Mines

Presiding Officer—W. H. Gladwin

Assessors—Matthew Higgins, Monson Lindsay

Constables—Nathan Higgins, Henry Miller, H. O. Jones, William Miller

Overseers of Poor—Matthew Higgins, George Lawlor, Albert Logan

Board of Health—H. D. Jones, George Lawlor, Henry Miller, Reuben Cameron.

Collector—Monson Lindsay

Road Supervisor—Monson Lindsay

Road Surveyors—Augustus Lawlor and Reuben Miller

To swear in District Officers—Silver Curry, J. P.

#### District No. 22—Musquodoboit

Presiding Officer—R S Dean, J. P.

Collector of Rates—Fred Frame.

Assessors—John Redmond, F W Henry.

Overseers of Poor—B B Hutchinson, Morton Farnett, A C Hutchinson.

District Clerk—F W Henry.

Health Officers—Geo Whitman, M D; J D Henry, C G Henry, Sidney Archibald, Arthur Henry.

Sanitary Inspector—Geo Whitman, M D

Constables—Alex J B Clark, Albert Fisher, Frank Fraser, W P Hamilton.

Surveyors of Logs, Wood and Lumber—Ernest Chaplain, J H Holman, John Burnett, Neil Archibald, John Redmond.

Keeper of Scales—Edgar Hill, J P.

To Swear in Officers—J G Reynold, J P.

Fence Viewers—Tupper Stewart, Campbell Cox, James Holman.

Supervisor of Roads—Neil Archibald.

Committee of Public Grounds and Highways—Everett Dechman, George Horton, Layton Burnett.

Road Masters or Surveyors—Section 1, David Brown; 2, Matthew Hamilton; 3, Wm Lemon, Sr; 4, Arlo Geddes; 5, Ernest Redmond; 6, John Stewart; 7, Kidston Henry; 8, Evans Stewart; 9, Gordon Farnell; 10, J F Parker; 11, David Weeks; 12, Thomas Fleming; 13, Edwin Fisher; 14, George Dean; 15, Frank Fraser; 16, James Benvie; 17, Daniel Milhan; 18, Edwin Little; 19, James Redmond; 20, David Higgins; 21, Edward Horne; 22, Marshall Miller; 23, Horton Watson; 24, Samuel Fraser; 25, Lewis Holman; 26, Edwin Dellar; 27, Wm G Butcher.

#### District No. 23 Terrence Bay

Assessors—Zechariah Jollimore, Joseph Uulah

Overseers of Poor—Michael Slauwhite, (Frank's son), William Little, Vincent Norris

Constables—George Little, Chas. Slauwhite, Edward M. Slauwhite

Roadmasters—Section 1, Wm. Smith; 2, Peter Slauwhite; 3, Thomas Norris

Tax Collector—Vincent Bartlett

Board of Health—Jeremiah Slauwhite, J. P., George Jollimore, Alexander Slauwhite

Fence Viewers—Edward Wheatley, Robert J. Slauwhite, Edw. Slauwhite. (Emanuel's son).

Presiding Officer—John Jollimore

Overseers of Public Property—Herbert Little, Edward Little, Henry Pettipas, Edward Brophy.

Sanitary Inspector—Edward Wheatley  
Supervisor of Roads and Bridges—Stephen Slauwhite.

#### District No. 24—Moses River.

Assessors—William G Smith, Wm Shiers.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—David H Moser.

Road Masters—Sec. 1, Thomas McDonald, sr; 2, Jasper Moser; 3, Thomas Irvin; 4, Walter W Smith; 5, Russell Kaiz r; 6, Sidny Pye; 7, Joseph Worthen; 9, Ode Pye.

Supervisor of Roads and Bridges—George Shellnut.

Overseers of Poor—Edmund Moser, Thomas Powell, Gilbert Naugle.

Constables—William Fraser, Thomas J Smith, Alexander Pye, Richard Naugle.

Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—Herbert Bezanon, Andrew Archibald, George Shellnut.

Fence Viewers—Edghill Oicle, William E Romkey.

Board of Health—George H Moser, C H Anderson, John Berrigan, Claud Drillior.

Sanitary Inspector—Daniel Cameron. Presiding Officer—Edward Moser.

### District No. 25—Sheet Harbor

Presiding Officer—F McMillian, M D  
Overseers of Poor—Theodore Conrod, Thos N Hall, Isaac Wambolt

Fence Viewers—Robert Routledge, Samuel Murphy

Road Masters—Section 1, Wm Beeswanger; 2, Aaron Rood; 3, Henry Verge; 4, Hurdly Munroe; 5, James H Wambolt; 6, Patrick Coady; 7, Roland Grant; 8, George Grant; 9, Martin Cruickshanks; 10, Mathew Boutilier; 11, James Snyder; 12, Robert Boutilier

Constables—Wm Munroe, Headly Munro Thos H Hall, John Redmond, Chas W Davis, Norman Beeswanger

Surveyors Logs and Lumber—Angus McDonald, Daniel J Chisholm, James McG Cruickshanks, Edward Quillinan, H B Anderson, Archibald Hall, Thos A Baker, Edward Cruickshanks, Ralph M Hall

Board of Health—F McWilliams, Theodore Conrod, David Steck, Robert Hall, Wm Tupper

Ferryman—Elbridge Lowe, John Wessell

Assessors—Edward Quillinan, George F Grant

Collector of Rates—Archibald Hall  
To Swear in District Officers—David Steck

Supervisor of Roads and Bridges—Elbridge Lowe

### District No. 26 Tangier.

Presiding Officer—Benj De Wolfe.  
Collector County and Poor Rates—William Ferguson.

Assessors—Charles Murphy, H C Leslie.

Overseers of Poor—R J Cooper, James Abriel, William McPherson.

Board of Health—Dr Murray Robert Mason, John C Hilchey, G J Leslie.

Sanitary Inspector—Jas P Miller.

Ferryman—Edwd Hennebery, Wm Tracey.

Constables—Wm Henley, Jr, Leander Josey, Joseph Mason, Wm Butler, David Mason, John R Beaver, Charles De Wolfe.

Surveyors of Lumber—W A Prest, Albert White, Levi Hilchey, Robt Conrod, Addington Prest.

Supervisors of Roads—Isaac J Leslie.

Surveyors of Roads Sec. 1, Alex McCarthy, jr.; 2, Henry Boutilier; 3, Frank Boutilier; 4, Alfred Henley; 5, Robert Day; 6, Leander Cooper; 7, Mark Jennings; 8, Alex W Glasgow; 9, James Cameron; 10, Lewis Murphy; 11, Frank Martin; 12, 13,

14, 15, Wm Cameron; 16, Isaac Prest. 17, Wm Hawes, jr; 18, Wm Henley, jr, 19,

### District No. 27—Jeddore

Presiding Officer—P. W. Maskell, J. P.  
Overseers of Poor—William J. Myers, John M. Marks, Ebeneazer Homans

Constables—Gideon Blakeney, John W. Webber, Jas. L. Marks, Henry Stoddard

Fence Viewers—James Arnold, James Myers, Onslow Robson, Peter Mitchell

Board of Health—Geo. A. Jamison, M. D., Walter Stoddard, J. P., Jos. Parker, William Homans

Sanitary Inspector—Peter Myers, West Jeddore

Assessors—Walter Stoddard, Nathaniel Dooks, jr.

Surveyors of Lumber and Logs—Amos Webber, Orlando Myers, John M. Marks, William D. Mitchell, Reuben Mitchell

Collector County and Poor Rates—Edward Warnell.

Supervisor of Roads—Amos Webber

Road Masters—Sec. 8, William Harpell; 9, Peter W. Maskell; 10, Joseph Dooks; 11, Joseph Day; 12, Colin Myers; 13, Walter Myers; 14, William H. Mitchell; 15, Stephen Jennex; 16, James Foley; 17, Nelson Baker; 18, Albert Power; 19, Wm. Webber, Sr.; 20, Howard Webber; 21, Samuel Webber, jr.; 22, Robt. Cook; 23, Levi Russell; 24, James Stephens; 25, David Palmer; 26, Joseph Debay; 27, William Eisen; 28, Albert Shelnut; 29, Alfred Weeks; 30, Alexander McKay

### District No. 28—Chezzotcook

Surveyors of Statute Labor—Section 1, Alvin Crowell; 2, Alex Patterson; 3 Gilbert Gaetz; 4, Thomas Fillis; 5, Edward Gaetz; 6, Sidney Nieforth; 7, Simon Lapierre; 8, Charles Wolfe; 9, Luke Lapierre; 10, Jos Bellefontaine; 11, Oliver Bellefontaine; 12, John Myatt; 13, Joseph Faucher; 14,

Daniel Conrad; 15, Lawrence Breau; 16, John Mannelle; 17, William Bonin.

Supervisor—Dennis Myatt.

Assessors—William Lapierre, James Gaetz.

Overseers of Poor—George Murphy, Michael Romo, James Gaetz.

Board of Health—Wm Lapierre, Patrick Bellefontaine, Daniel Nieforth, Joseph Faucher,

Fence Viewers—Charles Bellefontaine, Gabriel Murphy, Oliver Bellefontaine.

Constable Frank Romo, Abel Bellefontaine, Stephen Lapierre, D Nieforth.

Collector of Poor and County Rates—Albert Myatt.

Custodian of Canterbury Bridge—Chas Murphy,

Presiding Officer—Edmund Pettipas.

Sanitary Inspector—George Murphy.

#### District No. 29 - Lawrencetown

Presiding Officer—Colin Hiltz

Assessors—Charles R Conrod, James Leslie

Collector of Rates—Walter Daley

Road Masters—Section 1, George Patterson; 2, Arthur Sellers; 3, John Shaw; 4, Frederick Lapierre; 5, James Crowell; 6, David Bauld; 7, Robert Russell; 8, William Robinson; 9, Wilson McDonald

Constables—Aubrey V Conrod, Percy Russell, William Woods

Board of Health—Amos Misener, Arthur Sellers, Norman Hiltz, William Robinson

Health Inspector—Jasper McDonald

Overseers of Poor—Henry Merson, Jasper McDonald, John M Stoddard

Supervisor—Thomas Naugle

Fence Viewers—Norman Hiltz, Walter McDonald, Melvin Naugle

Custodian R. Run Bridge—Wilson Crowell

Lumber Surveyor—James Morash

#### District No. 30—Preston.

Assessors—Stewart A Innis, Richard Carvery.

Collector of County and Poor Rates—Peter Clayton.

Presiding Officer—James A Thomas.

Overseers of Poor—John Colley, William Cain, jr, Joseph Evans.

Health Officers—James Gordon, William Horne, George Williams, George Davidson, James Downey, jr.

Health Inspector—Samuel Williams.

Fence Viewers—Richard Saunders, Charles Taylor, Jesse Brooks, William Cain, sr.

Keeper of Drawbridge—Stewart A Innis.

Constables—Samuel Williams, George Carvery, Daniel Smith, Edward Downey, Edward Davidson, Joseph Thomas.

Road Masters—Sec. 1, John Brooks; 2, Benjamin Evans, 3, Stewart A Innis; 4, William Davidson; 5, John Nelson; 6, James Colley; 7, George Carvery; 8, Samuel Tyler; 9, David Thompson; 10, Simon Downey; 11, John Smith.

Supervisors of Public Grounds—Anthony D. Loughry, Joseph Diggs, David Smith.

Supervisor of Roads—John E Williams.

#### District No. 31—Cole Harbor

Presiding Officer—John Elliot.

Assessors—Alexander Innes, Maynard Tulloch.

Overseers of Poor—Robert Settle, Senr., Wm McKenzie, John R Morash.

Health Board—Thomas Harrison, Gavin Grant, William Eisener, Edwin Lethbridge.

Health Inspector—Robt Settle, Senr.

Constables—Isaiah Doyle, Wm Sawlor, James Harrison, Michael Lapierre.

Fence Viewers—Joseph Bowes, Frank W Settle, Frank Boutilier.

Surveyors of Lumber—Reuben Ernest, Hugh Grant, Webster Eisener.

Swearing District Officers—S W Lydiard J P, Wm McKenzie, J P.

Supervisor of Roads—Fred W Cooper, Senr.

Road Surveyors—Sec. 1, Alfred Keddy; 2, Andrew Barry; 3, George Walker; 4, Charles Lethbridge; 5, Arthur Donovan;

6, 7, Joseph Gentles; 8, Arthur A Wise; 9, 10, John

Burdy; 11, ; 12, Alexander Innes; 13, Frederick Bissett; 14,

; 15, Byron Tulloch; 16, J Lapierre; 17, Thomas Ritchie; 18, ; 19,

Webster Eisener; 20, John Giles; 21, John Hartian; 22, Charles Lawlor; 23, Albert

Conrad; 24, Chas E Drummond; 25a, John H Strum; 25b, Edward Keelor.

#### District No. 32—Hubbards Cove

Assessors—William U. Dauphinee, J. P., and Peter D. Dauphinee

Presiding Officer—William Kennedy

Collector of County and Poor Rates—James Conrad.

Overseers of Poor—H. L Silver, Charles Johnson, Henry Conrad

Supervisor—Thomas Kennedy

Board of Health—E. B. Norwod, Chas. C. McLean, John Gibbons, J. P, Ronald McEachern

Fence Viewers—Ezekiel Boutilier, Geo. Brigley, Francis Schwartz

Constables—Alexander Conrad, Morton Mason, Arthur Gibbons, Thos C Kennedy, Hibbert Hubley, Levi Dauphinee, Geo. Keans

Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—S. W. Shankel, Joseph Shankel, Cyrenas Mason, John Gibbons, J. P. Robert Snair, Henry Cornelius, Ronald McEachern, William Richardson, Wm. U Dauphinee.

