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Moved by Alderman Gough seconded by Alderman

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Solicitor ✓
Secretary and President ✓
Urban Council
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Provincial Secretary ✓

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WATER SUPPLY.

Alderman Regan submits the following resolution:-

WHEREAS at a mass meeting of citizens held at the Majestic Theatre on Monday, January 3rd, resolutions were unanimously adopted to the following effect;

That extensive underground leaks had been proved to exist in the high service water supply and that such leaks would very likely be found also in the low service supply;

That water meters could not and would not check this great underground wastage of water;

That an immediate survey of all water mains of the city by experts is imperative in order to check the underground wastage of water and to conserve the available water supply for urgent domestic and fire protection needs;

That a report should be prepared on behalf of the City as early as possible as to the cost and feasibility of a special salt water fire protection service and fire boat for the business districts;

THEREFORE RESOLVED His Worship the Mayor is hereby instructed to communicate with the Pitometer Company of New York or other firms who specialize in the location of leaks in underground mains with a view to recommending to Council a contract for a complete and immediate survey of the water mains of the City;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED His Worship the Mayor and Board of Works are requested to prepare a report for Council as early as possible on the feasibility, cost and best method of employing salt water for fire protection in the central business districts with special reference to turbid pumping station on the water front and special fire mains serving high pressure hydrants at central points; and also report to Council the prospect for an early arrangement for a fire boat for the water front.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Regan and seconded by Alderman Mason.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Ritchie that this matter be deferred and that a copy of the resolution be furnished each Alderman.

Alderman Kelly verbally gives notice that at a future meeting he will move that the minimum water rate be fifty (50) cents per month.

Engineer ✓
Club & Works ✓
Mayor ✓
Council ✓
Subsidiary ✓

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Read report Chief Churchill of the Fire Department re fire at Wood Brothers and other properties on Granville and Hollis Streets December 24th as follows:-

Office of Chief Fire Department,
Halifax, N.S. December 30th, 1920

To His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

Acting on your instructions I beg to make the following report as to the condition of the water system and other matters pertaining to The Wood Bros. Co. Ltd. fire on the morning of the 24th inst.

This fire had gained serious proportions before any notification to the Fire Department had been given. The first apparatus to arrive at the fire was the salvage car from the Brunswick Street station closely followed by the triple combination pumper from the same station, they having responded on a telephone message that a big fire was raging on Hollis Street. The turret wagon and aerial wa truck from the Bedford Row Station were the next pieces of apparatus on the scene. Those companies also responded by being informed by some person passing the Bedford Row Station on going to the station for that purpose.

The next in order to arrive at the fire was the hose waggon from Grafton Street Station with the ladder truck from the same station just behind the wagon. They responding to the fire on the second round of Box 4. Simultaneously the triple combination from the Morris Street Station pulled up at the same hydrant, corner George and Granville Streets as did the Grafton Street wagon. In the meantime the steam fire engine from Bedford Row Station took up its position at the corner of Bedford Row and George Street and connected to the hydrant at that corner. Just as the triple combination from Morris Street was connected to the hydrant at the corner of George and Granville Streets and as the first stream of water on Granville Street was leaving the nozzle I arrived at the corner of George and Granville Streets and leaving my car, ran to the branch man of this stream and directed it through the third story window of the granite front building now are annex of the Wood Bros Stores immediately adjoining Coleman & Co. From there I proceeded to Box 315 and turned in the second alarm, then to Hollis Street where the aerial ladder was already in operation and discharging water from two lines of hose. After a brief interview with Deputy Chief Howley who was directing the Department on Hollis Street. I returned to Box. 315 again and turned in the third alarm.

After careful inquiry I found that the salvage car and pumper were well on their way to the fire when the alarm sounded and that the first two

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streams of water laid by those companies through the Bank of Nova Scotia were completed in the remarkable quick time of about three minutes after leaving the station. The aerial ladder which was next to go into action with a line of hose laid from the Bank of Montreal corner and another from the steamer on the corner of Hollis and George Streets was completed in four minutes after they left the station. The first line to go into action on Granville Street was a line laid by the Grafton Street wagon and the estimated time after the alarm had sounded until they had water on through the pumper from Morris Street was about five minutes and simultaneously two other lines were applied on Granville Street from the same pumper. Other lines were laid in order as the second and third alarm apparatus responded and in good time.

A brief idea of the proportions that this fire had gained on my arrival which was about five minutes after the alarm sounded, the Wood Bros. building was one huge mass of flames from cellar to attic and from Granville Street to Hollis Street much of the roof was burnt through, flames leaping skyward and burning embers flying with the wind. No window glass was left. Flames were leaping through windows on both Granville and Hollis Streets. Without any hesitation I consider this the greatest body of fire that the Department has ever had to contend with on the start in my experience of the last twenty six years and it was with great difficulty that the wooden structures of Longards Ltd., Hillis & Sons Ltd., T.C. Allen & Co. and Charles A. Barnstead's on Granville and Hollis Streets immediate opposite were at all saved from total destruction. I realized this at once and extreme efforts were concentrated to prevent this from occurring which was crowned with success due only to the gallant and determined efforts of my men.

There were in all three steam fire engines and three motor pumper put in action, three of which responded on the first alarm viz: Motor Cornwallis from Brunswick Street Station, capacity 750 gals., worked from hydrant corner of George and Hollis Streets discharged through three lines of hose at from 75 to 100 lbs. pump pressure, 35 to 38 lbs. hydrant pressure. Motor Chebucto from Morris Street station, capacity 750 gallons worked from hydrant on corner of George and Granville Streets discharged through three lines of hose at from 75 to 100 lbs. pump pressure, 35 lbs. hydrant pressure. This engine drew vacuum when pump pressure was advanced to 100 lbs. King Edward steam fire engine from Bedford Row Fire Station, capacity 800 gallons worked from hydrant corner of George Street and Bedford Row, discharged through two lines of hose, at 75 lbs. pump pressure, 34 lbs. hydrant pressure, under 60 to 80 lbs. steam. Motor Patricia from West Street Station, capacity 600 gals. worked from hydrant corner Duke and Hollis

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Streets discharged through two lines of hose at 100 lbs. pump pressure, 35 lbs. hydrant pressure. Columbia steam fire engine from Quinpool Road, capacity 600 gals. worked mostly from hydrant corner Duke and Granville Streets, discharged through two lines of hose at 150 lbs. pump pressure, 35 lbs. hydrant pressure under 80 to 90 lbs. steam. This engine also worked on the corner of Buckingham and Granville Streets and the water pressure was similar to what the other hydrants were showing Alexandra from Bedford Row Station, capacity 1000 gals. Imp., Stationed at King's Wharf discharged salt water through two lines of hose at 200 to 250 lbs. pump pressure under 80 to 90 lbs steam.

In all there were fourteen streams of water working from six pumper during the time the fire was at its worst which were reduced as the fire became under control. The first engine to be relieved was the Alexandra partly to permit traffic through Water Street, Hollis Street and Bedford Row which was beyond the ordinary owing to the holiday season. After the engines from the hydrants were being replaced by hydrant streams the pressure rose to an average of 40 lbs.

On a whole I think the water supply was equal to similar fires of wuch proportion. Our aerial ladder was hampered by wires on Hollis Street there being very high voltage wires on both Granville and Hollis Streets such as those that supply high voltage to the Shipyards, Liquid Air Plant and Dartmouth. This is extremely hazarous and some action should be taken whereby those unsightly, high tention and deadly wires should be placed under ground which would greatly tend to beautify our streets and safeguard the lives of our ditizens.

J.W. Churchill,
Chief Halifax Fire
Department.

His Worship the Mayor is called to the telephone and Deputy Mayor Regan being on his feet addressing the Council, Alderman Murphy takes the Chair at His Worship's request.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

With the consent of the seconder and the Council Alderman Colwell withdraws his amendment.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Colwell seconded by Alderman Ritchie that the whole matter referred to in Alderman Regan's resolution be referred to the Committee on Works for report at a very early date.

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The amendment is put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman

Hoyt that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Railway Level Crossings - 630.
Water Supply - 631.

Council adjourns 10.45 o'clock.

L. Fred Monaghan
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CITY CLERK.

J.S. Parker,

MAYOR.

*Engineer
Mayor ✓
City Clerk ✓
Dept. ✓*

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Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Gough that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.20 o'clock. Roll called; present the above named together with Aldermen Bissett, Hoyt, Buckley, Mason, Ritchie and Hubley.

The Council was summoned to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

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FIRE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee of Fire Wards recommending accounts for payment.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 5th, 1921.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee of Fire Wards met this afternoon and beg to recommend for payment the following named accounts:-

T. C. Allen & Co.	Supplies	1.45
S. C. Thompson	Feed	256.10
James Donohue	Supplies	1.00
American LaFrance Fire Engine Co.	"	16.70
K. MacPhee Burns & Kelleher	"	10.70

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National Fire Protection Association		10.00
A.H. Lamphier	Repairs	18.00
Sheehan Motor Co.	Supplies	.15
Ungar's Laundry	Laundry	54.85
N.S. Tramway & Power Co.	Light	68.24
E.S. Cottingham	Repairs	8.38
D.A. Cummings	Plumbing	698.75
Office Specialty Mfg. Co.	Supplies	7.05
Dominion Rubber System	Rubber Boots	70.90
Motor Sales	Motor Supplies	.25
Imperial Oil Limited	Gasoline	188.26
Brookfield Bros. Ltd.	Supplies	4.55
John MacInnes & Son	Lumber	8.54
Sun Life Assurance Co.	Insurance	1055.98
H.D. MacKenzie	Coal	100.00
Neil Fox	Supplies	15.00
O.C. Marriott	Horseshoeing	27.15
Wm. Collings & Son	Repairs	42.10
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.		29.45
J.W. Churchill	9 No. plates for cars	9.00
		<u>\$2702.55</u>

1918-19 Account.

Dorey Electrics Ltd.	Supplies	47.09
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Fire Alarm System.

Northern Electric Co.	Supplies	633.96
Jas. Simmonds	Supplies	4.49
N.S. Tram & Power Co.	Battery Charge	2.28
Stairs Son & Morrow	Supplies	5.36
		<u>\$646.09</u>

W.W. Hoyt,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

CITY HOME.

Read report Charities Committee for the month of December.

Halifax, N.S. January 5th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report, Members present the Chairman, Aldermen Cameron, Hoyt and Hubley. The Superintendents report shows that during the month of December 1920, there were 39

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persons admitted into the City Home, 3 born, 25 discharged and 2 died. Of the number admitted 9 were chargeable to the Province and 30 to the City. The total number of inmates December 31st, 1920 was 315 made up of 177 men, 132 women and 6 children: On the same date last year there were 161 men, 122 women and 3 children a total of 286.

The following named accounts are recommended for payment viz:

Wentzells Ltd,	Flour	647.50
John Tobin & Co.	Groceries	731.08
W.A. Maling & Co.	Meats	840.69
Davis & Fraser	Mess Park	105.00
Smith & Proctor	Butter	348.30
Leonard Fisheries Ltd.	Fresh Fish	81.58
H.D. MacKenzie Co.Ltd.	Coal	854.15
H.D. Grant	Milk	179.64
Fleischman Co.	Yeast	4.90
S.C. Thompson	Forage	40.95
T.J. Whalen & Co.	Dry Goods	416.73
N.S. Tram & Power Co.Ltd.	Light & Power (4)	73.85
H. McFatrige	Horseshoeing	16.25
Snow & Co. Ltd.	Coffin Fixtures	5.20
Nickerson & Crease Ltd.	Oranges	13.00
Clifford E. Hubley	Poultry	57.60
Maritime Tel. & Phone Co.	Exchange Service	15.16
Mathers & Doull	Professional Services	5.00
Kellys Ltd.	Harness	14.50
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	13.14
B.O. Archibald	Dispensing Medicine	50.00
Jas. Simmonds Ltd,	Sundries	4.24
Nat. Drug & Chem.Co.Ltd.	Shaving Soap	1.62
Dr. M.A. MacAuley	Lunacy Certificate	5.00
J.H. Buchanan	Cash Expended	284.92
Salaries	Dec. Pay Sheet	1331.45
	Total.....	\$6141.45

H. S. Colwell,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Hubley seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the report be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report Police Committee recommending accounts for payment.

Office of Chief of Police,
Halifax, N.S. Jan. 6th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Commission held this date, the following named accounts amounting

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to \$319.28 were examined found correct and recommended for payment.