Surveyors of Roads—Section 1, Horatio Rhyno; 2, William J. Boutilier; 2½, James R. Kennedy; 3, Edmond Colp; 4, George Brigley; 5, Davis Jollymore; 6, Alfred Jodrey; Masons Point Road, Augustus Hartlen; Boutilier's Point, Simeon Boutilier; Conrad's Road, Jacob Conrad; Schwartz's Road, F. Schwartz; East Side Hubbards, Washington Harnish

#### District No. 33—Eastern Passage

Road Masters—Section 1, John Trider; 2, George Himelman; 3, William Himelman; 4, Edward DeYoung; 5, Charles Hut; 6, Alfred Moser; 7, Joseph Osborne 8, James Murray; 9, Benjamin Hines

Commissioners of Poor—Provo Horne James Moser, William DeYoung

Assessors—Allan Horne, Solomon Crowell

Sanitary Inspector—Edward Trider

Board of Health—John E Horne, John DeYoung, Sr, Ernest Neiforth, Solomon Crowell, Benjamin Henneberry, Simon Grego

Fence Viewers—Andrew Conrad, George Horne, Robert Thompson

Constables—John E Horne, Walter Blank, George Conrad George Williams, Freeman Osborne

Supervisor—William DeYoung

Presiding Officer—Daniel A Moser

Collector—Provo Horne

#### District No. 34—Salmon River

Presiding Officer—John P. Hogan

Collector of County Rates—Leonard Whitman

Supervisor—John W. Smiley

Assessors—Abraham Harvey, and C. Smiley

Constables—Chas. Shiers, A. Gammon, Lorne Cameron, Ernest Gallagher

Fence Viewers—Wm. Wessell, Albert Hartling, R. L. Jeners

Board of Health—John T. Whitman, E. H. Balcom, James Smith

Sanitary Inspector—E. W. Dunlop, M. D.

Surveyors of Logs, Wood and Lumber—Robert Routlege, J. W. Smiley, Jas. P. Balcom

Overseers of Poor—E. W. Dunlop, M. D., E. S. Smiley, John G. Kirker

Road Masters—Sec 1, Andrew Brenton; 2, Leonard Jeners; 3, J. E. Hartling; 4, Arthur Balcom; 5, Edward Barkhouse; 6, Charles Darr; 7a, A. B. Harvey; 7b, A. Gammon; 8, J. F. O'Leary; 9, Darius Suow; 10, W. S. Atkins.

#### District No. 35—Little B ver.

Supervisor—Joseph Grant.

Collector of Rates—Arthur Killen.

Assessor of Rates—Alexander Taylor and Hiram Scott.

Overseers of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, Arthur Cruikshank; 2, Henry Grant; 3, Wynfield Cole; 4, Clifford Rhind; 5, Morton McMullin; 6, Henry Wallace; 7, Charles Hurley; 8, John Reid.

Constables—Arthur Cruikshank, Chas Hurley.

Surveyors of Lumber, Logs and Wood—Joseph Wallace and Cameron McMullin.

Overseers of Poor—Edward Cruikshank, Charles Ogilvie and Allan Ogilvie.

Board of Health—Charles Ogilvie, Henry Grant, Harvey Cole.

District Clerk Clarence Cole.

Sanitary Inspector—J R Chute, M D.

Presiding Officer—Henry Cruikshank.

Pound Keeper—Joseph Wallace.

Fence Viewers—Clifford Rhind, Francis King, Henry Grant.

#### District No 36—East Chezz. tcook

Assessor—J Howe Keizer, Levi Conrad

Collector of Rates—Daniel Misener

Road Masters—Section 1, Sidney Bonn; 2, John Redmond; 3, Isaac Conrad; 4, Andrew Gaetz; 5, Prosper Bonang; 6, Jas Richards; 7, Wm Misener, jr; 8, James Owens; 9, Thomas Misener; 10, Levi Conrad; 11, John Bonn

Constables—Daniel Bonn, Chas Dunphy, Oliver Pettipas, jr.

Place of Booth for Election—James M Keizer

Returning Officer—John Redmond

Overseers of Poor—Simeon Gaetz, Jas Crawford, Wm Misener, Senr.

Health Officers—L Hill, M D., George Daly, Andrew Crawford, Edward Conrad (Capt.)

Fence Viewers—Alex Bonang, Thomas Crawford, James Psttipas.

Measurer of Cordwood—W Dukeshire

Surveyor of Logs and Lumber—Peter Conrad.

Supervisor—Wm Anderson

**District No. 37—Musquodoboit Hr.**

Presiding Officer—Alexander McInnis.  
 Assessors—R J Stevens, Samuel Gaetz.  
 Board of Health—W Y Kennedy, M D, George S Gaetz, Wesley Ritcey and Abram Bayers.  
 Collector of Rates—George M L Guild.  
 Constables—John Killen, Wm Usher and Howard Williams.  
 Fence Viewers—Herbert Greenough, J M Bayers, David Williams.  
 Overseers of Poor—George Gilbert, George Stevens, Jos G Kent.  
 Surveyors of Logs and Lumber—Amos Guild, Clarence Currie.  
 Supervisor of Roads—Dennis Williams.  
 Surveyors of Statute Labor—Sec. 1, Abner Gaetz; 2, Wesley Power; 3, Austin Richardson; 4, Wm H Bayers; 5, Thomas Young; 6, Wm Bayers; 7, Wm Greenough; 8, David Thompson; 9, Wm Usher; 9a, Wm Warnell; 10, Thos Gaetz; 11, Thos Faulkner; 12, James Smith; 13, Thos Grant; 14, Horace A Kent, 15, S D Kent; 16, John Hawkings.

**District No. 38—Dover**

Assessors—Leander Cleveland, Thomas Coolen  
 Supervisor—David Duggan  
 Road Masters - Section 1, Noah E Zinck; 2, Reuben Scott; 3, William Myra; 4, Thos Graves; 5, Horatio Zinck; 6, Isaiah Publicover; 7, William Cleveland  
 Overseers of Poor—Noah Morash, Heziah Cleveland, Chas H Coolen  
 Collector of Rates—James Noonan  
 Constables—Abram Cleveland, Henry Graves, Michael Connors  
 Health Officers—Milton Tanner, Isaac Morash, Clarence Duggan  
 Presiding Officer—I W Fader  
 Fence Viewers—James Berringer, John McGrath, E Gilshier  
 Secretary and Treasurer of Poor—I W Fader.

# The Municipality of Halifax in Account with

## RECEIPTS.

Balance from December 31, 1906.....	\$ 4303 68
Assessments received,—	
City of Halifax.....	\$ 10383 26
Town of Dartmouth.....	904 12
County Districts Accounts 1907.....	25012 50
“          “          “          1906-5-4-3.....	1375 33
	37675 21
County Jail, per W. L. Malcolm; board.....	33 80
Poor Farm, Per J. W. Conrod, &c., sale of produce, &c.....	547 74
Received on account District Paupers.....	2089 59
Inspector of Licenses—Liquor Fines.....	\$ 1481 34
Balance License Fees 1907.....	1020 00
Deposits 10 applications 1908.....	100 00
	2601 34
Stipendiary Magistrate—Fees of Office.....	\$ 185 00
Fines.....	118 00
	303 00
General Fines, &c.....	196 45
Clerk of License—24 Pedlars' Licenses.....	\$ 460 00
3 Ferry Licenses.....	3 00
	463 00
Interest Deposit Receipt Sinking Fund Loan 1899.....	120 12
Insane Paupers—Received on account.....	359 75
Interest on Accounts in Union Bank.....	145 90
District No. 32, on account right-of-way.....	250 00
Gorden Farnell, Forest Rangers' Account.....	476 04
New Road School Section, School Taxes.....	38 19
Court House Subsidy per Provincial Cashier.....	300 00
Municipal School Fund per Town of Dartmouth.....	4537 68
Government Road and Bridge Grant, 1907.....	7564 10
	\$ 62005 59
 Dec. 31, 1907. Balance at credit of County.....	\$ 4627 45

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PARKER ARCHIBALD,

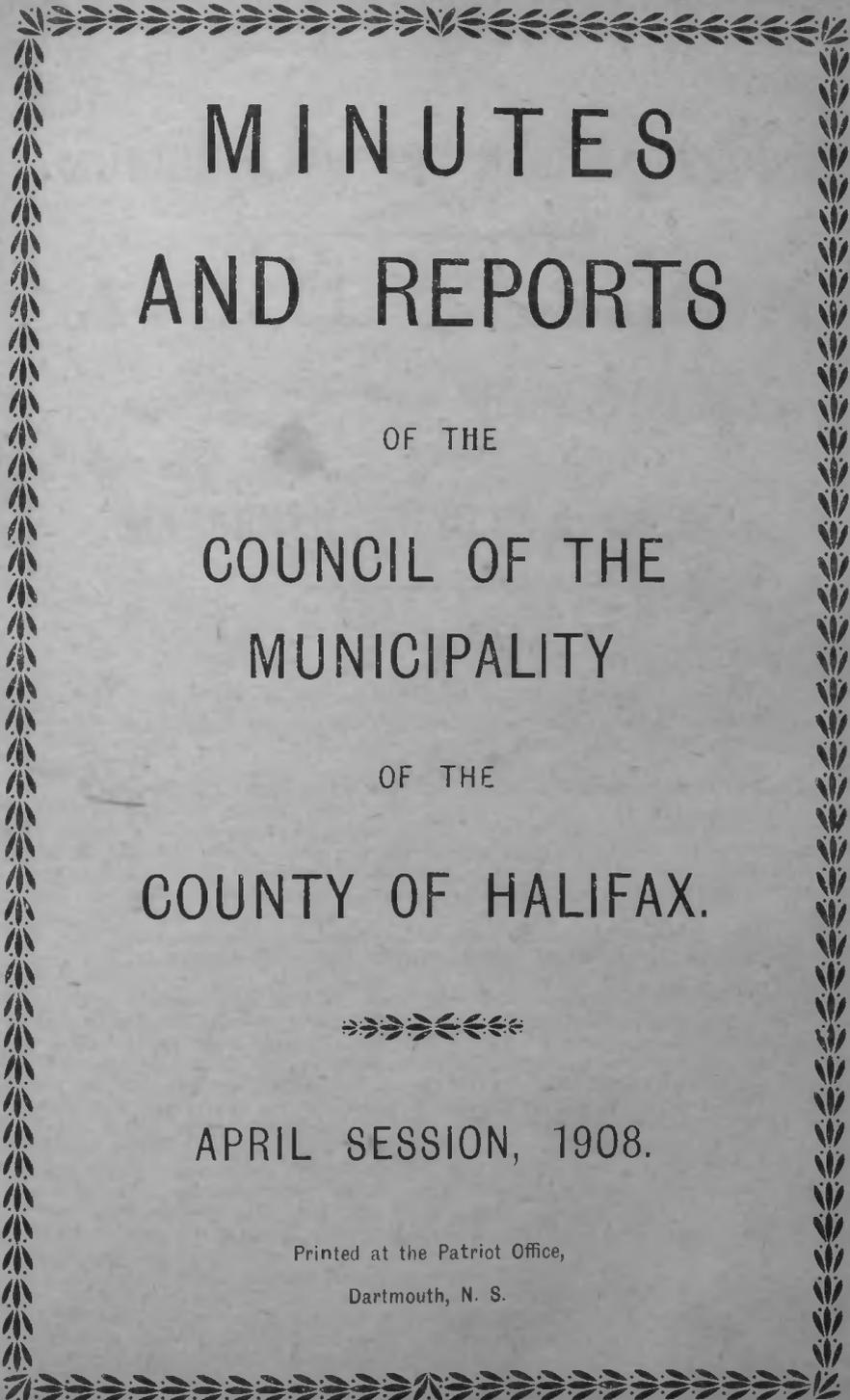
*County Treasurer.*

Halifax, N. S., December 31, 1907.

County Treasurer for Year ending Dec. 31st, 1907.

EXPENDITURE.

County Court House—Current expenses.....	\$ 1812 51	
Interest on loan of 1899.....	280 00	
"    "    "    1903.....	800 00	
Sinking Fund " 1899.....	398 44	
"    "    "    1903.....	759 00	
		\$ 4049 95
County Jail—Current expenses.....		2710 85
County Poor Farm—Current expenses.....	\$ 6068 54	
Purchase Ware farm, etc.....	954 30	
		\$ 7022 84
Judicial Accounts—Grand and Petit Juries.....		1038 66
Criminal Prosecutions, \$1874.87; Sheriff's accounts, \$1327.65..		3202 52
Criers Supreme and County Courts.....		1350 00
Clerk of Crown, \$496.20; Printing and Stationery, \$612.40.....		1108 60
Stipendiary Magistrate, \$1050. County Constables, \$500.....		1550 00
County Clerk, \$1200. County Treasurer, \$1000.....		2200 00
Warden and County Councillors.....		1864 10
Auditors, \$50; Clerk of License, \$50.....		100 00
Coroner's Inquests, \$47.95; Assessors, \$530.75.....		578 70
Collectors, \$1413 22; Bounties, \$572.....		1985 22
Draw Bridges, \$70; Revisors Jury Lists, \$29.10.....		99 10
Revisors Electoral Lists, \$206.90; Board of Health, \$50.25.....		257 15
Medical Certificates, \$65; Municipal Health Office, \$116 66.....		181 66
Postages and Telegrams, \$84.29; Councillor Elections, \$175.54.....		259 83
Board of Appeal, \$39 10; Juvenile Offenders, \$60.....		99 10
Contingencies, \$41.15; Inspector of Licenses, \$1203 90.....		1245 05
Revisors of Assessments, \$306.40; Interest on overdrafts, \$7.59.....		313 99
Right of ways, new roads.....		458 00
New Road School.....		36 99
Forest Rangers' accounts.....		329 50
Inspector Pedlars' Licenses, \$100; Fines Pedlars, Oct., \$18.....		118 00
Stipendiary Magistrate expenses to country.....		112 50
Advanced on account of poor.....		356 27
Pay Rolls, Special Committees.....		44 10
Interest Road Overdrafts.....		18 00
1 Debenture and Interest Habtax and South Western Railway.....		1125 00
Taxes refunded for 1906, \$10.46; School Grants, \$12535.38.....		12545 84
Hospital for Insane, \$3421.95; Road Grants, \$7594.67.....		11016 62
Balance—In Union Bank, General Account.....	\$ 4244 34	
"    "    "    Road Account.....	136 82	
"    "    "    Forest Ranger Account.....	146 54	
Cash on hand.....	99 75	
		4627 45
		\$ 62005 59



MINUTES  
AND REPORTS

OF THE  
COUNCIL OF THE  
MUNICIPALITY  
OF THE  
COUNTY OF HALIFAX.



APRIL SESSION, 1908.

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## APRIL SESSION.

OF THE FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

## SIXTEENTH MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

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### First Day.

The Council met on Wednesday, April 1st., at 11 a. m.

Warden Taylor occupied the Chair and nearly every councillor was present.

The clerk called the roll and then read the minutes, which, on motion were approved.

A letter from Councillor Piers stated that his health was such that he could not attend council on opening day.

The clerk informed the council that he had copies of several bills now before the legislature which affect county interests. The clerk also stated that he was not possessed of all the bills affecting the county, which have been introduced. He said the rule of the House is, that copies of such bills be furnished him, but this was often not done.

He also informed the council that the Land Titles act is now in force.

Legislation respecting Vital Statistics is now before the House and will soon become law.

The Warden said it had always been hard to get copies of bills, he could not understand why, this omission at times might lead to serious results.

The clerk then read a letter from Fred F. Mathers, Deputy Provincial Secretary, respecting the carrying out of the Fire Escapes Act. He informed the council that the chairmen of the Boards had not made their annual reports and he requested that these chairmen be instructed to report promptly and regularly. There being little knowledge of what the act called for, the clerk read portions of the act, chapter 90, acts of 1900. The act was a surprise to most of the councillors. Councillor Temple showed that the law would really only apply to a few districts in the county and that boards would not have anything to report if they were appointed. Councillor C. E. Smith thought the law was intended to apply to some churches, public halls and school buildings, and thought that in some cases these buildings need attention.

Councillor Leslie thought the matter should be looked into.

Moved by Councillor Leslie seconded by Councillor Ronnan that the Public Property Committee look into and report to this council the facts in connection with Chap. 90 section 24, Revised Statutes and make such recommendations as will enable the council to deal intelligently with the matter of Fire Escapes. Carried.

The following petition was read

*To His Honor The Warden and Councillors of the Municipality of Halifax County:*

Messrs,—We the undersigned residents of Cow Bay in District 33, Municipality of Halifax County are desirous through your council of adding the road known as the Moser Road to the public highway of district 33.

At a meeting held at Cow Bay the undersigned agree in lieu of payment to owners of said Moser's road to do three days free labor irrespective of any Statute labor that may be done on said road.

Aforesaid free labor to be done on said new road or Moser's road under the supervision of Road Master of the road section in which said new road is situate.

We further ask that the matter of fencing about 600 feet of said road be a charge on the ratepayers of District 33.

It is further agreed that the portion of said Moser's Road from the main Cow Bay road to the head of the lane shall remain the same width as at present, and your petitioners as in duty bound will everpray.

This petition was signed by about twenty persons.

On motion of Councillors Negus and Temple the request of the petitioners was granted.

Councillor Temple gave a synopsis of the legislation now going through the provincial legislature. He paid a tribute to the excellent way the business of Halifax County has been conducted in the past, and to the committee dealing with new legislation. He stated that the county would not in all probability be called upon to pay anything in connection with the P. Keho damages.

The April session is to be abolished and the time set for the annual meeting is fixed for the fourth Wednesday of February, at a time when the legislature is in session.

He gave the situation so far as the requested change in the liquor license act was concerned.

The law now in force respecting the taxation of persons residing in the county who wish to sell their products in Halifax is now under consideration by the legislature.

It is found that the Telephone Company has no exemption from taxation and can be assessed legally. The date for assessing has passed for this year and a special act will be necessary if the company is to be assessed this year.

The poll tax question is also embodied in a bill now before the legislature. The bill provides for a poll tax of \$1 on all persons not on the assessment roll, and all who pay less than \$1 taxes the amount will be fixed at one dollar. This bill has been commended as one of the best pieces of legislation introduced this year.

A bill introduced by the government regarding pedlars licenses obviates any need for action on the part of the Council.

The amendments required for the road act will probably be adopted.

The exemption as requested by the Woodside Sugar Refinery is embodied in a bill providing that the Refinery shall be assessed not a greater sum than \$200,000 for a period of 30 years. The committee had agreed that figure should apply to the present property. But the bill as introduced provided that all the property the Refinery might hereafter acquire should be included in the \$200,000 figure. This the committee does not agree with and it has been cut out.

The legislation respecting the Dartmouth School section was fully gone into and explained, although as Councillor Temple said it was not a matter for the council to deal with.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.55 p. m. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

Councillor Temple stated that possibly a remark made by him might be misunderstood. Mr. Harris had made the statement that members of the town council of Dartmouth had approached him with a view to take in the Woodside district into the town. He should have stated if he had not been hurried that a large number of the people of Dartmouth were opposed to the move.

Councillors Smith, Lydiard and Negus expressed the same view, but the last two councillors thought the trouble was caused by the Town of Dartmouth raising the valuation on all the property in the section. Councillor Negus said he had no sympathy with Dartmouth under the circumstances.

The question of the \$1.00 poll tax then came up.

Councillor Kent thought the \$1.00 tax would bear heavily on many poor families. The matter then dropped until later.

Councillor Temple read the various bills now before the legislature in which the County is interested and discussion arose on some of them.

Councillor C. E. Smith explained another bill which will apply to the whole province respecting pedlars. The bill provides that where it is difficult to identify a pedlar or to find whether he holds a license or not that he can be arrested and taken before a magistrate and held until the matters in question are satisfactorily settled. The bill is made necessary owing to the difficulty in indentifying the large number of Armenians etc who are now overrunning the country. They frequently pass these licenses from one to the other and resort to other devices to escape the license fee.

The Warden suggested that the report of the assessment revisors which was referred to the Committee on Assessments had not been reported on be referred back to the committee. This on motion was done.

Dr. William D. Forrest, Health Officer of the County, reported on the recent mild epidemic of small pox which for the past few years has visited different sections of the Maritime Provinces. He strongly advises vaccination and backed his opinion by that of other health officials. He states that had the present epidemic been as fatal as in former days, the entire country would have been panic stricken. There has been about 70 cases at East Chezzetcook and 34 at Eastern Passage and Cow Bay. Dr. Forrest holds that quarantine is not nearly so effective a means of stamping out the disease as vaccination and revaccination. This is the opinion of all eminent authorities who have to deal with this disease.

Accompanying the report was a bill for \$138, chiefly for vaccinating the people in the different communities affected.

The report led to a discussion which was taken part in by Councillors C. E. Smith, Howe, McLean, Kent, Negus, Stoddart, Leslie and Temple.

Councillor Howe stated that there was fear of an outbreak in Councillor McLean's district, and he thought stringent measures should be taken to prevent any further spread of the disease.

Councillor McLean said the doctor having charge of the cases would not express a decided opinion, but had taken precautions.

Councillor Negus received much praise for the way the disease had been stamped out in his district and for the way in which he had kept the expenses down.

The Warden expressed the view that a general vaccination was the course to take to prevent a general spread of the disease. He considered the subject the most important of any which will come before the Council this session. The disease seems to be breaking out all over the County.

Councillor C. E. Smith said the great cost of a day and night watchman could be easily obviated if a law were passed imposing a penalty of \$50 fine or 6 months in prison or both for breaking quarantine. There should be no necessity for the watchmen. If people want to break quarantine they can do it in spite of all the watchmen.

Councillor Negus stated the Board of Health had great powers, and can impose fines up to \$40, or imprisonment, of their own initiative. Councillor Negus' experience was of the greatest value to the council as he had unquestionably taken his duties very seriously and had gone most thoroughly into the matter.

Councillor Temple asked permission to state that the joint committee respecting the Dartmouth Ferry will meet at the Executive chamber on Thursday morning at 11 o'clock.

He said that so far the conferences had been marked with great moderation and with a just appreciation of the importance of the service. He hoped that after all the work done and the evident desire on the part of all to do the best possible, that some conclusion satisfactory to all would result. He stated that the representatives of the town of Dartmouth had treated the question in the most reasonable manner. There were still difficulties unsolved but all parties were reasonable.

Councillor Bishop suggested that the other committees get their work done when the other members were absent at the Legislature.

Moved by Councillors Temple and Negus that all bills respecting the smallpox cases be referred to the finance committee. Carried.

A Bill for \$27.00 was presented for expenses of a smallpox case at Lawrencetown.

P. J. Meagher, 22 West St., Halifax, wrote the County Clerk as follows :

DEAR SIR:—Last Tuesday, February 4th, 1908 while crossing Porter's lake draw bridge which is in a dangerous condition we met with an accident which almost cost our lives, smashing our sleigh and harness also injuring our horse which is a valuable animal, also loss of time to work. R. P. Burns, who was on a business trip to Sheet Harbor which had to be abandoned.

He claimed damages as follows:

Damage to sleigh .....	\$500 00
" " Harness.....	30 00
P. Burns 4 days @ \$5 .....	20 00
Expenses Horse Hire .....	20 00
Loss of business .....	100 00
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	\$670 00

A letter from A. Stewart Innis refuted the statements made in the above letter. On motion the letter was placed on file.

## Morning Session.

Thursday April 2nd.

The council met at 10.40. The minutes were read and on motion approved.

On motion of Councillors Smiley and Myatt it was resolved that road sections 9 and 10 be changed to three sections. That Snow's road in section 9 and Snow's Island and Turner's Island be section 9, and Atkins Road and Cross Point and Turner's Bridge be section 10, and the rest of section be known as section 11, District 34. Carried, On motion the following officials were appointed.

That Edmund Deal be appointed Road Master for District 12, instead of Charles Boutilier; that Alfred Smith be road master for section 11, district 34.

Walter Siteman appointed road master for section 27, and Henry Day for section 13, district 27 in place of Walter Myers and William Eisen, Albert Holman appointed surveyor for section 15, district 22 instead of Frank Fraser.

That Tupper Stewart be appointed to the same office for section 17, district 22 instead of Daniel Millard who is over age.

Thos. Bonang was appointed road master in district 36, instead of James Richards who is over age,

Edward Henneberry was appointed road master for section 13, Archibald Preat for section 19, Thos. Hichey for section 14, district 26.

That road section 12 in district 26 be divided in two sections, that part of said section from the north part of section 11 to Jas. Fahie's be known as section 12 and from James Fahie's to Little River Bridge be section 20. Walter Mitchell was appointed road master of section 12, and James Fahie of section 20.

Walter Barrett was appointed overseer of poor for district 17 in place of A Peverill, that Charles A. Barrett be road master for section 9, district 17 in place of Fred Barrett, Reginald West road master for section 14, district 17, in place of William Stone.

John Gilbert, Road master for Section 5, instead of James McDonald, and Joseph Seeton be added to the Board of Health, both for district 20.

W H Higgins road master for section 13, district 21, instead of Albert Higgins, absent.

That Arahisa Davidson road master for district 30, in place of Wm. Davidson, absent.

James W McQuarrie road master for section 9, district 31. Alex. Farquharson road master for section 12, district 31 in place of Alex Innis. John Drummond road master for section 18, district 31, Robert Bainbridge road master for section 11 district 31. Charles Fairfax road master for section 10 district 31, in place of John Bundy who has served three years. Frank Boutilier road master for section 3 district 31, in place of George Walker who is unable to act.

William White Presiding Officer district 8.

John Stuart sanitary inspector for district 18.

Joseph Glasgow health officer for district 30.

Dennis Williams health officer for district 37, George S Gates not having been sworn in.

Charles Deal overseer of the poor for district 14, in place of Joseph McLean, who desires to resign owing to ill health.

James Coston overseer of poor for district 32, in place of H L Silver moving away.

John S Misener road master section 14 district 31.

Vincent Lapierre road master for district 28, in place of Charles Wolfe, and Patrick Bellefontaine road master in place of Oliver Bellefontaine in the same district.

Edward Isenor son of Martin, constable for district 19.

David Turner constable district 24.

Lambert Conrod constable district 32 in place of Geo. Keens, over age.

Charles Hawkins surveyor of lumber district 29

Robert Barrett sanitary inspector district 17 in place of John Smeltzer.

Captain Alex. Mitchell fence viewer district 27.

Jas. B Saul member board of health in place of Samuel Christian, over age. James Hardiman assessor district 10, in place of Thos. Hamm.

W H Pye assessor, in place of Abram Harvey district 34.

Isaac Bonang assessor district 29, in place of James Leslie.

E B Norwood Sanitary inspector district 32,

Robert Ogilvie assessor for district 35, and Clarence Cole road master section 6 district 35.