Telephone Co.	Service	15.00
London Rubber Stamp Co.	Badges	6.00
Clayton & Sons	Ulsters	64.64
W. Roy Eckersley	Repairing Typewriter	2.00
Ross Paint Co.	Auto Notices	2.55
Metropolitan Motors Ltd.	Repairs & Supplies	15.35
John Starr	Nitro Lamp	4.00
Central Garage	Labor on Patrol	22.50
Hfx. Vul Wks	Repairing tires M.P.	8.25
E.S. Cottingham	Chain Pliers	1.01
W.M. Dixon	Repairing coat	12.00
Hfx. Auto Co.	Repairs and Supplies	41.86
Dunlop Tire Co.	S.W. Traction	43.75
Renown Auto Supply	Chains for Chief Car.	10.75
Dr. McFatridge	Destroying dog	1.00
A.R. Cogswell	Photo Supplies	2.32
Frank Colwell Ltd.	Rain and Fur caps	56.00
T.C. Allen	Office supplies	10.30
	Total.....	\$319.28

J. S. Parker,
Mayor and Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

WORKS DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Works recommending accounts for payment.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. Jan. 6th, 1921

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Works Committee beg to recommend for payment accounts amounting to the sum of \$31,787.73, attached hereto, chargeable to the following services:-

Permanent Sidewalks	15.92
City Hall Wiring	23.75
Teams & Stables	1210.63
Market Revenue	189.66
Morris St. Extension	4.05
Fire Alarm Loss	121.48
Fuel Account	500.00
Pumping Station	671.01
Cleaning Paved Streets	94.88
Elec. Wiring Inspection	18.38
Motor Sprinklers	31.68

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Rents City Property	77.78	
Tuberculosis Hospital	22.40	
Permanent Pavement	73.98	
City Property	134.61	
Telephones	209.40	
Internal Health	293.09	
Streets	2077.52	
Sewerage	3386.49	
City Hall Lighting	109.10	
Street Lighting	<u>3443.79</u>	\$12709.60.
Water Maintenance	1529.39	
Water Maintenance	<u>10948.44</u>	\$25187.43
<u>Final Payments on Contracts.</u>		
Permanent Pavement Can. Bit. Paving Corp.	2675.59	
Sewerage Day & Kaizer Oxford St.	708.43	
Sewerage Hanratty & McDonnell Tower Road	560.86	
Water Construction Hanratty & McDonnell Elm. St.	256.78	
Water Construction Luciano & Chaussee Poplar St.	673.05	
Water Construction Fred Walsh service pipes	303.87	
Per. Sidewalks Hanratty & McDonnell	<u>1023.98</u>	\$31,787.73

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman
Hubley that the report be adopted and the accounts
paid. Motion passed.

HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Health Board recommending
accounts for payment.

Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, N S. January 6th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor and
Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The attached accounts from the City Health
Board amounting to \$1,407.88 are submitted for your
information and necessary action.

N.S. Tramway & Power Co.	Service	\$32.94
National Drug.	Disinfectants	49.00
N.S. Telephone Co.	Service	55.10
W. Lloyd Wood	Anti Toxin	186.52
Morton & Thomson	Battery	.50

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A.M. Fraser
 Farquhar Bros.
 C.P.R. Telegraph
 T.C. Allen
 Hfx. Herald
 Western Union Telegraph

Type ribbon	2.00
Lamps	2.50
Telegrams	4.00
Office Supplies	.25
Advertising	37.80
Telegrams	11.77
	<u>\$ 382.38</u>

Isolation Hospital.

Leonard Fisheries
 S. Cunard Co.
 J.J. Scriven & Son
 E.J. Sullivan
 Priest & Sons
 P.T. Shea
 Cragg Bros.
 Hfx. Steam Laundry
 J & M Murphy
 F.M. Walker
 D. Morgan
 N.S. Furnishing Co.
 J. Lycon
 J.A. Leaman & Co.
 Wentzells Ltd.
 J.D. Walsh
 MacLeod & Balcom

Fish	8.86
Coal	450.91
Bread	15.47
Drugs	6.25
Blue Prints Heating	6.50
Butter & eggs	50.25
Shovels etc.	24.30
Washing	78.70
Gauze etc.	15.29
Milk	35.23
Sweeping Chimneys	3.00
Table Oil	1.44
Taxi	18.00
Meat	41.00
Groceries	122.40
Drugs	61.20
Drugs	85.50
	<u>\$ 1,024.30</u>

Small - pox.
 Austen Bros.

Re-fills fire extinguisher	1.20
	<u>1.20</u>

Total.....\$1,407.88

J. A. Watters,
 Secretary City Health
 Board.

Moved by Alderman Cameron seconded by Alderman
 Murphy that the report be adopted and the accounts
 paid. Motion passed.

GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

Read report Commissioners of Halifax Common
 recommending for payments accounts chargeable to
 the Public Gardens.

Committee Room, City Hall,
 December 30th, 1920.

The City Council.
 Gentlemen:-

The Commissioners of Halifax Common beg
 to recommend for payment the following named accounts
 chargeable to the Public Gardens.

Austen Bros.	Supplies	5.35
Sand & Gravel Transportation Co.	Gravel	11.36
Walsh Bros.	Painting & Glazing	265.04

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John G. O'Toole

Plumbing

125.60
\$ 407.35

J. S. Parker,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman
Murphy that the report be adopted and the accounts
paid. Motion passed.

CITY PRISON ACCOUNTS

Read report City Prison Committee recommending
accounts for payment.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 5th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee on City Prison beg to
recommend for payment the following named accounts:-

J.J. Scriven & Sons	Bread	\$150.54
Howards Limited	Groceries	191.74
W.A. Maling & Co.	Beef	146.94
S.C. Thompson	Feed	63.00
Neil Fox	Harness supplies	21.48
K. MacPhee	Repairs to Waggon	12.20
Robert Taylor Co. Ltd.	Boots	38.38
Michael Day	Repairs to Furnace	54.97
Hubley's Hardware Co.		15.10
Thomas J. Egan	Repairs to revolvers	8.70
H.D. MacKenzie Co. Ltd.	Coal	290.88
Hillis & Sons Ltd.		11.25
A & W MacKinlay Ltd.	Stationery	4.40
Maritime Telephone Co. Ltd.	Rental	10.14
N.S. Tramway & Power Co. Ltd.		14.42
		<u>\$1034.14</u>

Geo. E. Ritchie,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman
Hubley that the report be adopted and the accounts
paid. Motion passed.

LIBRARY ACCOUNTS.

Read report Citizens Free Library Commission
recommending accounts for payment.

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To His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Library Commission beg to recommend
the following bills for payment.

Current Literature Pub. Co.	Magazine	.35
Royal Print & Litho Ltd.	Binding Books	<u>128.11</u>
		\$128.46

L. Barnaby,
Librarian.

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman
Whitman that the report be adopted and the accounts
paid. Motion passed.

WATER SERVICE.

Read letter covering resolutions in respect to
the City Water Service passed at a public meeting
held in the Majestic Theatre Barrington Street on
Monday evening January 3rd, inst.

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The Mayor and Aldermen,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

At the request of the Chairman of the Mass
meeting at the Majestic Theatre, Mr. W.E. McLellan,
I am sending you copy of resolution adopted at that
meeting for the attention of your organization.

M.S. Cunningham.

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WHEREAS in response to questions concerning the
high service water supply of the city, which were
submitted to the City Works' Department, the City
Engineer, under date of December 1st, 1920, has made
the following report to the Deputy Mayor.

"The total amount charged for by meter on the
"high service for one year from September 1919 to
"September 1920 is Two hundred and thirty one
"million nine hundred and seventy one thousand
"and three hundred (231,971,300) gallons. This
"amount may not appear large but all the high
"service is not yet metered that is to say new
"houses. If you will permit me I might mention
"that the service to buildings on the exhibition
"track is not metered nor are the houses on the

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"south common. The approximate total number
"of gallons of water brought into the city annually
"by the high service water main is 740,000,000."

NOW WHEREAS the high service district was ninety percent metered before the explosion and is now estimated to be from seventy per cent. to eighty per cent. metered and there are no large individual unmetered;

AND WHEREAS after allowing for the unmetered services an estimated increase of thirty three per cent of the total amount charged for and after further allowing for street sprinkling and other municipal purposes an estimated amount of ten per cent of the total amount charged for there remains out of the total quantity of water brought into the city by the high service main a huge discrepancy in excess of 400,000,000 gallons of water unaccounted for which is more than 1,000,000 gallons per day and more than half the total available supply of Spruce Hill lake from which it is evident there is extensive underground leakage in the high service water mains;

AND WHEREAS it is reasonable to assume that something like the same proportionate loss of water by underground leakage will be found to exist in the low service mains; for instance during the partial examination of the mains of the low service which was commenced by New York experts in 1917 one leak of 500,000 gallons daily, due to a broken main, was discovered at the dockyard;

AND WHEREAS in the opinion of this meeting the installation of meters has not checked nor can it check this great underground waste of water;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED in the opinion of this mass meeting the time has arrived to demand that positive steps be taken to check the underground waste of water and that experts be immediately employed to locate and indicate the remedy for the leaks in the water mains of the city and it is ordered that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Mayor and Members of the City Council, the President of the Board of Trade and the respective presidents of the Progressive Commercial and Rotary Clubs and Trades and Labour Council requesting the earnest co-operation of their societies in the support of definite action to improve the City water supply without unnecessary delay;

Moved by W.S. Munnis, seconded by Edward Clayton and passed unanimously.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Whitman that the same be referred to the Committee on Works. Motion passed.

COAL WEIGHING.

Read report Coal Weighers for the month of November, 1920.

*Mayor
Engineer
Club & works*

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Report from John Cummins Acting Supervisor of Coal Weighers (By authority of the Mayor) for the month of November 1920.

Amount of Weighing fees for the month of November 1920.

The sum of Two thousand and thirty dollars and thirty three cents.....\$2030.33

Expenses	\$1.10	
<u>Cash paid Supernumeries</u>		
J.C. Morrison	65.00	
J.P. DuBlay	57.50	
Jas. Coughlan	30.00	
W. James	47.05	
J.F. McDonald Supernumerary 11 days.	27.50	
J.F. McDonald Permanent weigher 15 days	98.30	326.45
		<u>\$1703.88</u>

The above balance divided among 10 permanent weighers gives each the sum of one hundred and seventy dollars and thirty nine cents (\$170.39).

170.39	Dennis J. Sampson
170.39	P. Leahy
170.39	John F. Selig
170.39	Robt. P. Burns
170.39	D. McDonald
170.39	Wm. Wood
170.39	C.S. Davison
170.39	D.J. Sullivan
170.39	A.H. Gullymore
170.39	John Cummins.

Acting Supervisor of Coal Weighers.

Filed.

CITY, COUNTY AND DARTMOUTH JOINT EXPENDITURE.

Read report County Clerk Archibald re agreement Arbitration Committee for one year in respect to joint expenditures as between the City of Halifax, the Town of Dartmouth and the County of Halifax.

Halifax, N.S. Dec. 31st, 1920

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,
C i t y.

Dear Sir:-

A joint meeting of the Arbitration Committee of the City of Halifax, Town of Dartmouth and Municipality of the County of Halifax was held on November 26th, 1920 at 11 o'clock a.m., at the County Court House, Halifax.

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Present, City of Halifax, His Worship Mayor Parker, Deputy Mayor Regan, Aldermen Finlay, Gough and Buckley, Recorder Bell and City Clerk Monaghan. Town of Dartmouth; Councillor Hyde and Town Clerk Elliott.

Municipality of Halifax; Warden Madill, Councillors C.E. Smith, Brenton and Higgins and Municipal Clerk Archibald.

His Worship Mayor Parker in the chair.

After considerable discussion it was moved by Alderman Gough seconded by Councillor Smith, that proportions of joint estimates be the same for year 1921 as for the last five years. Passed, Aldermen Regan and Buckley dissenting.

Parker Archibald,
Municipal Clerk.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Mason that the letter be referred to the Committee on Finance for report. Motion passed.

TRAMWAY FARES COMMISSION.

Read letter Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Co. Ltd., re the appointment by them of T. Sherman Rogers, K.C. as a Commissioner re Tramway Fares under Sec. 3 of Chapter 203 of the Acts of 1920.

Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. Ltd
Halifax, N.S. December 31st, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

This is to advise you that Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Company, Limited has appointed Mr. T. Sherman Rogers, K.C., as its representative on the Commission to investigate the Tramway fare situation. That is in accordance with recent Act passed by the House of Assembly.

W. L. Weston,
Manager.

The City Clerk reported that he had been informed over the telephone by A.S. Barnstead, Deputy Provincial Secretary that the Honorable the Chief Justice has named Alex. K. Campbell, K.C. of Truro as the third member of the Commission.

The letter is ordered filed.

*also written
and City Clerk.*

Mayor

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TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read report H. E. Gates, Architect for the Tuberculosis Hospital now under construction on the City Home Grounds as follows:-

149 Hollis Street,
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 30th, 1920.

The Chairman,
Committee, Tuberculosis Hospital.
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I have the honour to report to your Committee, and to the City Council, on the progress of work on the New Tuberculosis Hospital.

The external brick walls are now up to a height somewhat above the level of the second floor.