The following revisors of Electoral Lists were on motion appointed:—District 7, Geoffrey Gorman; 8, Joseph Johnston; 9 Joseph E. Tough; 10, James A. Coolen; 11, Horace Mahar; 12, William I. Boutiller; 13, Geo. W. Marriott; 14, Sydney Piers; 15, M E Butler; 16, A E Haverstock; 17, Edward Boleman; 18, Peter Spriggs; 19, Geo McMichael; 20, Leander Logan; 21, Robert McPetridege; 22, Norman Stewart; 23, John Jollimore; 24, Thos J Smith; 25, Angus McDonald; 26, Capt Alonzo Mitchell; 27, Ebenezer Homans; 28, Thos, Bellefontaine; 29, Amos Misener; 30, Jas A Thomas, 31, Wm. McKenzie; 32, Amos Hubley; 33, James Mosher; 34, James P Balcom; 35, Jas A McLean; 36, Abraham Young; 37, Thos Faulkner; 38, Martin Beck.

Councillor Howe asked for informing regarding pounds. He thought a report should be made by pound keepers. He also thought the system under which the pounds were run was not wise as the fees were not always well handled.

The Warden stated that reports should be made, and Councillor Howe said he would prepare a resolution or bylaw to regulate the matter referred to.

The report of the committee appointed to enquire in the working of the Fire Escapes Act and Fire Ward's Act was presented and on motion deferred to the afternoon session.

## Afternoon Session.

Thursday, April 2nd.

The council met at 2.45. The minutes were taken as read.

The report of the committee appointed to look into the working of the Fire Escapes Act and of Fire Wards was then taken up. The report is as follows:

That the council should in accordance with Chapter 89 of Revised Statutes 1900 appoint a sufficient number of the inhabitants of every district as Fire Wards, and by chapter 90 the council shall appoint three persons to compose the Board of Fire Escapes for each district in the municipality.

Your committee respectfully submit that the appointment of such boards be made without delay, and at the present session of the council, and in order that said boards may be able to perform their duties intelligently, that chapters 89 and 90 of said Revised Statutes with amendments thereto be printed in pamphlet form and circulated for their guidance.

F. A. Ronnan, Chairman  
E. E. Conrod  
G. H. Longard  
S. Stephens  
Jas. V. Reno  
J. J. Boutillier  
Wm. F. Negus.

The provisions of the Act regarding Fire Escapes are very stringent, and provisions are made for the remuneration for their services. This Act will entail considerable cost on the County if properly carried out. This led to considerable discussion. In many sections it was held that there were practically no buildings which would come under the Act.

Councillor Temple stated the letter was no doubt the result of the recent disastrous fires which had caused such great loss of life and that it was clear that the law should be carried out. Only a few sections would be affected. He thought the council should act.

Councillor Lydiard stated that these appointments should have been made at the annual meeting. As the government had not notified the council in time for the annual meeting, the matter could be laid over until another year.

Councillor Temple said that once the council was informed it became morally bound to act.

Councillor J J Purcell wanted information as to how the expenses should be met. It was shown that each section has to bear the cost for that section. If there was no expense incurred there would be nothing for that section to pay. The charges were not county charges.

The act provides that in every district there shall be certain ladders and buckets kept in a certain place for use in case of fire.

Councillor Kent said he would have difficulty in locating his headquarters, as his district has 46 miles of road, and he could not see how any fire apparatus could be made effective.

Councillor Purcell wished to know if this would involve the keeping of horses.

Councillor C E Smith said that in a great many halls the stairs were bad and the doors might open inwards, and these were things which should be corrected, but as for ladders and buckets he thought the provision was not possible of effective working.

Councillor Ronnan stated that the law requires the appointment of these officers. The council has to appoint, it has no option.

Councillor Longard said appoint the boards and leave it to the members to carry out the law as in its judgment they deem necessary.

On motion the report was carried unanimously.

On motion the following appointments were made:

In District 27, Jeddore, the members of the board of health were appointed the board of firewards, and the three senior members of the board of health shall be the members of the board of Fire Escapes.

For District 18, Waverley, the two boards were appointed as in 27, so also were Districts 22, 35, 8, 32, 10, 17, 28, 36, 32, 11, 16, 33, 29, 13, 37.

For District 38, Geo. H Fader, N W Fader and Chas H Coolen were appointed as members of both boards.

For District 25, J S Dean, E H Lindsay and David Stech were appointed to both boards.

For District 35, the Board of Health appointed consists of Chas Ogilvie, Henry Grant and Harvey Cole.

For District 26, Joseph H Townsend, John A Leslie and Reuben W Prest were appointed to both boards. John Burke was added to the Board of Health for District 8.

For District 12, A A Brine, Levi Longard and Geo Smith were appointed for both boards.

For District 24, Geo H Mosher, Daniel A Mosher and Thos Powell were appointed as above.

For District 19 Warren Cook, Eric McDonald and Francis Newman were appointed as above.

For District 23 Herbert Little, Wm Little, Obed Slaunwhite, R L Slaunwhite and Michael Slaunwhite were appointed Fire Wards and Jeremiah Slaunwhite, J P; George Slaunwhite and Zachariah Jollimore be a board of fire escapes.

For District 34, H L Conrad, E H Balcom and Geo Wessell, were appointed to both boards.

For District 15, H G DeWolfe, J N Boutilier and H F Burton were appointed to both boards.

James Kirker was added to the Board of Health for District 34,

For District 30, Samuel Williams, Joseph Glasgow and George Williams were appointed to both boards.

For District 20, Sydney Dickey, Joseph Seeton and Andrew Keillough were similarly appointed.

Richard Bowes was appointed Roadmaster in Section 6, District 33, in place of Alfred Moser. Daniel Moser was appointed Roadmaster in Section 7, District 33, in place of Joseph Osborne.

Councillor Temple stated that he had hoped to get down to the proposed legislation to-day in order to get it before the committee of local bills as quickly as possible. He hoped the council would approach the matters in their usual good spirit when all differences could soon be adjusted.

Premier Murray had stated today in committee that Halifax County was probably in the best financial position of any county in the province.

Councillor Longard asked how the redistribution bill was getting along.

Councillor Temple said that the matter had been deferred until all the members could be present when it would be dealt with.

Councillor C E Smith wished to get some legislation respecting the law on Fire Escapes and Fire Wards because he considered much of it entirely unworkable. He moved a resolution asking a repeal so far as this county is concerned of the Acts and the drafting of a special act to take their place. The motion passed.

Council adjourned.

## Morning Session.

Friday, April 3rd.

The council met at 10.40. The minutes were read and approved.

C H Morris, M. D. Thos Bayers, Prescott Holman and Samuel Hanna were appointed Fire Wards for district 21, and that the three last names be a Board of Fire Escapes for said district.

R T MacIlreth, W J Butler, Sr, James Billman and Thos Forhan were appointed Board of Health and also Fire Wards, and also that the three latter form a Board of Fire Escapes for District 14.

I S Dean was appointed Overseer of the Poor in place of Theodore Conrod who is unable to act.

Moved by Councillor E Howie, seconded by Councillor McLean, that poundkeepers report all fines and things impounded to council each year at or before the annual session. Carried.

David Turner was appointed Constable for District 24.

Willis Whidden and Andrew Ashley both of Oldham be appointed Constables in district 18.

Geo W Marriott was appointed assessor for district 13 instead of Robert Yeadon who wishes to be released from that duty.

The following changes were made in road sections of district 33. Section 6 from Thompson's south barn on the Cow Bay road leading to Cole Harbor to the district boundary line of district 31, also including that part of the road leading from Cow Bay to Eastern Passage, viz, from the meeting house to the corner of the Moser road, so called. Section 7, from Thompson's south barn on the Cow Bay road leading to Cole Harbor, thence westerly through the Moser Road to the river bridge on the road leading from Cow Bay to Eastern Passage.

The following resolution moved by Councillors Piers and Ronnan, brought on a discussion:

*Resolved*, That the County Treasurer be authorized to pay out of the funds deposited with him for statute labor in District 14, the sum of \$41.37 in payment of bills incurred for building the bridge near E L Fenerty's on the St Margaret's Bay Road in October 1907, such being an emergency case. This money to be paid out of funds collected in 1908.

The resolution brought up the old difficulty which several councillors find themselves in, by having incurred bills, mostly emergency cases, for the repair of bridges and are out of pocket the amount of the bill as the government refuses to pay, and there is no money in the hands of the county to pay under the new road act. Councillors Temple, C E Smith, Bishop, Darragh, Piers, Slaunwhite, took part in the discussion. The general conclusion reached that the government should pay these bills, but if it absolutely refuses then the bills must be met by some means to be devised by the council.

Councillor Bishop showed however, that the government had absolutely refused to pay for the repairs on a bridge in district 13.

Councillor Temple said that before the council goes to the government all the claims should be scheduled so that the government could be told this would end the presentation of claims for all time on this account. Eventually the resolution and an amendment which followed were withdrawn and an amendment to the amendment was adopted as follows: That the matter in dispute re the payments of over due road bills be referred to the Law Amendments committee to interview the government and report back to the council at an early date. The bills are as follows:

District 8.....	\$ 1 25
" 19.....	11 90
" 32.....	52 70
" 14.....	41 37
" 23.....	13 75
" 38.....	8 55
Total.....	\$ 129 52

A letter from Dr. Morris of Musquodoboit to the Warden regarding a suspected case of smallpox at Brookvale. He is not yet quite satisfied as to what the disease is at present. He is watching the case.

Moved and seconded that the return of the precept for district No. 12, be accepted. The motion was deferred until the necessary papers were sent in.

The report of the forest rangers was read. It showed the taxes in all amount \$621.27 which are collected for fire protection purposes. The report was on motion adopted.

Councillor J J Purcell brought up the question of the construction of a fence or a guard of some kind at the head of Portuguese Cove to protect travellers falling into the sea. Laid over until the afternoon.

Council adjourned.

## Afternoon Session.

FRIDAY, April 3rd, 1908.

Council met at 2.50 p. m. The Minutes were read and approved.

Councillor Purcell's motion for a fence around head of Portuguese cove then came up.

Councillor Bishop thought it was a matter for the government.

Councillor Lydiard asked if the road came under the control of the government.

Councillor Purcell said it was a right of way, but the Dominion Government had at one time built a piece of fence for protection.

Councillor Kent said it was either a private or public road. The Warden suggested that it be left to the Inspector of Roads to deal with.

Councillor Smith thought it was a matter for the people themselves. The road does not come under the Statute Labor Act or the government. It is a place used for hauling up boats and it is a very dangerous spot. Something should be done with the place. Serious accidents have happened there and the wonder is there are not more.

Councillor Purcell was willing to take out a precept, but it would cost far more money than to fix it, sufficient to safeguard life.

Councillor Stoddart thought there was a real grievance in this case. He knew the pressure put on councillors to get all sorts of things done, many of which could never be done. He thought this different.

Councillor Bishop said fully half of the inhabitants of that section use this road to get home. He thought the local government should do the work. A vote having been taken the result stood 18 for, 3 against.

David Turnbull, Ernest Lawlor, M. D. and John S. Misener be appointed firewards for District 31, and that the Board of Fire Escapes be the same as for the board of firewards.

The clerk read the report of the committee on jury lists. On motion the report was adopted.

On motion the Council decided to hear the chairman of the Law Amendments Committee, explain the state of legislation now before the house.

Councillor Temple then went over the various bills. A bill now before the House provides that the liquor license fee for the county be placed at \$250. and further that the holders of licenses shall have to secure signers for their license for three years and thereafter they shall not have to secure such signers, unless the holder shall be convicted of breaking the law, then he shall have to get the signers for the next three years. Councillor Temple gave excellent reasons for the last clause, which commended themselves to the council.

Councillor Bishop supported the proposed bill. He believed this bill would make far better law, better houses and far less illicit selling. It would result in fewer houses also.

The Warden felt that the committee had fully carried out the desire of the council. The council unanimously agreed to the bill.

The license bill relating to the license of persons bringing farm produce etc. into the city. The new bill provides that farmers and fisherman shall not be compelled to take out a license. The bill is in line with the procedure of other cities and the Act the City now has is contrary to the general law. The council unanimously concurred with this also.

Councillor Temple showed that the Council has had the right to tax the Telephone Company for the past twenty years. It has never been taxed by the County.

This service he showed was different from Street Railways and most other public utilities. The value of the property was almost wholly in the franchise. These Companies are slow to give service except at a high cost. They generally pay for all extensions out of earnings. The amount of capital put up by the shareholders is very small in proportion to the capitalization. He thought that the Company should be taxed. He also stated that a gentleman prominent in the telephone business here was quite fair in the matter, and agreed that taxes should be paid on a fair basis.

Councillor Temple suggested that the council secure legislation to enable it to put up telephone systems of its own or for any group of people in the county.

The Warden asked if the Telephone Company here did not have an exclusive right.

Councillor Longard said any company could put a line in the city. The trouble is the Bell Company will not give connections.

Councillor C. E. Smith said the Company have no vested rights.

Councillor Temple made a most clear and impressive statement as to the Company methods and public ownership and also his views on the so called vested rights claimed by the Companies first in the field.—A bill will be drafted along lines laid down.

Next came up the Bill relating to the poll tax. This bill had been sharply debated at the January session.

Councillor Temple urged a judicious consideration of this bill and showed how inevitable taxation is and must be. The public services must have money and usually it has far too little for the proper development of our best interests.

At present the general act provides that 30 cents or more must be levied on all male persons over 21 years of age. This sum he considered too small. This also was unanimously agreed to. In these discussions it was agreed that the minority, if any, would agree with majority.

Councillors J. J. Purcell and Christian were opposed to the tax. They thought that many deserving young men worked at home supporting the family would be hard hit by this tax.

Councillor Howe was strongly in favor of the bill. He had heard nothing against levying the tax. It was considered a good thing.

The question of legislating so as to control peddling throughout the county was then taken up. A general act had been introduced covering the very thing required, but it has been thrown out so that it is now necessary to go on with the county bill.

The council then adjourned.

## Morning Session.

Saturday, April 4.

Council met at 10.40 a. m. After roll call Councillor Christian rose and stated that Councillor Longard had received word that his wife was seriously ill and that he had at once gone home.

The minutes were read and approved.

The question of damages for overflow of lands owned by him, claimed by Wm D Yeadon to the amount of \$100. owing to what he claims is due to the negligence of the servants of the council, was then taken up. He gave notice that if his claim was not settled within one month he would enter an action in the Supreme Court.

Councillor Temple stated that the committee which had interviewed the members of the county respecting the claims for road expenditure as discussed yesterday, had seen the government, and on the express understanding that no further claims would be paid, the government had agreed to pay the claims amounting to \$129.52. The statement was received with applause.

Councillor Piers thought Mr Yeadon had no grievance.

Councillor Darragh thought that the committee which investigated the matter had come to the conclusion that there was not sufficient outlet for the water and had recommended such improvement as would obviate the trouble.

Councillor Temple thought that Mr Yeadon may have put in a claim which was somewhat out of proportion to the damage incurred, nevertheless he thought something should be done.

Councillor Lydiard asked if the Supervisor had not been instructed to remedy the trouble.

Councillor Piers stated that the overflowing was due to the flatness of the ground and not to any defect of the bridge.

Councillor Howe thought the report of the committee should be sustained.

Councillor F. Purcell who had fixed the culvert some time since, explained how it was done and he thought the work was done right. He was willing to make the change needed for \$10. This was considered a favorable offer.

A general discussion ensued which lasted some time.

Councillor C. E. Smith read the report of the committee which bore out the views by some of the councillors that the county was liable. As a result the following resolution was tabled.

That the report of the committee appointed and which reported at the April session of 1907 re Yeadon drain in district 14 be complied with, and that Councillor Piers be requested to see that the effect of this resolution is carried out either by repairing the culvert or by payment of a lump sum. Carried.

A report from Wm Whette, chairman of the Board of Health of West Chezzetcooke was read accompanied by bills to the amount of \$30 for charges in connection with the smallpox outbreak there. Referred to Finance Committee.

A report from E. E. Conrod, chairman Board of Health for Lawrencetown was then read and bills to the amount of \$37.20 submitted.

Some explanations were made by Councillor Conrod and the bills were referred. These bills were in connection with smallpox in that section.

Bills were also submitted in connection with the case of smallpox at Rockingham, amounting to \$49.09. Referred.

Report of the Board of Health Head Chezzetcooke, also in connection with smallpox was submitted with bills amounting to \$144. Referred.

Bills in connection with smallpox at Eastern Passage to the amount of \$98.23 were presented and referred.

The report of Dr. Morris, Musquodoboit, was read re smallpox and bills presented amounting to \$7.50. Referred. Bills from Cole Harbor for smallpox expenses were submitted amounting to \$78.92. Referred.

Wm. D. Forrest, Health Officer for the county, filed his report and submitted his bill amounting to \$138.00. Bills referred. Report adopted.

*To His Honor the Warden and Members of the Municipal Council.*

GENTLEMEN,—I beg leave to submit the following report:

The mild epidemic of smallpox, which for the past few years has visited different sections of the Maritime Provinces and States of the American Union has at length made its appearance in this county. The character of the disease differs in no ways from that described in other localities. The unprecedented mildness of its type, the smallness of its mortality, and the freedom from disfigurement combine to make it difficult to persuade many that it really is genuine smallpox. The old time smallpox known to our fathers struck terror into the hearts of the people. Of the disease in its present form the people have no fear. They know that the mortality is almost nil, they are rarely very sick and disfigurement is practically unknown. Herein lies the

difficulty in preventing its spread. The people look upon it as a great inconvenience and in a number of cases took every means to secrete it. They were more afraid of the quarantine than they were of the disease.

At the outbreak of the epidemic they absolutely refused vaccination with the result that when a case broke out in a family every member became ill in time. In families where one member was attacked and the remainder consented to vaccination the disease invariably ended there. The people are now beginning to see the value of vaccination as a preventive and many have accordingly been vaccinated. I may say that I have not seen a single case of this disease in a person who had ever been vaccinated. Believing as I do that vaccination is the surest as well as the quickest method of stamping it out, I interviewed Mr. Turnbull of the Refinery and Mr. Troop of the Fish Company and both of these gentlemen agreed to have all their men vaccinated. This I believe has been done.

At Eastern Passage and Cow Bay we had thirty-four cases. There are at present two cases, one in each of two houses. There was one case at Woodside, and there is now one at Rockingham. This latter case has since gone to the smallpox hospital in Halifax.

Dr. L. F. Hill had in all, some seventy cases at East Chezzetcook. There is at present one case at West Chezzetcook. The East Chezzetcook cases have all recovered.

In closing I would like to copy an extract from a speech delivered by Hon. Frank Wells, President of the State Board of Health of Michigan. Speaking in reference to this epidemic he says:

"That modern facilities of communication render it practically impossible to prevent the spread of smallpox, or any other disease, by the ancient methods of quarantine, and such methods are therefore, by nearly all intelligent communities, abandoned. Moreover, science and experience have so thoroughly demonstrated that this disease can not only be controlled, but be made to substantially disappear by vaccination, that no other measures are necessary where vaccination is employed. The exceedingly mild type of the disease is one of the principal reasons for its spread. Had its old time mortality prevailed of 50 or 75 per cent of deaths, with the horrible disfigurement of the persons of those who recover, the entire country would be panic stricken. It is quite possible that the present mild type may in time develop into a more malignant type unless the practice of vaccination and revaccination becomes general, and the disease thus stamped out."

WILLIAM D. FORREST,

*Health Officer.*

March 30th, 1908.

On motion a special committee consisting of Councillors Bishop, C. E. Smith, Temple and Ronnan, was appointed to audit bills in connection with contagious diseases which may arise during the ensuing year. Passed.

William Reynolds was appointed revisor of electoral lists for district 21, a.

The report of the Board of Revisors of assessments was presented and referred to the assessment committee.

The following is the report:

#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF REVISORS OF ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE.

To The Warden and Members of Halifax County Council:

SIRS,—We beg to submit herewith our report as Revisors of the Assessment Lists for the various districts of the County of Halifax.

As far as the time and means at our disposal have allowed, we have endeavored to correct anything that seemed to us incorrect or unfair.

Your Revisors have visited or consulted with the Assessors of the districts, which necessarily occupied a great deal of time and expense in reaching all parts of the county, especially as at the late season of the year, and the condition of the roads, which made travelling both difficult and slow. We would suggest in the future if possible, this work be done earlier in the season.

We find on examination of the Banks, much information that would have been of service to the Revisors, to be omitted, also that while we are desirous of

giving credit to the assessors at large, yet the making up of the lists of more than one section, seemed to show carelessness which a little more consideration would have avoided.

We also wish to draw your attention to the lack of promptness in the returning of lists to the officer of the County Clerk, more than one list not arriving until your Revisors had been in session for several days.

We also find on comparing the assessment of last year with the present year of 1907, to be quite an increase in the amount of this year over that of last year, part of this is due to the non allowing of certain exemptions.

Your Revisors have tried to exercise great care in the rectifying of errors and while they feel that some better method of assessment in our county may be had, yet, that matter is left for the careful consideration of your honorable council.

J. Sprott Stewart,  
I. W. Fader,  
W. H. Studd,  
*Revisors.*

### COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF VALUATIONS.

	1906-07	1907-08	Decrease	Increase.
No. 7 Herring Cove.....	\$ 21,625	\$ 25,495		\$ 3,870
" 8 Portuguese Cove.....	22,740	21,745	995	
" 9 Sambro.....	25,140	24,600	540	
" 10 Upper Prospect.....	25,845	25,745	100	
" 11 Hackett's Cove.....	46,475	46,450	75	
" 12 French Village.....	50,750	50,880		430
" 13 Spryfield.....	38,144	37,785	359	
" 14 N. W. Arm.....	143,825	147,775		3,950
" 15 Bedford.....	191,910	201,735		9,825
" 16 Hammond's Plains.....	46,925	47,990		1,065
" 17 Sackville.....	153,065	152,475	590	
" 18 Waverley.....	114,710	113,490	1,220	
" 19 Gays River.....	92,740	95,550		2,810
" 20 Meagher's Grant.....	49,575	47,890	1,685	
" 21 Middle Musquodoboit....	121,035	121,260		225
" 21a Carribou Mines.....	19,610	18,940	670	
" 22 Upper Musquodoboit....	108,390	109,920		1,530
" 23 Lower Prospect.....	15,625	15,930		305
" 24 Moser's River.....	66,665	72,240		5,575
" 25 Sheet Harbor.....	84,395	86,076		1,681
" 26 Tangier.....	81,180	80,210	970	
" 27 Jeddore.....	98,400	98,560		160
" 28 Chezzetcook.....	69,905	68,932	973	
" 29 Lawrencetown.....	50,254	51,552		1,298
" 30 Preston.....	32,470	32,458	12	
" 31 Cole Harbor.....	381,800	332,260		460
" 32 Hubbard's Cove.....	124,700	124,425	275	
" 33 Eastern Passage.....	80,650	76,645	4,005	
" 34 Salmon River.....	79,930	75,270	4,660	
" 35 Little River.....	40,031	39,644	387	
" 36 East Chezzetcook.....	46,147	45,070	1,077	
" 37 Musquodoboit Harbor....	69,785	71,265		1,480
" 38 Dover.....	20,790	21,525		735
	\$ 2,614,931	\$ 2,631,737	\$ 18,593	\$ 35,399
Increase for 1907-08.....			\$ 16,806.	

The report of the Board of Appeals was read as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS.

Halifax Jan 31st, 1908.

*The Municipality of Halifax County:*

We beg to submit our report in the following appeals.

No. 1. This is an appeal by Mrs. Mary A. Canfield from an assessment of \$1000.00 on property which she claims she does not own. The Court grants this appeal and instructs the clerks to remove assessment from the assessment list of district No. 15.

No. 2. Mc, C Grant as executor of the late Hon. D. McN Parker, who claims excessive valuation in district No. 14. Valuation reduced to \$3500.00.

No. 3. Major W. J. Drewin, claims excessive valuation in District 32. The assessors valuation confirmed.

No. 4. W. H. Simpson District No. 12. Claims he does not own property. Assessors valuation confirmed.

No. 5. Miss Annie McGregor, District No. 14, claims excessive valuation. Assessors valuation confirmed as the claimant withdrew, after explanation.

J. Sprott Stewart.

I. W. Fader.

W. H. Studd.

*Board of Appeal.*

Afternoon Session.

Saturday April, 4th.

Council met at 2 45. Minutes read and approved.

Moved by Councillors C. E. Smith and Stewart that the resolution in reference to a fence around a certain cliff at Portuguese Cove in said resolution not having made any provision for the payment of same, therefore resolved that the expenses incurred in the erection of same shall not be a charge on the Municipality. Carried.

Councillor Temple suggested the taking up the remainder of the bills now before the house.

Councillor C. E. Smith showed it was necessary to deal with these bills at once.

The Warden therefore directed that the bills be proceeded with.

Councillor Temple said there was no bill as yet to give the municipality any power to construct Telephone systems. He hoped the council would give the committee the power to go on.

He then went into the legislation relative to the dog tax. The government has a bill in covering the legislation.

The bill relating to the Road Act was then taken up.

As the law stands all male persons over sixty years of age assessed for \$500 or less are exempt from the road tax. The amendment reduces the figure from \$500 to \$200. This brought on a discussion

There was also some discussion over an amendment providing that a permissive clause be added whereby the poll tax may be collected in cash.

A most instructive and useful discussion arose on the working of the road Act, and the difficulties arising in sections very diverse in conditions. The discussion showed how difficulty it is to draft an act suited to all sections of the County and Province.

An important amendment was proposed as follows.

That the following be added to sec 11.

That every person liable for poll and property tax who does not present himself or substitute as provided in this act to the surveyor at the place designated in the surveyors notice to commute his tax by labor not later than one day after the time fixed in which such notice shall then pay such tax in cash. Passed unanimously.

One section was cut out; with this exception the various amendments passed unanimously.

The bill relating to the assessment of the Woodside Sugar Refinery was then taken up, and the provision explained. Unanimously agreed to.

After that the bill providing for the cutting off of the outside portion of the Dartmouth school section, was taken up.

## Morning Session.

Monday April, 6,

Council met at 10.50. Minutes read and confirmed.

Councillor Piers asked what condition the difficulty between the County and Sir Sanford Fleming was in. This brought out a letter recently received by the County Clerk from Sir Sanford's agent here. Sir Sanford expressed the view that he did far more than what the law required in maintaining the roads and thought in all fairness that the work done should be allowed for.

Councillor Bishop made a full explanation regarding the status quo in which he said it would be impossible to carry out Sir Sanford's views as certain ground could not be secured for extension of a road along the shore. Ultimately the matter was referred to the road and bridge committee.

Moved by Councillors J. J. Boutillier and Ronnan that the report of the Commissioner on Precept issued in January for a new piece of road in District No. 12 be adopted and the cost of survey, \$5. be assessed on the district. Carried.

Petition from P. Kuhn and others from Cole Harbor asking that a Committee be appointed having the authority to receive evidence and fully investigate the financial condition of the district. The petition claims that while the official report shows the amount of money collected to be \$1875 that there is no documentary evidence to show how much has been expended.

Councillor Lydiard made an explanation stating that all the detail reports of expenditure went before the proper committee, and the committee had reported the accounts were correct. Other members of the Road and Bridge Committee stated that the accounts had been before them and had been found correct. It seems however that these detailed accounts of expenditure cannot now be found.

Mr. Kuhn was present to be heard.

Councillor Darragh thought Mr. Kuhn should be heard.