All the stud partitions in basement and first storey are up, as well as some on the second floor.

Although the work was held up, in its early stage, principally through the scarcity of bricklayers, plenty men are now available, and every effort is being made to carry on the construction in an expeditious and satisfactory manner, in spite of the cold weather.

H.E. Gates,
Architect.

Filed.

CITY HEALTH OFFICER.

Read letter Progressive Club re the appointment of a Medical Health Officer.

Halifax, N.S.
December 16th, 1920.

Mayor Parker,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

I have been instructed by the Progressive Club to write you re the appointment of the City Health Officer. We as a club feel that an office of this kind should be established, and we would be very much obliged if you would give us some information as to what steps are being taken in this line.

E.A. Murray,
Secretary.

Moved by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Murphy that the Progressive Club be informed why Dr. Edgar Douglas is not performing the duties of the Office of Medical Health Officer to which he was appointed. Motion passed.

E.A. Murray

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WINTER WORK FOR LABOR.

Read resolution Independent Labor Party urging the City to proceed with public works during the winter season in order to provide work for labor.

Halifax, N.S. Dec. 23rd, 1920.

To the Mayor,
and City Council.
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sirs:-

At the weekly meeting of the Labor party Tuesday, December 21st, after a lengthy discussion of the situation of the unemployed the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS at the present time, and in the immediate future the unemployed situation in the City of Halifax is serious, with no signs of immediate relief from the ordinary channels of industry, we, the Halifax Branch of the Independent Labor Party, now in session, do hereby invite the attention of the governments of Canada and Nova Scotia, and the City Council of the City of Halifax, to the fact that certain work, which can be performed in winter as well as in summer, without additional cost, is at present dormant;

BE IT RESOLVED that we petition the aforementioned government and the City Council of Halifax, to open up immediately any work possible in order to temporarily relieve the stagnant industrial situation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of the resolution be forwarded to the Premier of the Dominion of Canada, the Premier of Nova Scotia, and the Mayor and City Council of Halifax, as well as to the Citizen and the Daily papers of the City of Halifax.

Hugh Pynn,
Secretary Halifax County Branch
Independent Labor Party.
54 Argyle Street.

At His Worship's request the letter is referred to the Mayor.

HEAD TAX OF \$10.00

Moved by Alderman Hubley seconded by Alderman Murphy that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft and submit an Act providing for a head tax of \$10.00 and making the employer of labor responsible for the payment of such tax.

*Mayor
Hugh Pynn*

January 6th, 1921.

*also Power
and Clerk*

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Bissett that this matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Amendment passed.

WATER SERVICE QUESTIONS.

Read the following questions submitted by Alderman Buckley re the City Water Service.

Halifax, November 17th, 1920.

Will the Engineer kindly furnish the following information:

1. Total amount of water entering the high service at the lakes during six months, March to September.
2. Total amount paid for by meter on the high service.
3. Total number of service pipes on the high service and percentage of same that are metered.
4. In addition to quantity of water paid for by meter what is the estimated amount drawn from the high service used at fires, for street sprinkling, etc.
5. What proportion of the low service is at present metered.
6. The approximate total number of gallons of water now brought into the City annually, high and low service combined.
7. Number of water meters now installed in Halifax and number under order or in hand to be installed.
8. Number of service pipes in the City.
9. Approximate total amount of money invested in water meters, including original cost and cost of installation and including those in hand or under order.
10. How much money has been invested in water meters this year including cost of installation and meters on hand or under order.
11. How many persons are now employed in the City in connection with water meters either inspecting, repairing or reading meters, or as meter foreman or in any other capacity in connection with meters. What is their combined remuneration.

Engineer

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Whitman that the questions be referred to the Committee on Works for report in connection with its report on the resolution submitted by Alderman Regan at meeting

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January 4th inst. Motion passed.

STREET PAVING CONTRACT.

Read by title reports City Solicitor and City Engineer re notice of action by the Canadian Bituminous Paving against the City for the sum of \$97,682.00 for damages in respect to contract for paving of Streets.

Office of City Solicitor,
Halifax, N.S. Jan. 6th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:- RE PAVING CONTRACT.

I have carefully considered the contract with the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation Limited, and the notice of action from that Company, and discussed the matter at length with the Engineer and Assistant Engineer and now beg to report on the liability of the City.

The contract of 2nd of August, 1919 was one within the legal authority of the City and the funds requisite had been provided by legislation. The contract was duly authorized by the Council and regularly entered into. There can be no doubt of its being a contract binding on the City.

When a contract regularly entered into, is broken by one party, the other is entitled to damages for the breach. That the contract was broken by the City, is, I think, beyond dispute. I agree with Mr. Doane that the formal resolutions of September 13th and December 16th stopping the work and directing a re-advertisement for tenders, clearly constituted such a breach. Apart from this, as I understand the facts, the Company would probably have been able to prove a breach in consequence of the delays and hindrances not of their own making, encountered by it in endeavouring to carry out the contract.

It has been suggested that the fact that the failure of the Tram Company to do its part of the paving program, is in some way a defence for the City's breach of contract. I am unable to see in what way this can be. The paving Company assumed no risk or liability on behalf of the Tram Company, and I do not see any legal principle which enables the City to throw upon its contractor, any loss occasioned by another company's failure to carry out its statutory obligation.

I am consequently of opinion that the City is liable for damages for its breach of contract. Of course those damages are not necessarily those claimed in the notice of action, many of which appear to me of a very questionable nature. These, however, would have to be discussed in detail, the time for doing which has not yet arrived.

I have been asked to make a report on the further question of the right of the City to an indemnity from the Tram Company, arising out of the fact that its

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failure to perform its part, was the cause of the City's breach of contract. Such a claim is at common law an extremely difficult and doubtful one. The claim of the City under section 965 of the City Charter giving an indemnity for any loss occasioned by the omission by any person to perform any act required by the legislature, seems prime facie to be stronger than a claim merely at common law. Such a claim in both aspects will need to be carefully considered at a future date. In the meantime, I think it advisable to serve the Tram Company with a notice that such a claim will be made, and to allow it to be represented in the defence of the action, so as to give it every opportunity of protecting its right and reducing any damages which it may ultimately be called upon to pay.

In view of the magnitude of the sum involved and the many troublesome and difficult questions that may arise, I think I should have the assistance of other counsel. It is quite possible that the mind of another man, not affected by the long-drawn-out negotiations which have taken place in this matter, would see things in a different aspect from that in which it presents itself to me.

F. H. Bell,
CITY SOLICITOR.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Jan. 4th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

In compliance with the resolution of the City Council I beg to report on the notice of action sent to the Council on behalf of the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation.

I have discussed the matter carefully in conference with the City Solicitor and Mr. Johnston. The City Solicitor states that the first question to be decided in such a case, is whether the City is guilty of breach of contract. In the verbal discussion, the Solicitor has informed us that the resolutions of Council of September 13th stopping the work and December 16th deciding to re-advertise the work, clearly constitute a breach of contract. If the City Solicitor's written opinion confirms this, then I feel bound to report frankly to the Council that I can see no way in which the Engineering Department can controvert the claims of the Paving Company.

It may be, however, that when the Paving Company submit detailed figures of their claims for loss and damage, we may be able to break them down to some extent; otherwise, I cannot report that the situation of the City is encouraging or attractive.

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There is one point on which the Engineering Department will be expected by the Council to declare itself, namely the question of default on time. It is the opinion of Mr. Johnston and myself that if the Paving Company had not been prevented from carrying out the schedule of paving which was laid down for them by the City Engineers in March 1920, they could have completed their contract within one hundred and fifty working days.

F.W.W. Deane,
CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the reports be not read in open Council.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that the reports be filed and copies forwarded to each member of the City Council.

Amendment put and passed.

ORDINANCE RE PERMITS FOR BREAKING SOIL IN STREETS.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Whitman that an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance number Four "Of Streets" read a first time and a second time on December 16th, 1920 be now read a third time in Council. Motion passed.

Read a third time an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to amend Ordinance Number Four "Of Streets".

An Ordinance to Amend Ordinance Number Four "Of Streets".

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

Section 1 of Ordinance number 4 of the City of Halifax entitled "Of Streets" is hereby amended by striking out the word "five" in the third line thereof and substituting therefor the word "ten".

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Whitman that said Ordinance having been read a third time in Council be now adopted and forwarded to the Governor in Council for approval. Motion passed.

Members ✓
Council

Letter ✓
Hon ✓
Munro ✓
Engineer ✓

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. July 2nd, 1920.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 30th day of June the City Engineer submitted the attached report on application of Nova Scotia Power Commission in re site for hydro-electric station at North West Arm, and recommended that a lease be granted of sufficient land for the purpose on property owned by the City at junction of Quinpool and Chebucto Roads.

On motion lease for ninety nine years at an annual rental of five dollars (\$5.00) was approved and recommended to Council for adoption, subject to a favorable report from the City Solicitor that under existing legislation the City can claim the right to enter into a contract with the Nova Scotia Power Commission to purchase all electric power delivered at said station and are not restricted as to the manner of reselling same or utilizing it as the City sees fit.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER

Committee on Works

Read reports City Engineer, City Solicitor and
City Electrician and letters Board of Trade and Nova
Scotia Power Commission re Hydro Electric Power.

Nova Scotia Power Commission,
Halifax, N.S. June 14th, 1920.

F.W.W. Doane, Esq.,
City Engineer,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

In further reference to conversations with you in regard to the location of a receiving station in Halifax for the Margarets Bay power development, the Commission finds that the site which you have suggested on city property at the corner of Quinpool Road and Chebucto Road will suit this purpose admirably.

The Commission has therefore prepared plans for a receiving station which will not only serve the practical purpose for which it is intended but architecturally will be a credit to this locality, the building consisting of reinforced concrete and brick with cut-stone trimmings. A contract has been let to build this receiving station and it is desired to undertake construction at the earliest possible date.

I am authorized to intimate that the Commission is quite ready and prepared to discuss with the city such terms for the use of the property for the above purposes as may be mutually agreed upon.

The Commission is requiring of its contractors that this receiving station be completed this year as its completion is essential before power can be delivered in Halifax from the Margarets Bay development.

K.H. Smith,
Chief Engineer.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. June 25th, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached communication from the Chief Engineer of the Nova Scotia Power Commission in reference to a site for a receiving station for the Nova Scotia Power Commission, from which power delivered by the City, will be distributed.

The proposed location is on the City property at the junction of Quinpool and Chebucto Road. The Commission is prepared to buy, lease or expropriate. While no definite plans have been made for the disposal of the power after it is received in the City, I think it would be in the interest of the City generally, to lease to the Commission for a long term of years, the site that they require. No more suitable site could

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be obtained, as their transmission line must come in the Margaret Bay Road at the head of the Arm, and distribution of the electric current from there, will be north, south and east to any part of the City where it is to be used.

I would recommend that a lease be granted to the Company, of sufficient land from the property named, to enable them to erect their receiving station and give them such additional accommodation around it, as may be necessary.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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Office of City Solicitor,
Halifax, N.S. July 2nd, 1920.

His Worship the Mayor,
Chairman Committee on Works.
Re Hydro Electric.

Dear Sir:-

I understand that my opinion is required in connection with the proposed lease or deed of a portion of the City land at the North West Arm to the Provincial Government for a substation, on the question whether or not the City in taking electric energy from the Water Powers Commission is restricted to taking what is sufficient for the City's own purposes or whether it is open to the City under the existing legislation to take the whole supply of power, use what it requires for its own purposes and dispose of the remainder. This question involves consideration of the different enactments relating to the City's powers.

The City Charter authorizes the City in general terms to light its own streets and pay the cost of so doing out of the general revenue, and under the Charter the City has no power to engage in a business of private lighting. In 1896 Chapter 27, Section 55 the City was authorized to acquire lands and buildings for the purpose of lighting its public buildings and streets. This enactment again gives no right to engage in private lighting. No further change in the law was made until the Act of 1919 for the development of electric energy Chapter 6 of the Acts of that year, which established the Nova Scotia Power Commission. The second part of that Act deals with the supply of power to municipalities, including cities. Apparently the draftsman of the Act was under the impression that municipalities possessed the power to engage in private lighting, for the Act seems to proceed upon an assumption that that is the case. It probably was copied largely from an Ontario Act without consideration of the circumstance that the municipalities of that Province may have larger powers than the cities of this Province. Subsection 1 of Section 30 provides that

"The Council of any Municipality may apply to the Commission for the transmission and supply to the Municipality of electrical power or energy for the use of the Municipality for lighting, heating and power purposes".*

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This Section, although acting on the assumption that I have already mentioned, clearly does not confer any power on the City to sell or any way deal in electrical energy. Subsection 6 of the same Section is as follows:-

"A Municipality which has entered into a contract with the Commission under this Act may from time to time, with the approval of the Commission, contract with any other Municipality or with any person for the supply of distribution of electrical power or energy, in any other Municipality, and such other Municipality shall have authority to enter into the contract; but a Municipality shall not exercise the power conferred by this section in another Municipality without the consent of the Council thereof".