Councillor Lydiard objected to Mr. Kuhn being heard. He had been abused by Mr. Kuhn before and he did not purpose to listen to anything of the kind.

The episode developed a discussion which consumed much time.

A vote being taken as to whether the prayer of the petition should be granted, the vote stood 18 to 7 against.

The following letter was read from Parker Archibald, Secretary to the Commissioners of the Court House.

I am directed by the commission of the Court House to write and ask that the County Council instruct the County Treasurer to pay the amount of the Janitor's salary to the Secretary of the Commissioners of the Court House. The letter by vote was ordered to be placed on file.

The Warden here asked who controlled the management of the Court House. He thought the commission had large powers under the new conditions. The County Clerk here made a full statement as to the powers of the commission. He considered the commission left practically everything to the county officials to look after.

The Warden at this point read the following letter dated April 6th, 1908.

DEAR SIR:—Permit me to suggest to you the desirability of your council dealing with the question of a right of way for the Halifax and Guysborough Railway.

The usual course adopted by Municipalities is to assume the cost and I trust you will be able to see your way clear to do this at the present session.

Yours truly,

G. H. MURRAY,

*Provincial Secretary.*

Councillor Temple suggested that the Town of Dartmouth be requested to join the county in dealing with the above request. He had understood that men had been all over the road and had approached the government with a proposition to build. He showed the great desirability of building the road and thought it would greatly increase the assessable property in the county. He wanted a plan of the route.

Councillor Bishop was opposed to the granting anything but a lump sum, otherwise there was no way of telling how much it would cost the county.

## Afternoon Session.

Monday, April 6th.

Council met at 2.50. Councillor Bishop in the chair. Minutes read and approved. At 3 p. m. the Warden took the chair, and the matter of the right of way for the Eastern Railway was taken up. The surveys of the new road were brought in from the Engineer's department and were carefully examined by the members of the council.

D W B Reid who was present was invited to give any information he possessed on the subject. He stated he had secured the right of way for two roads and he therefore knew something about the question of right of ways. He thought the council would take a leap in the dark to take upon itself the providing of a free right of way.

He then briefly dwelt on the value the road would be to the county. He thought the vote of \$8000 for a right of way was too small. He thought the county should give more. He had gone over much of the route and he found the right of way would cost about \$15,000.

Regarding the present company he knew that men had been over the road who were looking fully into the engineering difficulties and the possibilities of traffic and running expenses. They had been favorably impressed with the project and had expressed the view that they would build the road if fairly well supported.

Mr. Reid said he knew nothing about the matter coming up and had not been asked to address the council. He was only anxious to get the road built.

Councillor Temple in rising asked Mr. Reid if he had any personal interest in the matter. He stated, "none whatever."

The councillor was opposed to giving a free right of way, for no one knew where that would land the county. He was prepared to give a sum equal to that given to the Halifax and South Western viz \$166 per mile. He then outlined a basis of how the grant should be given. He advocated having a committee appointed to work in conjunction with the Town of Dartmouth to go into the whole subject. He was in favor strongly of working in accord with Dartmouth, which was very deeply interested in this road.

Councillor Howe advocated giving the same grant that had been given to the Halifax and South Western. The eastern part of the county had helped the western half, and he thought the West should now help the East.

Councillor C E Smith thought there should be care taken that the route as outlined should not be materially departed from as far as the grant was given.

Councillor Howe thought the survey was final and he was in favor of having the plan fixed before the money is paid over.

Councillor Temple thought the route into the Pictou coal fields was most important. He moved the following resolution, seconded by Councillor C E Smith, that a committee of five be appointed to meet a committee of the Town Council of Dartmouth to confer re appropriation toward paying for right of way for the Eastern Railway and report back to this council to-morrow morning. Carried.

The committee appointed was as follows,—Councillors C. E. Smith, Temple, Howe, Hall and Christian.

A letter from F. W. W. Doane Secty of the Union of N. S. Municipalities, calling attention to the present regulations regarding Paupers, Insane, and the suppression of disease. The method of admission of patients to the N. S. Hospital called for quite extended remarks. At present the county is practically without protection. Referred on motion to the committee on Poor.

On motion John EMiot was appointed collector of County and Poor Rates for District 31, for the year 1908.

On motion \$80 will be assessed in District 14 for support of poor for the year 1908.

On motion it was decided that the sum of \$150 be assessed on District 11 for 1908 for support of poor.

## Tuesday Morning.

Tuesday, April 7.

The council met at 10.45. Minutes read and approved. The Council adjourned immediately to attend the committees at the Legislature in connection with County legislation.

The bills relating to the licensing of farmers and others by the city, and the liquor license bill were discussed before the committee. Messrs Temple, Bishop, Lydiard and Christian spoke in support of the bills before the House.

## Tuesday Afternoon.

Council met at 2.50. Minutes read and approved. A letter from P. J. Meagher and R. P. Burns relative to damage to his horse and team was read. He claimed the loss in connection with his sleigh was not \$500 but \$5. The clerk stated the letter placed the claim at \$500, probably the writer intended the amount to be \$5 but it was clearly written \$500. Ordered to be placed on file.

On motion Clarence Keyes was appointed Road Master for Section 2, District 19, in place of John Isenor.

A bill from McInnis, Mellish & Fulton for attendance on Mr. Ronnan and Mr. Wiswell taking instructions and retainer to take proceedings against W. Y. Gray, Rockingham, for obstruction of landing, attendance on Attorney General and on A. McKay and advising re same, \$25.00.

Councillor Ronnan claimed that the council were not liable for the bill. This led to some discussion.

Councillor Ronnan said he never employed the firm.

The report of the Finance committee was read, and on motion was adopted. The report is as follows :

*To His Honor the Warden and Municipal Councillors.*

Your Committee on Finance beg leave to submit the following report.

As is well known during the last few months an epidemic of Smallpox has existed in different parts of the Municipality and in the endeavor to suppress the same, necessary expenses have been incurred in several of the Districts. The County Medical Officer has visited districts infected, vaccinated many, quarantined and attended patients. Dr. Hill also attended patients in District 28.

We submit herewith the accounts, which, after consideration, we find correct,

viz.

District 15 .....	\$ 20 94
“ 20 .....	7 50
“ 28 .....	23 00
“ 29 .....	37 20
“ 31 .....	78 92
“ 33 .....	149 53
“ 36 .....	144 00
Dr. Forrest, acct .....	138 00
Dr. Hill, acct .....	10 00

Total.....\$ 609 09

In consequence of the unusual expenditure the Committee find it necessary to make an extra grant for this expenditure and bills outstanding.

Your Committee beg to submit supplementary estimates as follows :

Extra Board of Health .....	\$ 400 00
Councillors pay April Session.....	400 00

S. W. LYDIARD, *Chairman.*  
 T. E. STEWART,  
 E. E. CONROD,  
 C. W. CHRISTIAN,  
 Wm. T. KENT,  
 Wm. Bishop.

A statement of the county rates was read. The County Treasurer stated that about \$400 has been paid in since the report was made, which leaves a balance of about \$800 which has not been paid. A portion is still collectable.

Councillor Negus said that a full report should be made at the next February session, as henceforth there will be only one session.

The following resolution was adopted after a short discussion :

*Whereas*, The Municipality by-laws require the collectors of county and poor rates to issue warrants of distress against all defaulters on or before Nov. 1st, 1908.

*And whereas*, A larger number of collectors have neglected to issue said warrants as so directed.

*Therefore Resolved*, That the County Clerk be directed to call the attention of the collectors to the said by-law, and to notify them that if the same proceedings will be taken against all collectors not complying with the same for neglect of duty. Carried.

Councillor C. E. Smith reported regarding the meeting of the committee appointed to interview the Dartmouth Town Council respecting the right of way for the Halifax and Eastern Railway. He got little real information as to what Dartmouth would do. One of the difficulties in the way of anything definite was that the ratepayers would have to pass on it by vote. According to the terms of the conditions, work has to begin by July. The amount required for said right of way by the promoters is \$25,000. It was thought that Dartmouth should pay \$15,000 and the County \$10,000 or some such sum. He considered that no money should be voted unless the route was definitely fixed.

Councillor Temple followed and made some further observations. He showed that between Halifax and the County the Halifax and South Western got over \$2000 per mile for right of way for the 30 miles the road went through Halifax County.

Councillor Bishop thought this council should give what it thought right irrespective of Halifax and Dartmouth. That course had been followed with respect to the Halifax and South Western. He could not see why the company wanted all these subsidies for after the generous way they were treated by the government. He believed the government should build the road, instead of paying enormous subsidies and have no control whatever. However, it was a matter for the council to thresh out for itself.

Councillor Howe showed that the right of way would take in about 12 acres per mile. He considered that an average price of \$12 per acre which would amount to about \$150 per mile for right of way. He thought \$10,000 all the county should give.

Councillor Bishop thought Councillor Howe had figured altogether too low as houses were sometimes taken, and valuable lands as well.

Councillor Howe said he was only dealing with the land rights not consequential damages. He said a representative of the company was present last night and he had stated the prospects for building were excellent.

Councillor Negus stated that some years ago the council had granted \$5,000 for the right of way for the South Western. He said the county had agreed to pay \$8,000 for the Eastern road and he intended to stick to that, railways could be built to suit all, and those not aided by the road had to help pay. He was surprised that Dartmouth did not take more interest in this road because it would benefit more than any other section of the county.

Councillor Lydiard said he had been criticised for raising the vote from \$5,000 to \$8,000 and he would adhere to that sum. He said his section was heavily assessed and it would not benefit it in the least. Let the people interested pay the price.

Councillor Temple thought the last two speakers too sectional. He could claim that the building of this road would not assist his section one atom. He was opposed to a free right of way but the general good of the county was the thing he was in favor of. He thought \$166 per mile a very reasonable sum to give in view of what the other right of way had cost. The Guysboro Council had granted a free right of way. He appealed to the council to be fair and equitable, and put aside all sectional feeling.

Councillor C. E. Smith said this was the fourth company which had taken up this project and these had failed to go on and he assumed the reason was, they could not see that the proposition would pay.

The Engineer's report many vacant farms throughout the section to be served and a number of industries which could be developed. He said the persons interested had stated immense cement works costing a million or a million and a half of dollars would be established in Musquodoboit and it would be begun before the road was finished. So also with brick yards, etc. This company must see more than the other companies saw or they would not go on.

Again if the road builds up Dartmouth, it must build up Districts 31 and 33 which are near at hand. This council came very near to giving \$500 per mile to the Halifax and South Western when from Dutch Village to the county line it simply ran through a wilderness, now when this line come along which must certainly build up a large section and help thousands of people he was certainly in favor of aiding the present company to an equally large extent if not more.

Councillor Purcell fully agreed with Councillor C. E. Smith. He was for railways, they are the chief agents in opening up, civilizing and advancing any country.

He fully agreed with Councillor Smith for the broad minded view he had taken in the matter and he quite agreed with him as to the benefit to come to Districts 31 and 33.

Councillor Christian as a Western councillor agreed with Councillor Smith. He was prepared to vote the money required. Even if the Western road had not done all he could have wished and all it should have done for the Western Section, still he was for railways.

Councillor C. E. Smith moved, seconded by Councillor Stoddart, that this municipality vote the sum of \$12,000, that is \$166.66 per mile, the same as was paid the Halifax & South Western Railway for a distance of 72 miles.

The Warden expressed himself in favor of the motion.

Councillor Bishop said he was opposed to any larger sum than \$8,000. That he thought quite enough.

Councillor Temple spoke fully as to the increase of valuation which would certainly follow. Increase in values always follows railway construction. The increase at Hubbard's Cove in taxes is already \$400 in excess of what it was before the road went through, all of which it was shown was wholly attributable to the building of the road.

Councillors Bishop and Negus moved in amendment, that the sum of \$8,000 the amount previously voted be confirmed. The amendment being put it was lost, 5 for, 17 against. The motion being put carried 18 to 4.

Councillor Lydiard asked that the vote be made unanimous, but Councillor Bishop objected and called for names. Councillor Lydiard therefore voted with the majority on the original motion. The names being called are as follows:

For, Councillors Purcell, C. E. Smith, Christian, J. J. Boutilier, Piers, Ronnan, Stephen, Temple, McLean, Taylor, Stewart, A. F. Smith, Hall, Stoddart, Myatt, Conrod, Diggs, Lydiard, A. Boutilier, Smiley, Howe, Kaizer, Kent. 23.

Against, Councillors Bishop, Freeman, Boutilier, Moren, Negus. 4.

Councillor Purcell said at some future time he hoped to see a short branch line built to his district and he hoped the councillors would be as generous to his district as the west had been to the east in this case.

At this point W. B. A. Ritchie requested to be heard respecting the management of the Court House. This led to a discussion.

Councillor C. E. Smith wanted to know if the expenses would be in any way under the control of the council. This was shown to be within the power of the Court House Commission.

On motion the following resolution passed. That the matter of the control of the County Court House be referred to the committee on Law Amendments for consideration and that the committee report tomorrow.

## Wednesday Morning.

Council met at 10.30. Minutes read and approved.

Councillor Bishop brought up the question of the vote for right of way which had passed at the previous session. He thought the proper thing to do was to rescind the vote for \$12,000 and vote \$4,000 additional to the \$8,000 voted before. As the resolution stood he felt sure the council was now liable for right of way to the amount of \$20,000. He felt the vote had been too hurriedly put through.

After some remarks by Councillors Temple and Smith the matter dropped.

Councillor Purcell wanted a link completed in the road between Ketch Harbor and Duncans Cove. The Warden explained that the government would have to complete the road.

Councillor Howe stated that the government wished to take over the road machines. He suggested that they be hired to the government on proper terms.

Councillor Bishop suggested disposing of the stone crusher which has cost the county about \$3,000. He explained that the machinery requires considerable looking after and will seriously deteriorate when not working.

The Warden thought it was just the thing the government will require. He suggested selling to the government.

A discussion arose on the use of road machines. They are found to be most valuable when there is no rocks.

The report of the committee on Poor was read and on motion was adopted.

Later on Councillors Bishop and F. Boutilier moved the following resolution:

*Whereas*, by vote of this council in January 1904, \$8,000 was voted as a lump sum toward the construction of a railway called the Nova Scotia Eastern Railway proposing to construct said railway and the said company have not constructed said railway.

*Resolved*, That the said grant of \$8,000 be repealed and cease to be binding on this council. Carried.

Council adjourned.

## Afternoon Session.

Council met at 2.40. Minutes read and approved.

The Assessment Committee reported, and recommended that each councillor request the assessors of the various districts to send to the Municipal Clerk a statement showing the number of the telephone instruments, mileage of pole lines, wires, etc., in order that the Revisors of assessment may add to the respective assessment rolls of the respective districts the value of such property. The report was adopted.

On motion it was resolved, that the matter of the bill presented to the House of Assembly brought to this council by Mr. W. B. A. Ritchie, be deferred until the next annual meeting.

The Sir Sanford Flemming matter was again taken up, and considerable discussion followed. Ultimately the following motion was adopted.

That all road taxes now due by Sir Sanford Flemming in excess of the \$107.50 allowed in commutation of Statute Labor, that he was exempted from by a letter sent by our County Clerk, having date of 1904 shall be collected and that steps be taken by the officials of said district for its collection.

The following resolution was tabled, "That the committee on public property be authorized to call on the local government and request that body to take the steam crusher and roller off our hands as we have no further use for it, and relieve this county of indebtedness still due on the above machinery. In the event of that body not taking it off our hands, that the committee on Public Property be authorized to advertise and sell the above machinery to the highest bidder.

Councillor Bishop explained the reason for disposing of the property as soon as possible. At present it is rapidly deteriorating. A long discussion followed. Ultimately the resolution was withdrawn.



Councillors Leslie and Ronnan moved that the dog tax collected in each road section shall be added to the Statute labor fund and spent in the road section in which it is collected under the direction of the Road supervisor.

Councillor C. E. Smith made the argument in favor of paying in to the general fund, while Councillor Leslie made the argument for having the money collected spent in the section in which it is collected.

After a debate extending to 1.30 p. m. the motion made by Councillors Leslie and Ronnan was withdrawn and the following motion passed. That all monies derived from these by-laws shall be paid to the County Treasurer and form a separate fund to be disposed of at the next session of this council. Carried.

The by-laws as a whole were then adopted.

Councillor Ronnan presented a bill from William Mills for \$2.25 for service by a Forest ranger. On motion it was decided to pay the bill. Carried.

The following resolution passed that County Clerk be authorized to approve of any small accounts not exceeding \$5.00 for such account nor more than \$30.00 during any one year.

On motion Councillors Woodworth and Longard, who were compelled to leave the city owing to severe illness in their family, were allowed the full amount of their councillors pay.

At 1.45 p. m., Councillor C. E. Smith moved the following resolution, that the councillors pay shall be \$2 per day and the usual expenses for travel, and that only those exonerated through sickness be excused and that all others be paid the same amount for actual attendance as per Roll Book. This opened up a new discussion despite the desire of members to get away.

Councillor C. E. Smith showed that at one time the pay was only \$1 per day. Then later the figures went to \$2, and now it stands at \$3. He showed that this session was costing about \$3,000 out of the total yearly revenue. He said much of the time was wasted. The sessions open at 10.30 to 11 o'clock, adjourning for dinner at 12 to 12.30 to 2.30 or 3 o'clock and then adjourn at 5 o'clock. This was a deliberate waste of time. Last night there was an example, when to-day's session could have been easily avoided. The work done this session could have been done in half the time. If the Councillors are to get \$3 a day they should put in a fair days work.

Councillor Leslie agreed with much that Councillor Smith had said, but he thought the time for moving was very late. He should have moved earlier and made the hours of the sittings longer. He thought that instead of splitting hairs over the daily pay the reduction of members to at least one half the present, number would make a reduction of \$1500 a year and the work would be better done.

Councillor Smith in return said he had been persistently opposed to the change of hours and the constant early adjournments. He said that the people would not stand such a waste of time and money. Councillor Temple agreed that the cost of the session was far too great. Either the council would have to be reduced or councillors would have to come here without pay.

Councillor Lydiard, said he had voted against the \$3 pay before and he would again.

Councillor Bishop said there was very little for the council to do and every five minutes work took five hours talk to do it. He moved, seconded by Councillor Piers that the pay be \$3 per day and travelling expenses. The amendment carried. Names being called the vote was follows:

For, Diggs, Kent, Stoddart, Negus, F. Boutilier, Slaunwhite, A. F. Smith, Moren, Purcell, McLean, Howe, Reyno, Christian, Myatt, Smiley, Ronnan, Darragh, Leshe, J. J. Boutilier, Hall, Bishop, Piers, A. Boutilier, Kaizer—24.

Against, C. E. Smith, Conrod, Temple, Stephen, Lydiard, Taylor—6.

Moved by Councillor Stoddart that he considered this days session as unnecessary. He therefrom moved, seconded by Councillor Kent that the councillors get no pay for Thursday's session, April 9th.

The Warden said the council had got to come down to the decision to give a fair days work for the days pay.

# MUNICIPALITY OF HALIFAX.

## By-laws in Regard to Dogs.

1 The owner, keeper or harbinger of every dog within the Municipality shall pay an annual tax of one dollar on each dog and three dollars on each bitch owned, kept or harbored by him. Such tax shall become due and payable at the same time as Municipal rates and taxes shall become due in each year, the same to be payable to the Collector of Municipal rates and taxes in the district in which the owner, keeper or harbinger of such dog or bitch resides. The said tax remaining unpaid after the same becomes due shall be collected under the provisions of the Municipal Act.

2 The owner, keeper or harbinger of any dog found at large from owners, keepers or harbinger's premises without a tag on, unless in a vehicle, in leash to a vehicle, or in leash to an individual shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding four dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty days.

3. The owner, keeper or harbinger of any bitch, in heat or season, found at large in any place in the Municipality, shall be liable to a penalty of Four Dollars, or in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty days.

4. The owner, keeper or harbinger of any dog which is in the habit of running out in the highway and barking at horses or persons passing along the highway, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Four Dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty days.

5. No bull-dog or mastiff shall be allowed to go at large in the Municipality without continually wearing, while so at large, a muzzle sufficient to prevent such dog from biting or doing mischief, or injuring any person or animal.

6. No dog which is disposed to fight and has been in the habit of fighting, and no fierce or dangerous dog, and no dog which has attacked or bitten any person, shall be allowed to be at large in any place within the Municipality.

7. The owner, keeper or harbinger of any bull-dog or mastiff going at large without being muzzled, and the owner, keeper or harbinger of any dog which is disposed to fight, and has been in the habit of fighting, or of any fierce or dangerous dog, or any dog which has attacked or bitten any person, and which is found at large, shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Four Dollars, and in default of payment, to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty days.

8. Upon the trial and conviction of any person under any of the preceding sections in reference to the going at large or the committing of offences by dogs the Magistrate or Justices or Court before whom the said trial takes place and the said conviction is made, may, in addition to any other penalty imposed, order that the dog found going at large or committing the offence, be destroyed by a constable or other person.

9. The owner of every dog within the Municipality shall cause a collar to be placed and kept around the neck of such dog, and shall also attach to such collar a metal tag with a number stencilled thereon, the said tag to be supplied to such owner by the Collector of rates and taxes on payment of the tax hereinbefore mentioned. The Collector shall keep a record of the tags issued by him showing the name of owner, description of the dog, and the number of tag issued to such owner, and such record shall annually be filed with the County Treasurer. The owner of a dog at the expiration of each year, unless he has ceased to be the owner shall return the tag issued to him to the Collector and such collector shall issue to him a new tag on receipt of the dog tax. Any dog found going at large not having on a collar and tag, may be seized or taken by any one and kept in confinement, and such person shall notify such owner if known of the fact, if unknown then by posting notices in three public places within the district, and be entitled to a remuneration of fifty cents per day while he has

such dog in charge, but not to exceed Ten Dollars in all. If the owner does not lay claim to said dog and pay the expenses incurred within three months after receiving notice, then such person shall become the owner of the dog, and may dispose of the same as he deems best. The owner shall also be liable to a penalty not exceeding four dollars, and on non-payment thereof shall be liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty days.

10. The county shall supply the collectors with all necessary tags.

11. The Collector shall be entitled to receive and deduct ten per cent of all dog taxes collected by him, and shall pay the balance to the County Treasurer before the expiration of each year.

12. The word "owner" when used in these by-laws shall be construed to mean owner, keeper or harborer, and person with whom or on whose premises or in whose possession a dog is usually found. The word "dog" for the purposes of these by-laws shall include "bitch," except where the word "bitch" is specifically mentioned.

17. Chapter 10, of the by-laws of the Municipality of Halifax is hereby revoked and repealed and the forgoing substituted therefor.

13. Upon complaint to any Stipendiary Magistrate or any two Justice's of the Peace in and for the County of Halifax, that a dog is disposed to fight or is fierce, dangerous or malicious, or has attacked or bitten any person, the owner shall be summoned, and after hearing the complaint the Stipendiary Magistrate or Justice's of the Peace may order that the dog be continuously prevented from going at large, or he may order such dog to be destroyed, and the owner shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding ten dollars for every day upon which said dog shall afterwards be at large, and in default of payment of such penalty to imprisonment for a term not exceeding sixty days.

14. Before an order for the destruction of a dog can lawfully be made, the owner of such dog shall be summoned before a Stipendiary Magistrate or two Justices of the Peace of the County to show cause why the said dog should not be destroyed, and the Stipendiary Magistrate or the Justices of the Peace, upon due proof of the service of the summons, may proceed to hear and determine the matter and make such order as he deems just therein. The summons shall be personally served when practicable, but if not, the same shall be left at the last place of abode of such owner with some person there of apparent years of discretion.

15 The forms to be used under Sections 13 and 14 hereof shall be those in the schedule hereto prescribed or forms to the like effect, and an order granted under said sections may be executed by any constable or peace officer of the County.

16. All monies derived from these by-laws shall be paid into the County Treasurer and shall be disposed of as the Council of the Municipality at its annual meeting may direct.

#### INFORMATION.

COUNTY OF HALIFAX, SS.

The information and complaint of \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ in the County of Halifax, \_\_\_\_\_ taken before the undersigned Stipendiary Magistrate, (or two of His Majesty's Justice of the Peace) in and for the County of Halifax, at \_\_\_\_\_ in the said County, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, who says that a certain dog (here describe the dog) of which it is alleged \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ in the said County, is the owner, being within the County

(a) Is disposed to fight

(b) Is fierce, dangerous, malicious

(c) Attacked or hit without provocation \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 10

(d) Being a bull dog (or mastiff) was, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, at large in the district of \_\_\_\_\_ in the said County, without a muzzle sufficient to prevent the said dog from biting or doing mischief contrary to the provisions of Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ of the by-laws of the Municipality of Halifax County. Taken before the day and year first above written at \_\_\_\_\_ in the County of Halifax.

Stipendiary Magistrate (or Justices of the Peace) in and for the County of Halifax.

## SUMMONS.

COUNTY OF HALIFAX, SS.

To

You are hereby required to appear before the undersigned Stipendiary Magistrate (or two of His Majesty's Justices of the Peace) in and for the County of Halifax, at my office at \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, at the hour of \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock in the \_\_\_\_\_ noon, to answer to the complaint of \_\_\_\_\_ taken before the said justices this day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_, who says that a certain dog (here describe the dog) of which it is alleged you are the owner, being within the said County,

(a) Is disposed to fight

(b) Is fierce, dangerous or malicious

(c) Attacked (or bit) without provocation \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_, in the said County, on the \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_

(d) Being a bull dog (or mastiff) was on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 19\_\_\_\_, at large in the district of \_\_\_\_\_, in the said County, without a muzzle sufficient to prevent the said dog from biting or doing mischief contrary to the provisions of Chapter 10 of the by-laws of the Municipality of Halifax County. And in answering the said complaint you are further required then and there to show cause why the said dog should not be destroyed if the said complaint shall be established \_\_\_\_\_ me upon the hearing thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_, in the County aforesaid.

(Seal)

Stipendiary Magistrate (or Justices of the Peace) in and for the County of Halifax.

## ORDER.

To any of the Constables or other Peace Officers in and for the County of Halifax.

Whereas it hath this day been established before me upon the complaint of \_\_\_\_\_ that a certain dog (here describe the dog as in information) of which \_\_\_\_\_ is the owner, being within the said county,

(a) Is disposed to fight

(b) Is fierce, dangerous or malicious

(c) Attacked or bit \_\_\_\_\_ without provoking on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, in the district of \_\_\_\_\_, in the said County

(d) Being a bull dog (or mastiff) was on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, at large in the district of \_\_\_\_\_, in the said County, without a muzzle sufficient to prevent the said dog from biting or doing mischief contrary to the provisions of Chapter 10 of the by-laws of the Municipality of Halifax County, I do order and adjudge that the said dog be destroyed, and I do hereby authorize you the said Constable or Peace Officer, or any of you forthwith to carry out the execution of this my order wherever and whenever you shall find the said dog within the said County and make return of your doings here immediately after you have executed the same.

Witness my hand and seal at \_\_\_\_\_, in the said County, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

(Seal.)

Stipendiary Magistrate (or two Justice of the Peace) in and for the County of Halifax.