This authorizes a municipality to enter into a contract for the supply of electricity with another municipality or with a person in another municipality, apparently again proceeding on the assumption that it could of course contract with its own citizens, and therefore not expressly conferring any power in that respect.

Under these circumstances I can only come to the conclusion that the City does not at present possess the power required to engage in the sale of electricity. At the same time, if I am correct in my assumption that the legislature supposed that power to exist, there should be little or no difficulty in obtaining an enactment requisite for that purpose, and that the City might without much risk for the present proceed upon the assumption that such an enactment can be obtained.

F.H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

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City Electrician's Office,
Halifax, N.S.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

With reference to the discussion of the Hydro Power proposition at the recent informal meeting of the City Council, I am at your request attempting to make clear some of the points raised at that time, in order that the situation may be better understood.

The Hydro Commission propose to deliver at the Armdale Substation a total of 20,000,000 K.W.H. per year, with a possible increase under favorable load factor conditions of 3,000,000 making a total of 23,000,000 K.W.H., delivered on a load factor of 40%.

The proposition is to take care of a maximum demand of 6,600 K.W.H, or approximately 8,800 H.P.

The "Load factor" is the relation of the maximum demand to the average use; thus, if a consumer required 100 H.P. at certain parts of the day of year, and the average consumption of energy taken through the year was only 25 H.P., the load factor would be 25%, and the consumer could not expect a favorable

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rate, because of the relative high cost of maintaining plant to meet the maximum demand that would not be producing revenue a large part of the time. Hence a low load factor consumer such as an average householder must pay a comparatively high rate for energy consumed, and this applies with even greater force in Hydro Electric energy than to that generated by Steam because of the relatively higher first cost of plant equipment.

One authority states the case as follows:- If a given consumer used his load 12 hours per day at a rate of 4.6¢ per K.W.H. an equitable charge for the same load used but one hour per day would be 25¢ per K.W.H."

"Diversity Factor" Due to the fact that all consumers do not simultaneously require energy sufficient for their maximum demand, but have a diversity of demand, the total capacity of a generating plant can be, and usually is considerably less than the connected load, and this to a limited extent offsets the effect of a low individual load factor.

"Power Factor" This factor is difficult to explain except to those familiar with alternating current phenomena. Its effects however are due to the use of inductive apparatus, such as induction motors on alternating circuits, and while it does not effect the capacity of the prime mover whether steam engine, or water wheel, it has a very material effect on generator capacity and regulation. For example, take a motor load of 100 H.P. with a power factor of 80% which would be high for average power load. The steam engine or water wheel of equal capacity would be sufficient while the capacity of the generator and lines would need to be 125 H.P. In practice this loss is to a considerable extent counteracted by the use of Synchronous motors especially where large units can be employed as in the case of transforming energy from alternating to direct current for street railway operation. The Power Commission propose, I am informed, to limit this loss to 10%, in other words the Power factor must be maintained at an average of 90%. This condition can be obtained only by having a large proportion of the load noninductive, such as lighting, or Synchronous motors, otherwise an additional loss will have to be reckoned with, in comparing the percentage of energy available for sale to the total amount contracted for, under conditions given.

The engineers of the Hydro Commission claim to have an additional 10,000,000 that can be made available in a short time if required, by using part of the water (which, under the present arrangement goes to the lower power house only), through the upper power house. This would make a total of 33,000,000 K.W.H. available at the Armdale Substation under above named Load and Power Factor conditions.

There appears to be five proposals suggested for the consideration of the City Council.

1st. The taking over of the whole power, and distributing the same to power users.

2nd. Upon this scheme my report was based suggesting the probability that the available power users

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would only take care of approximately one-third of the net available supply.

2nd. The taking over of the whole power, using enough to light the streets and disposing of the balance to the N.S. Tramways & Power Co.

3rd. The same as the 1st proposition, but supplying both light and power.

4th. To take over the whole Power and transfer the same to the Tram Co. Under contract with re sale conditions fixed and a favorable street lighting contract.

5th. The suggestion that the Hydro Commission deal directly with the Tram Co. with respect to the whole power.

P.R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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Board of Trade,
Halifax, N.S. Dec. 9th, 1920.

His Worship Mayor Parker,
and Members of the City Council.
City Hall,
City.

Gentlemen:-

The following is a copy of resolution passed a meeting of the Council of this Board on Tuesday afternoon last:-

"Whereas the Nova Scotia Power Commission has advised this Board they anticipate delivering electric power from the St. Margaret's Bay power plant to their station at the head of the North West Arm by July, 1921, therefore, arrangements for the sale and distribution of this power to the consumers of the City of Halifax must be made immediately.

Resolved that the opinion of this Board is,

(1) That the City of Halifax should purchase all the power so delivered.

(2) That in view of the condition of the financial market and the present high cost of materials, the City should not undertake the distribution of this power to consumers, but should make arrangements with the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Co. Ltd., for the distribution of this power over a period of years, safeguarding the rights of the citizens and consumers in making such arrangements".

In submitting the above resolution, I have been desired to state that the matter of furnishing this City with hydro-electric power has been a live subject with this Board for some years, during which time we have urged the developing of the water powers for the purpose of giving cheaper electric energy to this City, and now that it is assured, the Council

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of the Board of Trade is desirous of assisting your honourable body in every way, in connection with the matter, A small Committee on the Board has been in touch with the Water Powers Commission and Government for sometime, and watched the development of the power with keen interest, and believing that the above resolution covers the only practical way of distributing the power, we trust same will meet with your favourable consideration.

F. A. Saunders,
SECRETARY.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that this matter be referred to the City Solicitor and City Engineer to draft a lease of a portion of the City Property at the North West Arm to the Nova Scotia Power Commission required by them for an electric power distribution station for a period of years.

10.45 o'clock. Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Regan that the Council adjourn. Motion put and lost 5 voting for the same and 7 against as follows:-

For adjournment:- Aldermen Whitman, Regan, Murphy, Scanlon, Mason - 5.

Against:- Aldermen Ackhurst, Hoyt, Cameron, Buckley Ritchie, Hubley, Gough - 7.

WASTE OF WATER AT RATE OF 200,000 GALLONS DAILY.

Alderman Ackhurst asked if His Worship the Mayor had a report from the Committee on Works in reply to the statement made by Alderman Regan at Council meeting on the 4th inst., that on that day a leak existed in the City Water Supply in the district between Artz Street and North Street through which 200,000 gallons of water was being wasted daily.

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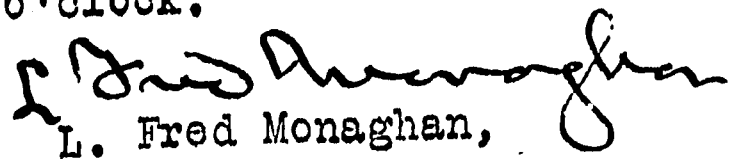
His Worship the Mayor stated that the Water Department staff were investigating the matter but had been unable to discover any such waste and that a report would be made at a future meeting.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Scanlon that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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Council adjourns 10.55 o'clock.


L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J. S. Parker,

MAYOR.

EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL.

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A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship Mayor Parker and Aldermen Whitman, Hoyt, Bissett, Kelly, Ackhurst, Cameron, Scanlon, Power and Mason.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Hoyt that the time for meeting be extended until a quorum is present or until 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.15 o'clock roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Colwell, Finlay, Regan, Murphy, Buckley, Ritchie, Gough, Godwin, Hubley.

The Council was summoned to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

(For the purpose of ready reference the list of papers submitted and the list of other headlines are all incorporated in one schedule at the end of the meeting).

SAFE FOR CITY TREASURER.

Alderman Hoyt asked permission of the Council to bring up the matter of the providing of a safe for the City Treasurer, which being granted Alderman Hoyt asked if the Special Committee on Vaults and Safes for the City Hall was ready to submit a report.

Alderman Whitman, Chairman of the Special Committee verbally reported progress.

Moved by Alderman Hoyt seconded by Alderman Ackhurst that the City Engineer be authorized to

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purchase a safe for the City Treasurer's Office.

The motion is put and lost 3 voting for the same and 13 against it as follows:-

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For the Motion:- Aldermen Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt.- 3

Against it:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley, Gough - 13.

STREET PAVING CONTRACTOR'S BOND.

Read reports Committee on Works and Assistant City Engineer re Street Paving contractor's bond covering copy of agreement between the City and the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation Limited in respect to security for the maintenance of the pavement for a period of five years.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. January 13th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day, the attached report of the City Engineer, and draft of agreement in respect to maintenance bond was read and approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
January 13th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith for approval, maintenance bond from the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation Limited, for the maintenance of the pavement constructed by them under their contract. The bond has been approved of by the City Solicitor.

H. W. Johnston,
Assistant City Engineer.

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Engineer
Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the same be approved. Motion passed.

OXFORD STREET SIDEWALK.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Oxford Street Sidewalk.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. January 13th 1921

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the attached report of the City Engineer recommending concrete sidewalk be laid on the west side of Oxford Street between Coburg Road and Jubilee Road, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S.
January 12th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying petition asking for the construction of a concrete sidewalk on the west side of Oxford Street between Jubilee Road and Coburg Road.

This street has very little grade and it is difficult to keep it in good condition owing to the difficulty in getting water to run to the corners. It can never be very satisfactory until a sidewalk, curb and gutter is constructed.

I would recommend that a concrete sidewalk with concrete curb and gutter be constructed on the west side of Oxford Street from Coburg Road to Jubilee Road under the Permanent Sidewalk Act. Estimated cost \$8455.00.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Engineer
Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

WATER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNTS.

Read report Committee on Works recommending final payment on contract for valves for the Water Department.

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Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. January 13th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day final payment to T. McAvity & Sons, Limited St. John, N.B. per City Engineer's certificate for balance due them on Valves per contract, amounting to the sum of \$3,266.35 was approved and recommended to Council for payment.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the report be adopted and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

WINTER WORK.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Winter Work.

Office of Clerk of Works,
January 13th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held this day the attached report of the City Engineer was approved and it was recommended that Council be asked to adopt the same and arrange for the borrowing of the sums mentioned therein in order that the work proposed could be arranged for without unnecessary delay.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
Halifax, N.S. Jan.13th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

In compliance with the instructions of your Board, I have made an estimate of the amount that we will probably be able to spend on Sewer and Water Work if we begin new work now to give employment to men out of work.

Four contracts could be let for work which has been ordered by the Council already. The construction of the sewer along the Arm from Jubilee Road to Chebucto Road is an urgent necessity, and it was proposed to

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undertake this work in the coming year, provided the appropriation was available. If we could advertise this work for tenders at once, it would give us an accurate estimate of the appropriation required, and it would also add to the available work, making it possible for us to employ more men than we could without it.

There is no good reason for waiting until a later date to make a contract for this work, except that the appropriation for it is not authorized. If we could get a credit of \$40,000 in Sewers Account and \$15,000 in Water Account, we should be able to make contracts for all the work mentioned, with very little delay.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that said reports be adopted and referred to the Finance Committee for an early report. Motion passed.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read report Finance Committee recommending progress payments on account construction of Tuberculosis Hospital Rhodes, Curry Limited certificate No. 4 \$5,000.00 and H.E. Gates, Architect \$125.00.

Committee Room, City Hall,
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To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached certificate of H.E. Gates, Esq., recommending the fourth progress payment Five thousand Dollars to Messrs. Rhodes Curry Co. Ltd. on account of their contract for the erection of the New Tuberculosis Hospital was read and recommended to the City Council for payment. Also the account of H.E. Gates for \$125.00 for supervision of said work being 2 1/2 per cent on fourth progress certificate issued to contractor.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted and the accounts

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Engineer
Ald Whitman
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paid. Motion passed.

GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payments accounts chargeable to various services.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 12th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the following named accounts amounting to \$2,837.62 were examined found correct and recommended for payment. Aldermen Murphy and Kelly dissenting from the item of \$810.00 in T.C. Allen's accounts for printing Annual Report 1918-19.