# Minutes and Reports

OF THE

## Council of the Municipality

OF THE

## County of Halifax.



SPECIAL SESSION - - 1908

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# SPECIAL SESSION

HALIFAX

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

HELD DEC. 22nd,

1908.

A special meeting of the Municipal Council of the County of Halifax, was held on Tuesday December 22nd, meeting at 11 o'clock a. m.

The Clerk called the roll the only absentees being Councillors Slaunwhite, Longard and Piers. Councillors Longard, Slaunwhite and Piers were absent through illness.

The clerk then stated that during the interim Warden Taylor had died and that Deputy Warden Bishop was legally in the chair. Also that Councillor Henry Lindsay had been elected to fill the vacancy made by the demise of Councillor Taylor. He then read the requisition for a meeting and the call of the Council.

Halifax N. S. December 10th, 1908.

Wm. Bishop Esq,

Deputy Warden of the Municipality of the County of Halifax.

Dear Sir:—We the Undersigned members of the County Council in and for the Municipality of the County of Halifax, request that a special meeting of the Council of said Municipality shall be called to be held at the County Court House at Halifax, on the 22nd day of December, 1908, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon to deal with certain accounts rendered against the said Municipality in connection with the quarantining of Smallpox patients in the Town of Dartmouth, and in the said County, during the year 1908, for the payment of which in some cases, notice of action at law has been served on the Municipality, and to deal with any other matters which can properly be brought before the said meeting of the Council upon due notice being given,

Yours faithfully

Lindsay Moren	Sidney Stephen
George H Longard	Clarence W Christian
Wm. F Negus	George H Diggs
R. A. Slaunwhite	Charles E Smith
Francis Purcell	S. W Lydiard
W. A. Temple	F. A. Rouan
D. T. Leslie	Abel E Boutillier
Henry Piers	James V Reyno

Pursuant to the application required by Section 82 of Chapter 70 of the Municipal Corporations "The Municipal Act."

Public notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Halifax will be held at the County Court House at eleven o'clock in the forenoon of Tuesday the 22nd day of December A. D. 1908 to which all members of the said Council are hereby notified and requested to attend for the following purposes:—

A. To consider and deal with certain accounts rendered against the said Municipality in connection with the expenses incurred in the quarantining of certain persons infected with Smallpox during the year 1908 in the health district of the Town of Dartmouth and in several districts in the said Municipality of the County of Halifax for the payment of which in some cases notice of action at law has been served on the Municipality, and to devise methods of preventing such quarantining and other expenses being incurred on account of infection by smallpox in future cases.

B. To take such action as the Council may deem best in the interests of the Municipality with respect to a certain resolution which it was proposed to adopt at the last semiannual session of the Council, but which on account of the press of business was not acted upon, namely:—To abolish assessment and taxation of all personal property within the said Municipality in order to lighten the burden of taxation as far as possible on the farmer, the fisherman the miner and other producers.

C. To deal with and take such action as the said Council considers advisable under the power and authority conferred on said Council by section 3 of chapter 137 of the acts passed by the legislature of Nova Scotia in the year 1908.

Dated at Halifax N. S. this 11th day of December A. D. 1908.

Wm. Bishop  
Deputy Warden.

Deputy Warden Bishop referred most feelingly to the death of Warden Taylor, He said he had attended the funeral and the universal sympathy and respect shown the deceased was most touching.

He then proceeded with the regular order of business.

The following resolution moved and seconded by Councillors Negus and Stoddard that the claim of Dr. Simpson for medical attendance in connection with the Smallpox cases in the town of Dartmouth be referred to a committee consisting of Deputy Warden Bishop and four Councillors to be named by him to confer with the Dartmouth Town Council or representatives thereof with respect to such claim, and with full power to make such arrangement and early settlement of the matter as possible consistent with the best interests of the Municipality of the County of Halifax, and that the County Clerk be and is hereby empowered to negotiate an overdraft with the Union Bank of Halifax if necessary for any sum or sums of money which may be required in order to complete or carry into effect such arrangement or settlement. Passed unanimously.

The Deputy Warden announced that he appointed Councillors C E Smith, Temple Leslie and Ronnan.

Councillor Negus said as mover of the resolution that he was far from wedded to it. He felt the bill was altogether too large, but he supposed that the relations of the Municipality and Dartmouth was responsible for the trouble. He moved the resolution so as to get the matter before the Council

Councillors Darragh and Howe also expressed their views on the matter. Councillor Howe wanted the bill read so that the Council could know what they were voting on.

The Deputy Warden said the bill was large, the county is responsible for bills of this nature, but Dartmouth has to pay its share.

The County Clerk expressed the view that the town of Dartmouth had not treated the County Council courteously, as it had never yet sent him a single line to show there was any contagious disease in the town. The bill amounts to \$2634.34. This led to a long discussion regarding the legal status of the two municipalities and the liability of each.

The amount of the bills presented from various parts of the county, outside the town of Dartmouth, is quite large.

Councillor F Boutillier wanted the amounts of the various bills read. He thought some of them might be too large.

The Deputy Warden then fully explained how careful the committee was in paying bills, cutting them down and often refusing payment of items altogether. The greatest care was taken in the payment of all bills.

It was moved and seconded by Councillors D T Leslie and S Stephens that all accounts incurred during the year 1908 in connection with the smallpox and other infectious diseases, quarantine, etc., throughout the Municipality of the County of Halifax after having been audited by the County Clerk assisted by the Audit Committee appointed for that purpose at the semi annual meeting of the Council of the Municipality, held in April last be paid, and that the County Clerk be, and is hereby empowered to negotiate an overdraft with the Union Bank of Halifax for the payment of any sum or sums of money required, in addition to the full amount of twelve hundred dollars voted for that purpose at the annual and semi annual meeting of the Council of said Municipality, held respectively in the months of January and April, A D 1908. Passed unanimously.

A number of the Councillors expressed the opinion that the difficulties could be amicably arranged, and that the town of Dartmouth was not at all hostile to this Municipality.

It was moved by Councillors J J Boutillier and Lindsay, that the Clerk be instructed to procure sufficient large posters, to send at least two to each Councillor and every member of the Boards of Health in the Municipality of the County of Halifax, with the request to post the same in a conspicuous place in their district giving full, ample and unmistakable notice that the Municipality of the County of Halifax will not, after Dec.

31, 1908, be responsible for or pay any expense such as charges or fees of physicians, food or other supplies, etc., which may be incurred as a result of infection by smallpox, and other infectious diseases, and adding to such poster the statement that the medical profession almost unanimously endorse vaccination as the one desirable safe guard against infection from smallpox. Passed unanimously.

The Council then adjourned until 2 p. m.

Before the adjournment the Deputy Warden stated that Mayor Notting had asked to meet the Council for a few minutes respecting the relation of the two Municipalities respecting the carrying out of the health act. Mayor Notting on his arrival was invited to a seat beside the Warden.

After adjournment Mayor Notting and the Committee held a Conference.

## Afternoon Session

Councillor Piers took his seat in the afternoon leaving only two absentees. Minutes read, before being approved Councillor Christian wished to say that he thought the resolution regarding the refusal by the Council to pay certain charges in future which may be incurred by the various districts in regard to Health expenditures, was not in accordance with the law.

Councillor Kent felt that the view of Councillor Christian was correct.

Councillor Temple while saying the discussion was out of order thought it wise to make an explanation, and in doing this went over the statistics dealing with the matter. He expressed the view that many bills had been paid in the past which should not have been paid. He thought therefore that the resolution was wholly within the law. The minutes then passed.

The second clause in the call of Council was then taken up. Councillor Temple suggested, that as there was considerable difference of opinion regarding the wisdom of the proposed change and a number who felt they were not at present sufficiently conversant with the subject that the Warden permit an informal discussion. This was agreed to. Councillors Darragh, Howe, Temple, and Christian spoke on the subject.

Councillor Howe favored the move, he showed how he was assessed at a real value of \$6 per acre while others such as Messrs Logan and Sutherland got off with enormously less although their land was covered with valuable timber, while his was not.

Councillor Darragh was opposed to the change. He could not see why a person owning a lot of valuable personalty should escape taxation.

The County Clerk stated that the way the personal tax was being levied it was becoming a farce and might be abolished unless remedied in some Districts.

Council Myatt asked how this would affect the school tax. He was informed the school tax would not be affected.

On motion the matter of exemption of assessment and taxation of personal property was referred to the Assessment Committee for them to report on at the February session.

The following resolution was moved by Councillor Moren and seconded by Councillor Ronnan :—

*Whereas* in and by Chapter 137 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, passed in the year 1908, it was among other things enacted, that certain municipalities might give aid by bonuses, subsidy or guarantee of bonds to assist the company therein mentioned in its undertaking ;

*And Whereas*, It has been deemed advisable by the Municipal Council for the Municipality of the county of Halifax, in lieu of the bonuses or subsidies therein contemplated to be given to guarantee the bonds of the company to be issued ;

*Therefore Resolved*, That the Municipality of the county of Halifax guarantee the principal and interest at the rate of not more than five per centum per annum, of the

thirty year first mortgage Gold Bonds of the Halifax and Suburban Electric Company, Limited, when issued, to the full amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, authorized by Section 3 of Chapter 137 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, passed in the year 1908. Said bonds to be secured by a first mortgage or deed of trust on the Company's property and franchises to be made to a reputable Trust Company, to secure the payment of said bonds to be issued by the said company,

*Further Resolved*, That the Warden and Clerk of said Municipality be, and they are hereby authorized and instructed to endorse the guarantee of said Municipality of the County of Halifax, on each bond in such manner as they may be advised to fully effectuate the object of this resolution,

*And Whereas*, The said Municipality is willing to guarantee a further amount of the bonds of said company in lieu of granting an exemption or exemptions from taxation on the property of the said company, or giving or granting bonuses or subsidies to said company.

Therefore it is further resolved that the Municipality of the County of Halifax guarantee the principal and interest at the rate of not more than five per centum per annum, of the thirty year First Mortgage Gold Bonds of the Halifax and Suburban Electric Company, Limited, when issued to a further amount of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

Said bonds to be secured by a first mortgage or deed of trust on the company's property and franchises, to be made to a reputable trust company to secure the payment of said bonds to be issued by the said company, and that when the said further guarantee is authorized and confirmed by the Legislature of Nova Scotia, that the Warden and Clerk of such Municipality be, and they are hereby authorized and instructed to endorse the guarantee of said Municipality of the county of Halifax, on each bond in such manner as they may be advised, to fully effectuate the object of this resolution.

The resolution was spoken to by Councillors Moren, Christian, Roman, C E Smith, Howe, Temple, Stephens, Deputy Warden Bishop, Purcell, Darragh, Stoddart, Kent and Negus.

Councillor Christian wished to have the whole subject fully and carefully discussed, so that each councillor would know the full facts. He was in favor of the guarantee, but was not certain as to guaranteeing both principal and interest. He was quite willing to guarantee the interest, but had doubts about the guarantee of the principal.

Councillor Temple stated that as he was an interested party he would ask to be excused from voting, if any Councillor wished him to make a statement he would ask permission to do so from outside the rail of the Council Chamber. The permission was granted.

Councillor C E Smith spoke at some length in support of the resolution. He was in favor of developing the natural resources of the county, and he knew of no better thing to develop than the unused water powers. Cheap electric power was a prime necessity in these days, and at Fall River there was a large power which could be developed, which would be of the greatest value in establishing industries and increasing the assessable property of the county.

In his opinion the power would greatly increase the assessable property in a very few years. He had gone over the engineer's reports and was convinced there was sufficient water to produce more than 1000 horse power continuously, every hour of the year, as stated in the reports. The reports left no doubt in the mind of anyone reading them that this would be a financial success, and a sound business proposition.

The County was fully protected by a first mortgage, clear of all incumbrances, on the franchises of the company, and on all property now owned by Mr. Dillion and his associates, and on all property that may hereafter be acquired. It was time for the County to do something to improve conditions. The population of the

ment and property of every kind which may be acquired as security for the bond issue.

There is great need for better transportation services in this county and to my mind the solution of the problem is in electric roads. This will furnish the initial power for such purposes at lower costs than can be obtained otherwise. It will not only be an object lesson of what can be done along these lines for this county, but to the whole province.

Deputy Warden Bishop gave utterance to the evident sentiment of the Council when he expressed approval of the undertaking. He was also in favor of the guarantee. He felt this was a move in the right direction, the natural resources of the county must be developed if the county was to make any progress.

Councillor Stephen took the attitude of Councillor Howe, and wanted the county thoroughly safeguarded in every way. He was insistent that the proceeds of the bonds be spent on the property under proper supervision. He knew the water power to be a fine one. Commissioners Darragh, Purcell, Stoddart and Negus all felt it was time to do whatever could be safely done by the Council. Councillor Purcell said it was time to be doing something, as we had been 60 years doing nothing. Councillor Keut said it was a large undertaking and he wished to feel certain that the interests of the county would be well secured.

Councillor Howe at the close stated that the people of Nova Scotia were the equal of any people in the world, morally, physically, intellectually, and possibly financially, and he said this after having seen many places. Many of these went to the United States and the west and we need them here. The question was then put when the resolution passed without a dissenting vote.

Moved by Councillors C E Smith and Christian that Deputy Warden Bishop appoint four members of the Council to act with himself, as a committee to look after the details of carrying the resolution guaranteeing the bonds of the Halifax and Suburban Electric company into effect. Carried.

The Deputy Warden named Councillors C E Smith, W F Negus, F A Ronnan, and D T Leslie to be said committee.

On motion Councillor Longard and others unavoidably detained from attending were excused,

Moved by Councillors Ronnan and Christian that the members attending this meeting of the Council be paid \$3 per day and travelling expenses. Passed.

The Council then adjourned.