London Rubber Stamp Co.	Repair Dater	12.90
Office Specialty Co.	Desk Trays	12.24
K.M. Power	Copy evidence	44.00
L.B. Taylor	" "	13.50
United Typewriter Co.	Ribbon	1.00
Acadian Recorder	Sub. for 1920	5.00
" "	Advertising 2.10	
	2.80	
	<u>12.60</u>	17.50
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising 12.60	
	<u>5.60</u>	18.20
Herald Pub. Co.	Advertising	15.12
Dr. W.D. Finn M.E.	Certificates of Death James Sutherland 4.00, Thos. C. Rice, 4.00, Fred'k L. Clarke 4.00, Walter Allsop 4.00, Edw'd Freda 4.00, Annie Shannon 4.00	24.00
A & W. MacKinlay	Books etc. City Collector	30.90 <u>39.67</u> 70.58
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery etc. Mayor's Office 1.84 City Collector 18.03 " Assessor 87.05 " Clerk <u>873.63</u>	980.55
Religious of the Good Shepherd	Maintenance of Girls to Dec. 31st 1920	93.75
E.H. Blais Supt.	Maintenance of Neg- lected & Delinquent Children 3 mos. to Dec. 31st, 1920	1536.86 <u>4.42</u>
C.P. R. Telegraph		\$2837.62

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

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Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

LOAN \$30,000.00 BEING EXCESS REQUIRED TO
PRODUCE LOAN

Read report Finance Committee recommending the passing of a Special resolution for the borrowing of \$30,000.00 being the difference between the amount specified in the legislation authorizing the loan and the actual amount necessary to be borrowed to yield the amounts required totalling \$525,000.00

Committee Room, City Hall,
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To the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Finance at a meeting held this day considered the request of Malone, Malone and Long Toronto, Soliditors for Wood Gundy & Co., Toronto the purchaser of \$250,000 of our recent loan in reference to the passing of a special resolution for the borrowing of the difference (viz \$30,000.00) between the amount specified in the legislation authorizing the loan and the actual amount necessary to be borrowed to yield the amounts required.

In compliance with that request your Committee submit the attached resolution and recommend its adoption by the City Council.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has been authorized by the Provincial Legislature of Nova Scotia under Chapter 82, Acts 1919 to borrow the sum of \$50,000 for Sewer Construction and \$25,000 for water extensions and under Chapter 87 Acts 1920 the sum of \$250,000 for Sewer Construction and \$200,000 for

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Water Extensions and the City has resolved to issue its stock or debentures, bearing six per cent interest, redeemable in ten years.

AND WHEREAS at the best price obtainable therefor the said debentures have failed to produce the amount so authorized to be borrowed and it is necessary to issue under the authority of Section 345 of the City Charter further debentures to the par value of \$30,000 in order to produce the amounts above authorized to be borrowed and the necessary expenses of the loan under Chapter 72 Acts 1908.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purpose aforesaid and under the authorities hereinbefore recited there shall be borrowed on the credit of the City at large and as part of the Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905 the additional sum of \$30,000 and stock or debentures shall be issued therefor dated as of the 1st day of January 1921, bearing interest from the said 1st day of January 1921 at the rate of 6% per annum payable half yearly on the first day of January and July in each year. The said stock or debentures shall be payable in ten years from the date thereof.

The said debentures shall be in the form set out in the Halifax Consolidated Fund Act 1905, Chapter 51 and shall be sealed with the corporate seal of the City and shall be signed by the Mayor and Treasurer of the said City and countersigned by the Clerk of the said City. The interest coupons shall be signed by the Mayor and City Treasurer and their signature thereon may be printed, stamped, lithographed or engraved. The said debentures as to both principal and interest shall be payable at the option of the holder at the Royal Bank of Canada in Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg or Vancouver.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed unanimously seventeen Aldermen being present and voting for the same viz:-

For the resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 17.

LOAN \$312,000 FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

Read report Finance Committee recommending the borrowing of \$312,000. for various purposes.

Committee Room, City Hall,
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To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held

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this day the following statement prepared by the City Treasurer of the several amounts required to be borrowed to finance the various services of the City for the balance of the current civic year was submitted viz:

Tuberculosis Hospital	\$150,000.00	under	Chap. 82	Acts	1919.
Fire Alarm Quarters	4,000.00	"	"	87	" 1920.
Street Widening	5,000.00	"	"	77	" 1914.
Morris St. Extension	10,000.00	"	"	78	" 1914.
Pumping Station	25,000.00	"	"	38	" 1916.
School Buildings	<u>118,000.00</u>	"	Section 901 City Ch.		
	\$312,000.00				

Your Committee recommend that the City Treasurer be authorized to deliver upon the order of recognized bond brokers such stock or debentures of the City of Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905 duly issued as will yield the amount required at a minimum price of 98.16 of par value less a commission of 1 1/2% for the services in selling same in accordance with the resolutions attached.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed unanimously there being 17 Aldermen present and voting for the same as follows:-

For the resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphym Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 17.

The following resolution is submitted:-

Schools \$118,000.

WHEREAS an order in Council of the Provincial Government of Nova Scotia dated the 28th of October, A.D. 1919 under and by virtue of Section 901 of the City Charter directs and orders the City of Halifax to issue debentures or stock to raise the sum of \$817,559.50 as may be required for the erection of School Buildings.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purpose aforesaid the City of Halifax do borrow the sum of \$118,000 for School purposes at a minimum price of 98.16, term to be ten years, rate of interest 6% per annum payable half yearly and yielding to the investor 6 1/4 % interest.

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The date of the debentures or stock to be January 1st, 1921 and to be repayable on January 1st, 1931. Principal and interest to be payable in lawful money of Canada at the office of the City Treasurer at Halifax and at the agencies of the Royal Bank of Canada at Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby empowered to deliver upon the orders of recognized Brokers such debentures or stock of the City of Halifax duly issued to yield the amount required at the minimum price of 98.16 for the above 10 year school debentures or stock less one and one half per cent commission for their services in selling same.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed unanimously there being seventeen Aldermen present and voting for the same as follows:-

For the Resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 17.

The following resolution is submitted:-

Tuberculosis Hospital \$150,000.

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has, under Chapter 82, Acts 1919 of the Provincial Legislature of Nova Scotia, authority to borrow the sum of \$150,000 towards the construction of a Tuberculosis Hospital to be borrowed in such amounts and from time to time as the Council determines.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purpose aforesaid the City of Halifax do borrow the sum of \$150,000 at a minimum price of 98.16 for ten year debentures or stock bearing interest at the rate of 6% and yielding to the investor 6 1/4%.

The date of the debentures or stock to be January 1st, 1921 and to be repayable on January 1st, 1931. Principal and interest to be payable in lawful money of Canada at the Office of the City Treasurer at Halifax and at the agencies of the Royal Bank of Canada at Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby empowered to deliver upon the orders of recognized Brokers such debentures or stock of the City of Halifax duly issued to yield the amount required at the minimum price of 98.16 for the above named 10 year debentures or stock less one and one half per cent commission for their services in selling same.

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The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed unanimously there being seventeen Aldermen present and voting for the same as follows:-

For the Resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Seanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 17.

The following resolution is submitted:-

Widening Streets \$5,000 Morris Street Extension \$10,000.

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has, under Chapter 87 Acts 1914 of the Provincial Legislature of Nova Scotia, authority to borrow for the acquisition of land required from time to time for the widening of streets a sum not exceeding in any year \$5,000 and under same Chapter to pay for property required for the extension of Morris Street from Seymour Street to the property of Dalhousie College such sum as may be required.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purpose aforesaid the City of Halifax do borrow the sum of \$5,000 for Street Widening and \$10,000 to pay for (Moreash Property) Morris Street extension at a minimum price of 98.16 for ten year debentures or stock bearing interest at the rate of 6% and yielding to the investor 6 1/4%.

The date of the debentures or stock to be January 1st, 1921 and to be repayable on January 1st, 1931. Principal and interest to be payable in lawful money of Canada at the office of the City Treasurer at Halifax and at the agencies of the Royal Bank of Canada at Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby empowered to deliver upon the orders of recognized Brokers such debentures or stock of the City of Halifax duly issued to yield the amount required at the minimum price of 98.16 for the above named 10 year debentures or stock less one and one half per cent commission for their services in selling same.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed unanimously there being seventeen Alderman present and voting for the same as follows:-

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For the Resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 17.

The following resolution is submitted:-

Fire Alarm Quarters \$4,000.

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has, under Chapter 87 Acts 1920 of the Provincial Legislature of Nova Scotia, authority to borrow the sum of \$4,000. for Fire Alarm Quarters.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purpose aforesaid the City of Halifax do borrow the sum of Four thousand dollars at a minimum price of 98.16 for ten year debentures or stock bearing interest at the rate of 6% and yielding to the investor 6 1/4%.

The date of the debentures or stock to be January 1st, 1921 and to be repayable on January 1st, 1931 Principal and interest to be payable in lawful money of Canada at the office of the City Treasurer at Halifax and at the agencies of the Royal Bank of Canada at Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby empowered to deliver upon the orders of recognized Brokers such debentures or stock of the City of Halifax duly issued to yield the amount required at the minimum price of 98.16 for the above named 10 year debentures or stock less one and one half per cent commission for their services in selling same.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed unanimously there being seventeen Aldermen present and voting for the same as follows:-

For the Resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 17.

The following resolution is submitted:-

Pumping Plant \$25,000.

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has under Chapter 38 Acts 1916 of the Provincial Legislature of Nova Scotia, authority to borrow for the construction of a Pumping Plant in connection with the water service but not to be borrowed until the low water service

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has been equipped with meters to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and not exceeding \$25,000.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purpose aforesaid and after a satisfactory report from the City Engineer that the low water service has been equipped with meters the City of Halifax do borrow the sum of \$25,000 at a minimum price of 98.16 for ten year debentures or stock, bearing interest at the rate of 6% and yielding to the investor 6 1/4%.

The date of the debentures or stock to be January 1st, 1921 and to be repayable on January 1st, 1931. Principal and interest to be payable in lawful money of Canada at the office of the City Treasurer at Halifax and at the agencies of the Royal Bank of Canada at Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby empowered to deliver upon the orders of recognized Brokers such debentures or stock of the City of Halifax duly issued to yield the amount required at the minimum price of 98.16 for the above named 10 year debentures or stock less one and one half per cent commission for their services in selling same.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed unanimously there being seventeen Aldermen present and voting for the same as follows:-

For the resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 17.

The following resolution is submitted:- *£7 cc*
Excess Amount \$10,800. to yield ~~the amount~~ \$312,000

WHEREAS the City of Halifax has resolved to borrow under the authority of various sets of Provincial Legislature of Nova Scotia the sum of \$312,000 for the following purpose:

Tuberculosis Hospital	\$150,000.	Chapter 82	Acts 1919.
School Buildings	118,000.	Section 901	City Charter.
Fire Alarm Quarters	4,000.	Chapter 87	Acts 1920.
Street Widening	5,000.	" 77	Acts 1914.
Morris St. Extension	10,000.	" 77	" 1914.
Pumping Station	25,000.	" 38	" 1916.

AND WHEREAS at the price fixed for same 98.16 of par less Commission one and one half per cent it will require \$10,800. additional debentures or stock to yield the amount necessary including expenses of loan.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that under Section 345

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of the City Charter the City of Halifax do borrow the additional amount required at a minimum price of 98.16 for ten year debentures or stock bearing interest at the rate of 6% and yielding to the investor 6 1/4%.

The date of the debentures or stock to be January 1st, 1921 and to be repayable on January 1st, 1931. Principal and interest to be payable in lawful money of Canada at the office of the City Treasurer at Halifax and at the agencies of the Royal Bank of Canada at Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED that the City Treasurer be and is hereby empowered to deliver upon the orders of recognized Brokers such debentures or stock of the City of Halifax duly issued to yield the amount required at the minimum price of 98.16 for the above named 10 year debentures or stock less one and one half per cent commission for their services in selling same.

*Treasurer
8 copies under
city seal*

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed unanimously there being 17 Aldermen present and voting for the same as follows:-

For the Resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Bissett, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Gough - 17.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS LOAN ~~\$5,000.00~~ ^{\$500,000.00} *CT*

Alderman Whitman submits the following resolution:-

RESOLVED that this Council approve of the action of the Finance Committee in giving Messrs. J.M. Robertson & Son an option on the unsold portion of the 2nd loan for School Buildings amounting to \$137,000 at the rate of 92.85 less commission of 1 1/2%.

(see minutes of City Council April 16th, April 23rd, May 7th, May 20th, ^{and} May 27th, ~~and August 20th,~~ 1920).

Treasurer

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and being put is passed unanimously.

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BILL POSTERS LICENSE.

Read report Laws and Privileges Committee recommending the granting of a Bill Posters license to Melton Darrach.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 12th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

Your Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to recommend the granting of the application of Melton Darrach for a Bill Posters License to distribute advertising matter in the City.

John J. Power,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Power seconded by Alderman Gough that the report be adopted and the license granted. Motion passed.

WATER PIPE LINE RIGHT OF WAY RENTAL 38 YEARS.

Read report Finance Committee recommending payment of 38 years rental of right of way for water pipe line through property of St. James Church Property Armdale.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 12th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached minute of a meeting of the City Works Committee dealt with a letter of the Rector and Wardens of St. James Church, Armdale, covering a claim against the City for the privilege of carrying a pipe line across the church property for years 1883-1920 inclusive @ (1.25) 5 shillings per year \$47.50 was read.

Your Committee recommend that said account \$47.50 be paid on being certified correct by the City Solicitor and City Engineer.

Alfred Whitman,
CHAIRMAN.

*Dist. City
Clerk - ✓*

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City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.
December 30th, 1920.

Alderman Whitman,
Chairman, Finance Committee.

Dear Sir:-

At a meeting of the Works Committee held on the 29th inst., the enclosed letter and account from the Rector of St. James Church, Armdale, was submitted and on motion it was referred to the Finance Committee to deal with.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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Armdale P.O., Halifax,
December 25th, 1920.

To John S. Parker, Esquire,
Mayor of Halifax.
Your Worship:-

In accord with the tenor of my conversation with you and Mr. Bell I am sending you a bill from St. James' Church for the amount due us under the terms of the agreement made with the late Henry Cogswell in 1846. Our interest in the property dates from 1883. Mr. Bell spoke of interest. I have conferred with the wardens, and in consideration of having this matter settled at an early date we are willing to wave all claim to interest.

W. T. Forward.

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St. James' Church, Armdale
December 24th, 1920.

City of Halifax
to St. James' Church Dr.

For privilege of carrying pipe line across
property for years 1883-1920 inclusive @ \$1.25
(5 shillings) per year.....\$1.25 x 38..\$47.50

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman
Finlay that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Whitman seconded
by Alderman Hoyt that the report be referred back to
the Finance Committee for written reports on the

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matter from the City Engineer, City Solicitor and City Auditor.

Amendment put and passed.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee recommending for payment accounts \$2,349.48 for maintenance of patients in the Victoria General Hospital and also recommending for adoption a report by a Sub Committee in connection with the collection of amounts due the City by patients towards the cost of their maintenance (see minutes City Council December 16th 1920).

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 12th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached account of Victoria General Hospital \$2349.48 for maintenance of patients chargeable to the City for months of October and November 1920 was passed as correct and recommended for payment.

Your Committee further report that the matter of collecting the accounts due the City for maintenance of patients has been under consideration by a special Committee consisting of Aldermen Murphy, Kelly and Whitman. Their report is hereto attached and recommended to the City Council for adoption. Alderman Whitman dissenting.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

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Halifax, N.S. January 4th, 1921.

Members of Finance Committee.

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Gentlemen:-

Victoria General Hospital Accounts.

In compliance with your request, we have gone into the handling of accounts for patients treated at the Victoria General Hospital and charged to the City. Due to some misunderstanding as to what was required of the City Collector practically no effect has been made to have these accounts followed up.

The Superintendent of the City Home and his Assistant have by sending out some bills brought in a

Engineer
Solicitor
Auditor
and Whitman
and City Clerk

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sum of \$1602.00 which less 10% commission deducted by them for collection amounting to \$160.20 plus postage of \$9.00 left a net amount of \$1432.80. The amount for which the City is responsible to the Victoria General Hospital up to the present of this financial year is something over \$10,000.00. In view of the amount involved, it is absolutely essential that some definite steps be taken to have these accounts properly looked after.

It will be recalled that on a resolution of Council passed last year Messrs. Thomson and Beed, Collectors, of this City, were authorized to look after this matter, they to be paid 15% commission of all collections made. Due, however, to the situation which arise with respect to the City Collector's responsibility for the work they were never sworn in and, therefore, have done nothing on same.

Under present arrangement, no account is rendered the City for any patient chargeable to us until the patient is discharged from the Hospital. This does not seem a satisfactory way to handle these accounts. We would recommend that an effort be made to have monthly bills rendered us.

At the present time, the City's liability with this Institution is running to approximately \$15,000.00 per year a goodly portion of which should be collectable. We would respectfully suggest you consider the advisability of recommending to Council that collectors be employed on a commission basis, who would specially look after the collection of this and other accounts with Institutions of this nature with which the City is involved.

E. J. Kelly,
John Murphy,
Chairman Sub. Committee.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Kelly that the reports of the Finance Committee and its Sub Committee be adopted.

Alderman Whitman gives notice that at a future meeting of the City Council he will move that the resolutions passed City Council August 5th and November 17th relating to the appointment of John A. Beed and James R. Thomson as Collectors of Victoria General Hospital accounts be rescinded. (see index to printed minutes City Council 1919-20 also typewritten minutes City Council 1920-21 pages

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136,282,311,528,544,618).

Aldermen Murphy and Kelly are permitted to withdraw their verbal motion and a time is given them to prepare a resolution in writing, the Council in the meantime proceeding with other business. When the resolution was written it was presented by Alderman Murphy as follows:-

That His Worship be authorized to ask Superintendent Buchanan of City Home to continue to investigate the settlement of patients admitted to Victoria General Hospital and charged to City.

That the two Collectors previously appointed by Council Messrs Beed and Thomson be sworn in at once, The City Collector be informed of this temporary arrangement and Collectors instructed to pay over to City Collector promptly all collections made.

The resolution was moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Kelly and passed.

During the interim His Worship the Mayor was called to the telephone and Deputy Mayor Regan takes the chair.

EXPLOSION--CITY BORROWINGS FROM RELIEF COMMISSION.

Read report Finance Committee recommending the renewal of securities for borrowings from the Relief Commission totalling \$565,000.00.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 12th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the matter of the renewal of the collateral security deposited with the Halifax Relief Commission for loans (\$565,000) to the City and the due date of which was January 1st, 1921 was considered.

His Worship the Mayor said he had had a favorable conversation with the Chairman, T.S. Rogers, It was resolved to recommend the adoption of the attached resolution authorizing the issue of a new

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certificate for the same amount payable January 1st, 1922 to redeem the one now due.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the Halifax Relief Commission through its Chairman, T.S. Rogers, Esq., has intimated to His Worship Mayor Parker its willingness to extend the period of its present holdings in the City Consolidated Fund 1905 by accepting a substitute certificate for the same amount \$565,000 payable January 1st, 1922; that the Commission will now ask for payment of the accrued interest; and in the meantime all adjustments outstanding between the City and Commission may remain in abeyance; and that when a final settlement is made, interest will be payable only on the balance which may then be found payable as set forth in minutes of Council December 4th, 1919.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the offer of the Halifax Relief Commission be accepted and that the Mayor, City Treasurer and City clerk be and are hereby authorized to issue on behalf of the City a substitute certificate of the City of Halifax for the same amount \$565,000 to be dated January 1st, 1921 to cover a period of one year and to bear the same rate of interest six per cent for that which fell due January 1st, 1921.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed.

TRAMWAY FARES COMMISSION.

Read letter Roderick McColl re the expenses of recently appointed Commission on Tramway Fares under Chapter 203 Nova Scotia Acts 1920.

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Mr. L. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 4th inst., announcing my appointment to represent the City of Halifax as a member of the Commission authorized to be appointed by Chapter 203, Acts of Nova Scotia, 1920, to report to the City Council and Legislature of Nova Scotia on the first day of February 1922 as to whether the increased fares granted by this Act to the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Co. Ltd., shall be continued.

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I wish to thank the Council for the honour conferred and the confidence shown in me by this appointment.

I would point out that this increase in rates of two cents, amounting as it does to nearly a quarter of a million dollars annually to the citizens of Halifax, is a matter of very considerable importance and one which will require a great deal of thought and investigation on the part of the Commission.

As the representative appointed by the Company will have the assistance of expert advice of officials of the Company on which he can rely, but on which as a representative of the City I would not naturally expect would be entirely unbiased, a very large amount of time will have to be given by me and some expense incurred, outside of the actual sitting of the Commission, in obtaining data including probably a personal valuation of the track and other works of the Company and of conditions in other places and also possible the consultation with other Engineers or experts.

For the above reasons and as the Act makes no reference as to how the cost is to be met, I think it would be advisable that I should meet the Council or their representatives at as early a date as possible to discuss these matters with them.

I would, therefore, suggest that the Council arrange for such a meeting so that I can arrange my work for the coming year so as to obtain the best results for the City.

Rod. McColl.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Godwin that action on the matter be deferred pending a report from His Worship the Mayor. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read report Special Committee on Tuberculosis Hospital plans covering report from Architect H.E. Gates re progress of the construction of the Building.

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His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.

Sirs:
At a meeting of the Committee on Tuberculosis Hospital plans, held Monday, January 10th 1921 at 3 p.m. in the Committee Room, City Hall, to consider the questions asked by Council, arising from the report of H.E. Gatesm Architect, dated December 30th, 1920,

Mayor ✓
Council ✓

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the attached letter from Mr. Gates was read I was instructed to forward it to Council.

Mr. Gates assures your Committee that every precaution is being taken to protect the work from the weather and that he was doing his best to see that the work was satisfactorily executed.

It was further agreed that members of committee should visit the New Tuberculosis Hospital and personally see the work under construction and that Mr. Fagan, the Building Inspector for the City, be asked to accompany them.

R.D. Guildford,
Secretary.

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The Chairman,
Committee, Tuberculosis Hospital.
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir:-

With reference to the items appearing in the daily press (after the last meeting of the City Council) relating to the above named Building, I beg to say that when I stated, in my report of the 30th December, that "every effort was being made to carry on the construction in an expeditious and satisfactory manner, in spite of the cold weather", I meant to convey the fact that the bricks and sand were being heated and mortar mixed with hot water, and that the walls were kept covered to protect them from the weather.

As an extra precaution, no work has been done on very cold days and all concerned are doing their best to see that the work is satisfactorily executed.

I may say that this building is only one of a number of brick buildings where brickwork is going on at the present time.

H.E. Gates.

Filed.

COAL WEIGHING.

Read report Coal Weighers for the month of December showing the receipts for the month to have been \$1,559.27 netting each of the ten permanent weighers \$125.35. Filed.

DEFECTIVE AND DELINQUENT CLASSES--CARE OF

Read letter Hon. E.H. Armstrong, Minister of Public Works and Mines, Nova Scotia re

(a) The providing of an institution for the Feeble Minded.

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(b) The establishment of a better system for dealing with offenders against the law.

(c) The effecting of a more satisfactory arrangement for the care of the mentally deranged.

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The Mayor and Aldermen,
City of Halifax, N.S.
Gentlemen:-

During recent years frequent requests have been made to the Government, by different organizations as well as by different individuals to,

(a) Provide an Institution for the Feeble Minded.

(b) Establish a better system for dealing with offenders against the Law.

(c) Effect a more satisfactory arrangement for the care of the mentally deranged.

There is a close relationship between mental defect or disorder and crime, and the intimacy of the association together with the great sociologic and economic importance of proper care of the defective and delinquent classes, has been emphasized by careful studies made in various countries.

With these considerations in mind and in order to have the benefit of independent and expert advice, the Government invited the Canadian National Committee for Mental Hygiene to make a survey of the Province. Such a survey was made during the last summer and as a result, suggestions have been made to the Government for improved and more suitable plans for dealing with the above matters.

Those conducting the survey have, in their communications to the Government, so far of a confidential nature, very generally condemned the County Asylum System adopted in this Province as most unsuitable for the care of the unfortunate poor, the feeble minded and the mentally deranged. The statistics of the Province will show that fully 65 per cent of those now being kept with these County Institutions are subjects for which proper mental treatment should be provided. The County System has been abandoned elsewhere and the time has apparently arrived when steps should if possible be taken to abandon the system in this Province. The suggested remedy is, that now generally adopted with a large measure of satisfaction elsewhere. The adoption of such a new method or system would involve the erection of at least two new institutions so as to make provision for the accommodation of all the insane of the Province. A separate institution would probably be found necessary and advisable for the feeble minded. The survey above referred to also included the County Jails.

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The suggestion offered in connection with the phase of the inquiry, is abandonment of the present hail system and the creation of a central farm (for long term prisoners) and two industrial colonies (for short term prisoners). This latter suggestion is in line with those already urged upon the Government by a number of Municipalities who have declared their willingness to co-operate.

The Government has not yet been able to give such full consideration to this survey and these suggestions as it must, before so extensive a programme can be undertaken. Inasmuch however, as it is known that in some Counties, the construction of new asylums and goals, or the enlargement of present institutions of one or the other type is being contemplated. I feel that the municipal, City, and town councils should be requested to defer proceeding with such construction until a decision with respect to these recommendations has been reached.

The cost of maintaining the insane patients in County Asylum varies greatly in different counties. If patients from the different countries were to be congregated in Provincial Institutions a uniform maintenance rate would have to be made applicable to all sections of the Province. This would certainly be greater than that which now obtains in some of the County Asylums, although possibly less in others. The rate would of course be made as low as would be consistent with the standard of care which the committee for Mental Hygiene urges should be required. But the problem is one that cannot be successfully met without the fullest cooperation of the various municipalities. It is obvious the responsibility is one resting upon them and when the facts are fully made known, it is assumed with confidence that the responsibility will be generally and promptly accepted.

The maintenance of feeble minded persons in a Provincial Institution would necessarily become a charge upon the City, town or municipality, in which they had secured a settlement. A similar statement is obviously applicable to those who would be committed to the suggested prison farm or industrial colony. The programme thus briefly outlined has much to commend to the Government, but it is most necessary and desirable that in giving it further consideration the various municipalities be consulted and such will be the attitude of the Government. Necessarily it would involve a very considerable immediate expenditure. This expenditure with the aid of the Province could be accomplished upon reasonable terms and the cost so distributed as not to make the maintenance rate or the cost of maintenance burdensome. On the other hand, concentration in a limited number of institutions would doubtless reduce the average of overhead expense and allow a more favourable purchase of supplies. It may also be anticipated that suitable occupation will be found for a larger proportion of patients than are now being employed, which would not

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only tend to reduce the cost of maintenance, but also to benefit the patients. Ultimately too, and indirect economic saving as well as improved sociologic conditions might reasonably be expected.

The above matters are respectfully submitted for the careful consideration of the various municipal councils, with the request for their early consideration with a view to eliciting an expression of opinion on the general desirability of adopting the programme as above briefly outlines, or any part of it. And further requesting their cooperation in bringing about an early conference with the Government of all interested parties, for the purpose of discussing the whole situation in order that steps may be taken for definite action at the earliest possible time.

E. H. Armstrong,
Minister of Public Works and Mines.

Council ✓

Moved by Alderman Ackhurst seconded by Alderman Murphy that consideration of the matter be deferred and that in the meantime copies to be furnished each member of the City Council. Motion passed.

LIBRARY APPROPRIATION--CARNIGIE OFFER.

By consent of Council Alderman Kelly submits the following resolution:-

RESOLVED that the City Solicitor be instructed to prepare legislation to be submitted at the next session of the legislature authorizing the City to increase the present library appropriation by an amount sufficient to provide \$10,000.00 for yearly maintenance conditional on the Carnigie Corporation providing the money for the Library Building satisfactory to the City Council.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Kelly and seconded by Alderman Ackhurst.

Solicitor ✓

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Hubleby that this matter be deferred pending a further report and that it be taken up in connection with the consideration of proposed legislation for the 1921 session of the Provincial Assembly.

Alderman Murphy with the consent of the seconder and the Council withdraws the amendment.

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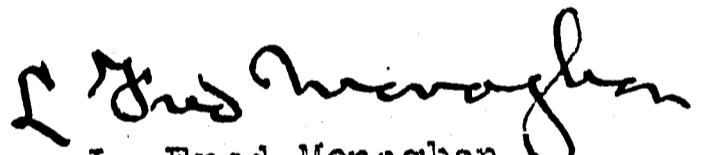
The resolution is put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman
Hubley that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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Council adjourns 10.55 o'clock.


L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J. S. Parker,

MAYOR.

A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N.

4.40 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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A meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon at the above named hour, present His Worship Mayor Parker and Aldermen Ackhurst, Colwell, Whitman, Finlay, Hoyt, Cameron, Regan, Kelly, Scanlon, Murphy, Buckley, Mason, Ritchie, Power, Godwin and Hubley.

The Council was summoned to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

(For the purpose of ready reference the list of papers submitted and the list of other headlines are all incorporated in one schedule at the end of the meeting.)

WINTER WORK--GOVERNMENT GUARANTEES LEGISLATION.

Read report Finance Committee recommending that in order to provide work for men otherwise unemployed during the present winter the sum of \$40,000.00 for Sewer Construction and \$15,000.00 for Water Extensions be borrowed and that the Premier of the Province be requested to undertake to use the good offices of the Government in the promotion of legislation sanctioning such loan.

Committee Room, City Hall,
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His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on the 13th inst., referring to this Committee for report, the reports of the Committee on Works and City Engineer in re Winter Work was read.

It was decided to recommend to the City Council, that the reports of the Committee on Works.

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and City Engineer be adopted that Hon. G.H. Murray, Provincial Secretary be requested by His Worship the Mayor and City Solicitor to use the good offices of his government in securing legislation at the next session of the Legislature to legalize the expenditure of \$40,000.00 for Sewer Construction and \$15,000.00 for Water Extension during the winter months. Alderman Whitman dissenting.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Alderman Whitman submits a minority report protesting against the recommendation of the Committee.

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To
His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

WINTER WORK.

I regret to dissent from the recommendation of the majority of the Finance Committee, to whom the report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer was referred by the City Council on the 13th instant. My reasons for dissenting are as follows:-

(1) I think the majority report is recommending the Council to do an illegal act.

Section 366 (1) is as follows:- "Unless authorized by an act of the Legislature, it shall not be lawful for the council to borrow on the credit of the City, any sum of money whatsoever, except a loan in anticipation of the years taxes as hereinbefore provided." Sub-section (2) Provides for the punishment for doing such illegal act.

(2) By our oath of office we have sworn to obey the law.

(3) The passing of the resolution recommended by the majority of the Committee on Finance would be under sub-section 1, an unlawful act, and is by our charter declared unlawful.

(4) The said section 366 for a great number of years has been in our charter and I approve of its principles.

(5) The promise of the good offices of the Local Government does not change the situation in the slightest.

For the above reasons alone, I dissent from the report of the majority of the Finance Committee. During my term in the Council I have always opposed this method of financing.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

Read letter Hon. Geo. H. Murray, Premier of the Province promising the influence of the Government

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in support of legislation in authorization of the suggested loans.

Office of Provincial Secretary,
Halifax, 20th January, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax.

Sir:-

With respect to your conversation this morning and the accompanying communication from the Chairman of the Finance Committee to His Worship the Mayor, and City Council, respecting winter work, the Government will be pleased to use its good offices to secure the necessary legislation at the ensuing session of the Legislature to legalize any expenditure that may be made by the City of Halifax for sewer construction of \$40,000. and for Water Extension of \$15,000. during the winter months.

G.H. Murray.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Murphy that the majority report of the Finance Committee be approved and adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Regan seconded by Alderman Power that Aldermen Mason and Scanlon be appointed a Committee to see that the proposed winter work is given to the persons for whom the work is intended.

After discussion the amendment is withdrawn.

The original motion for the adoption of the Majority report of the Finance Committee is put and passed 15 Aldermen voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:-

For the motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hublely - 15.

Against it:- Alderman Whitman.

Engineer ✓
Treasurer ✓
Solicitor ✓

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS LOAN \$500,000.00

Read report Finance Committee recommending acceptance of offer of J.M. Robinson & Sons to take up unsold portion of \$500,000.00 loan for Public Schools 5 1/2% at 92.85 of par at the present time amounting to \$137,000.00 of the \$500,000.00 required and \$13,000.00 needed at the below par tenders to produce that sum, the said offer totalling \$150,000.00 (see minutes City Council April 23rd, 1920 and January 13th, 1921).

Committee Room, City Hall,
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To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached letters of Messrs. J.M. Robinson & Sons, Brokers of St. John N.B. and The Eastern Securities Company Limited offering to purchase \$150,000. 5 1/2% School Bonds at 92.85% and all interest less 1 1/2% commission made up as follows, Bonds to the amount of \$137,000.00 being balance unsold of a loan authorized by resolution of City Council of April 23rd, 1920 amounting to \$500,000.00 and bonds to the amount of \$13,000.00 being the amount required to make up the difference in rate of 92.85% and par and obligating themselves to take the whole issue within thirty days was read.

It was decided to recommend that the offer of Messrs. J.M. Robinson & Sons be accepted for whole amounts. Alderman Murphy dissenting.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

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Halifax, N.S. January 19th, 1921

Treasurer, City of Halifax,
Dear Sir:-

We beg to submit the following offer for your \$150,000.00 5 1/2% School Bonds.

We will pay your 92.85 and all interest, less 1 1/2% commission for these bonds as we take delivery and obligate ourselves to pay for the entire issue in 30 days from acceptance of this offer.

J/M. Robinson & Sons,
per Guy Ross.

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Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay that the report be adopted. Motion put and passed 14 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:-

For the Motion:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Aokhurst, Finlay, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Buckley, Seanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hublely - 14

Against it:- Aldermen Hoyt, Murphy - 2.

TRAMWAY FARES COMMISSION.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary covering copy of Order in Council appointing a Commission re Halifax Tramway Fares under Chapter 203 of the Nova Scotia Acts 1920.

Office of Provincial Secretary
Halifax, 13th January, 1921.

The City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge your letter of 31st December to the Provincial Secretary and to advise you that a Commission has been appointed under Chapter 203 of the Acts of 1920, and issued to A.J. Campbell, K.C., of Truro, Roderick McColl, C.E. and T. Sherman Rogers, K.C., of Halifax.

I enclose herewith for your information a certified copy of the Order in Council in respect thereto.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

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Certified copy of an Order of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council, dated the 31st day of December A.D. 1920.

Whereas it is enacted by Section 3 of Chapter 203 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia for the year A.D. 1920 entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 180, Acts of 1914, entitled, "An Act to Incorporate Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company, Limited" as follows:-

"3. The provisions of Section 1 hereof shall only be in effect to a period of two years from the

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sealed.

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passing of this Act and on or before the 31st day of December, 1920, the Governor in Council shall appoint a Commission under the provisions of the Public Inquiries Act, consisting of a person appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia, a representative appointed by the City Council of the City of Halifax, and a representative appointed by the Company, who shall make all necessary investigations for the purpose of reporting on the first day of February 1922, to the Governor in Council and to the City Council of the City of Halifax as to whether the increased fares given by this Act should be further continued".

And whereas on the 31st day of December, A.D. 1920, pursuant to the authority vested by said Section. A.J. Campbell of Truro in the County of Colchester, Esquire, K.C., has been accordingly appointed by the Chief Justice of Nova Scotia, Roderick McColl, of the City of Halifax, Esquire, Civil Engineer, has been accordingly appointed a representative by the City Council of the said City of Halifax, at a meeting of said City Council held on the 30th day of December, A.D. 1920, and T. Sherman Rogers, of the City of Halifax, Esquire, K.C., has been accordingly appointed a representative by the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company, Limited;

Now therefore the Lieutenant Governor by and with the advice of the Executive Council for Nova Scotia is pleased to appoint the said A.J. Campbell, of the Town of Truro, in the County of Colchester, Esquire, K.C. Roderick McColl of the City of Halifax, Esquire Civil Engineer, and T. Sherman Rogers of the City of Halifax, Esquire, K.C., to be Commissioners under the provisions of "The Public Inquiries Act, 1919", and said Chapter 203 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia for the year 1920, to inquire into and concerning and to make all necessary investigations for the purpose of reporting on the 1st day of February, A.D. 1922, to the Governor in Council and to the City Council of the said City of Halifax as to whether the increased fares given by said Chapter 203 of the Acts of the Legislature of Nova Scotia for the year 1920, entitled "An Act to Amend Chapter 180, Acts of 1914, entitled 'An Act to Incorporate Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company, Limited'", should be further continued;

And the Lieutenant Governor by and with the advice aforesaid is pleased to order that a Commission under the Great Seal of Nova Scotia do issue accordingly and that thereby there be conferred upon the said Commissioners all and every power in the said Public Inquiries Act, 1919, mentioned and authorized to be conferred upon any Commissioner or Commissioners appointed by the authority or in pursuance thereof;

And it is hereby further ordered and declares that the Province of Nova Scotia shall be under no expense whatsoever in connection with said Commission or said investigation.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Clerk of the Executive
Council.

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Also read extract minutes of meeting of City Council January 13th 1921 covering letter Roderick McColl re remuneration for services. (see minutes City Council January 13th, 1921).

Read letter Hon. Geo. H. Murray, Premier of the Province, respecting the remuneration of members of the Commission.

Halifax, 20th, January, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.

Sir:-

In reference to your conversation with respect to the remuneration of the Commission appointed to investigate whether the increased fares given by Chapter 203 of the Acts of 1920 to the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company should be further continued, I may say that there is nothing in the Public Inquiries Act nor in Chapter 203 of the Acts of 1920 providing that the expenses, if any, of the Commission should be borne by the Government.

A Commission appointed under the Public Inquiries Act may be honorary, or may be entitled to a remuneration at the option of the Government, and it is specifically provided in the appointment of the Commission that the Province of Nova Scotia shall be under no expense whatsoever in connection with the Commission or the investigation. It was deemed proper to make that provision as the question is one solely for the City of Halifax and the Nova Scotia Tramway Company and not the Province at large. It was hoped that the report from such a Commission would result in clarifying the issue between the City and the Tramways, and if this result could be obtained it would justify any reasonable expenditure. However, the Government would be prepared to discuss with you the payment of the remuneration of the Commissioner appointed by the Chief Justice.

G.H. Murray.

Moved by Alderman Kelly seconded by Alderman Colwell that the City undertake, through legislative authorization ^{if} the same is secured, to pay one third of the expenses of the Commission.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Hubley that a Committee of three be

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appointed to discuss with the Premier and with Mr. McColl, the financial terms upon which the Commissioners will perform their services and report back to this Council.

The amendment is put and passed.

His Worship the Mayor nominates as the members of said Committee: Aldermen Murphy, Regan, and Hoyt.

The nominations are approved and the Committee appointed.

VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS.

Read report Finance Committee covering recommendation from His Worship the Mayor re the collection of accounts due the City towards the maintenance of patients in the Victoria General Hospital.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 19th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached extract from Minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on the 13th instant in reference to the collection of accounts due the City for treatment of patients at the Victoria General Hospital was read as was also a report from His Worship the Mayor informing the Committee that he had made satisfactory arrangements with the Superintendent of the City Home with reference to the collection of these accounts.

Your Committee have approved of the report of His Worship the Mayor and recommend it to the City Council for adoption.

Alfred Whitman,
Chairman.

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Mayor's Office, City Hall,
January 18th, 1921.

The City Council.
Gentlemen:-

Since the last meeting of the City Council I have taken up with John R. Buchanan, Superintendent of the City Home and with John A. Beed and Joseph R.

Mayor ✓
Aldermen ✓
Murphy ✓
Regan ✓
Hoyt ✓

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Thomson the matter of the collection of accounts due the City by patients treated at the Victoria General Hospital and in consequence of these interviews submit for the consideration of the Council the following recommendations.

1. That Mr. Buchanan the Superintendent of the City Home and Mr. O'Bryan his Assistant be appointed to look after and attend to all correspondence, reports, bookkeeping etc., and adjustment of cases as between the City and the Hospital; and also, through Collectors appointed by the Council, attend to the investigating of all cases as to the liability or otherwise of the City; the Superintendent and his Assistant to also make out all necessary accounts; to receive all moneys collected by the Collectors and pay all cash over to the City Treasurer less the amounts hereinafter referred to.

2. That John A. Beed and Joseph R. Thomson be sworn in as Collectors and report for duty to Mr. Buchanan and Mr. O'Bryan, their duty being to investigate all cases, to make collections and to act in all matters under the supervision of the Superintendent and his Assistant.

3. For their services Messrs. Beed and Thomson shall be paid 15% of all collections made by them but not including collections made by the Hospital authorities.

For investigating cases which eventually prove not to be properly chargeable to the City the Collector investigating shall be paid for each such case the sum of \$1.00.

The sums necessary to meet the remuneration above referred to shall be deducted by Mr. Buchanan from the collections made before handing same over to the City Treasurer; all such deductions to appear on the records kept and on the returns handed in to the Treasurer.

J.S. Parker,
Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Kelly that the report of the Committee and the recommendations of His Worship the Mayor be approved and adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman Whitman by leave of Council withdraws the notice of motion given by him at meeting January 13th, 1921 in relation to this matter.

LOAN \$525,000.00 FOR SEWER AND WATER SERVICES.

By unanimous consent of Council the following resolution is submitted:

*Mayor ✓
Mr Buchanan ✓
Joseph Beed ✓
John A. Beed ✓
Thomson ✓*

January 20th, 1921.

RESOLVED that the resolution of this Council passed on the 16th day of December 1920 authorizing the issue of stock or debentures of the City to the amount of \$525,000.00 and also the resolution of the Council relating to the same matter and supplementary to the aforesaid resolution be and the same are hereby rescinded and repealed.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and being put is passed unanimously the following named Aldermen being present and voting for the same viz:

For the Resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubbley-16.

Alderman Whitman submits the following resolution:-

WHEREAS an Act of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia passed in the year 1919 as Chapter 82, authorizes the City of Halifax to borrow money by the issue of debentures for the following, among other purposes, namely:- \$100,000 for the extension or improvement of the water service and \$200,000. for the construction of additional sewers.

AND WHEREAS the said City has heretofore borrowed under the authority aforesaid the sum of \$75,000, for extensions or improvements of the water service and \$150,000. for the construction of additional sewers, leaving a balance which may be borrowed under the said Act for the purposes aforesaid of \$25,000. for the extension or improvement of water service and \$50,000. for the construction of additional sewers.

AND WHEREAS an Act of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia passed in the year 1920 as Chapter 87 authorizes the City of Halifax to borrow money by the issue of debentures for the following, among other purposes, namely:- \$250,000. for the construction of new sewers and \$200,000. for extension and improvement of water service, and no moneys have been borrowed under the authority of the said statute for said purposes.

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to borrow the sum of \$525,000. by the issue of debentures for the purposes aforesaid.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Halifax do borrow the sum of \$525,000. for the purposes aforesaid by the issue of debentures of the City of Halifax in conformity with the provisions of the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act, 1905, and that the said debentures shall be dated as of the 1st day of January, 1921, shall be payable the 1st day of January, 1931 and shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent, per annum, payable half-yearly on the

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1st days of January and July in each year, and that the said principal and interest shall be payable in lawful money of Canada at the office of the City Treasurer in the City of Halifax and at the Royal Bank of Canada in the Cities of Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg or Vancouver, at holder's option.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Finlay and passed unanimously the following named 16 Aldermen being present and voting for the same:-

For the resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Whitman, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Buckley, Scanlon, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley-16.

CHEBUCTO ROAD SEWER.

Read reports Committee on Works and City Engineer re Sewer Chebuoto Road.

Office of Clerk of Works,
Halifax, N.S. January 20th, 1921

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Works Department held on the 19th inst., the attached report of the City Engineer on petition for extension of Sewer on Chebuoto Road, between Oxford and Kline Streets, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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City Engineer's Office,
January 14th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached petition asking for the construction of a sewer on Chebuoto Road. The district is building up rapidly and the street is level and requires drainage. The estimated cost is \$2580.

I would recommend that a sewer be constructed in Chebuoto Road between Oxford and Kline Streets.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Alderman Ritchie seconded by Alderman Godwin that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

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Engineer ✓

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STREET PAVING.

Read report Committee on Works covering letter
Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company Limited re
Street Paving.

City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S. January 20th, 1921

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works have had under consideration the resolution of the Council of December 9th, with reference to further paving work on the Streets. As the Committee understand it, the first part of the resolution, directing tenders to be called for the City's portion of certain streets, is more or less dependent upon the latter two clauses of the resolution directing the Committee to enter into negotiations with the Tram Company to ascertain the possibility of that company performing its part of the paving work.

Your Committee has complied with the latter part of the directions of the resolution to the best of its ability, and after considerable discussion and negotiations with the Manager of the Company asked him to state definitely what the prospects are for the Company performing its share of future paving work.

We attach hereto a copy of the communication received by us from him, dated January 13th, 1921.

In view of this situation, your Committee is at a loss to understand exactly what is the wish of the Council - whether or not it is their wish to call for tenders for paving streets, with the prospect of the City being in the same embarrassing position it was in the last summer when the Tram Company was unable to carry out its portion of the work, or whether it is the wish of the Council to call for tenders with the almost certainty of the Tram Company's part of the work being left undone.

Further, the City Engineer advises that the paving of the City's share only of the Tramway Streets, would be impracticable if not impossible. He states that on such streets as Agricola and Buckingham Streets, the paving of the City's share only, will leave the streets in an absolutely dangerous condition, with the probability, if not certainty of accidents. Also that on streets like Coburg Road, after paving, one wheel of the vehicle will be on the pavement and for the most part of the other wheel will be either stirring up the dust on the track allowance or throwing the mud from that portion of the street; one wheel will be running on smooth pavement, the other bumping along on the mud road. He declines to endorse or recommend paving of such streets in the manner ~~suggested~~ suggested.

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Under these circumstances, your Committee again submit the matter to the Council for further consideration, On behalf of the Committee.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.

Sir:-

In regard to the matter of Street Paving we regret to advise that since November 10th, the date of our last letter on this subject, there has been no change in the situation. As stated in that letter, conditions are somewhat better, but there must be still further improvement before necessary funds can be secured.

In this connection we should also like to refer you to our letter of September 9th, 1920, in which we state our willingness to turn over to the City Engineer, rail and scoria block which we now have on hand, for use by him and his department in paving the Company's portion of any streets covered by the program. We stand ready to further cooperate to the fullest extent possible in any reasonable plan for the paving of the streets.

Should funds become available for street paving work, we beg to give you our assurance that such work will be undertaken at the earliest date possible and pushed to completion as rapidly as conditions permit,

W.L. Weston,
Manager.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman Power that the consideration of the Committee on Works be deferred until the next meeting of the City Council and that in the meantime the Committee on Works do not advertise for tenders for street paving.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Hoyt ... that this matter be referred back to the Committee on Works, and that Aldermen Power and Whitman be ^{associated with} said Committee for the purpose of discussing the claim of the Canadian Bituminous Paving Corporation Limited for compensation for alleged damages and that in the meantime the Works Committee defer advertising

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*Engineer ✓
Mayor ✓
as Power ✓
as Whitman ✓*

for tenders for Street Paving.

The amendment is put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Whitman seconded by Alderman

Kelly that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Winter Work--Government Guarantees Legislation - 660. 686
Public Schools Loan \$500,000.00 - 663. 689.
Tramway Fares Commission - 664. 690.
Victoria General Hospital Accounts - 667. 693
Loan \$525,000.00 for Sewer and Water Services - 668. 694
Chebucto Road Sewer - 670. 696.
Street Paving - 671. 697.

Council adjourns 6.30 p.m.

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CITY CLERK.

J.S. Parker,

MAYOR.

AFTERNOON SESSION

5.03 o'clock.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 25th, 1921.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening at the above named hour; Present His Worship Mayor Parker and Aldermen Regan, Hoyt, Finlay, Kelly, Murphy, Colwell, Godwin, Ackhurst, Cameron, Power, Mason and Hubley and subsequently during the session Aldermen Buckley, Ritchie and Bissett.

The Council was summoned to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

(For the purpose of ready reference the list of papers submitted and the list of other headlines are all incorporated in one schedule at the end of the meeting).

LOAN \$525,000.00 FOR SEWER AND WATER SERVICES;
ALSO \$30,000.00 EXCESS TO PRODUCE THAT AMOUNT

Read report Finance Committee recommending the adoption of a resolution in respect to the issuing of bonds for \$30,000.00 necessary to net the City the amount required under loan of \$525,000.00.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 25th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.
Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day it was decided to recommend for adoption the attached resolution in re to the issue of bonds to produce the sum of \$30,000.00 being amount required to make up the difference in rate for the loan of \$525,000.00.

A.J. Finlay,
Acting Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

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Alderman Finlay by leave of Council submits the following resolution on behalf of the Finance Committee.

WHEREAS pursuant to resolution of the Council of the City of Halifax passed the 20th day of January, 1921 the City of Halifax issued and sold its debentures to the amount of \$525,000. for the purposes mentioned in said resolution.

AND WHEREAS at the best price obtainable therefor the said debentures failed to produce the sum of \$525,000. required for the purposes therein mentioned and it is desirable and necessary under the authority of Section 345 of the City of Halifax Charter to issue further debentures to the amount of \$30,000. in order to produce the full sum of \$525,000. required for the purposes mentioned in said resolution of 20th January 1921.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Halifax do borrow the sum of \$30,000. for the purposes aforesaid by the issue and sale of debentures of the City of Halifax infonformity with the provisions of the Halifax City Consolidated Fund Act, 1905, that the said debentures shall be dated the first day of January 1921 shall be payable on the first day of January 1931 and shall bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum, payable half-yearly on the first days of January and July in each year, and that the said principal and interest shall be payable in lawful money of Canada at the office of the City Treasurer in the City of Halifax, and at the Royal Bank of Canada in the Cities of Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg or Vancouver, at holder's option.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hublely and passed on the following vote of Council.

For the resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Power, Mason, Godwin and Hublely - 12.

Against it:- 0.

LOAN \$55,000.00 FOR WINTER WORK.

Read report Finance Committee re proposed loan of \$55,000.00 for Winter Work on Sewer and Water Construction.

Committee Room, City Hall,
January 25th, 1921.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day it was decided to recommend that the Mayor and City Treasurer be authorized to borrow from any fund

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available or from any Chartered Bank on the best terms possible the sum of fifty five thousand dollars for the purposes set out in attached resolution.

A.J. Finlay,
Acting Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Aldermen Hubley that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

Alderman Finlay by leave of Council submits the following resolution on behalf of the Finance Committee.

WHEREAS at a meeting of the City Council held Thursday January 20th, 1921 it was resolved by a vote of 15 to 1 to expend the sum of \$40,000. for the construction of Sewers and \$15,000. for the extension of the Water Supply in order to give work to the unemployed residents and ratepayers of the City during the winter months.

AND WHEREAS Premier Murray of the Provincial Government of Nova Scotia has, by letter, at the earliest solicitation of His Worship Mayor Parker and the City Council been pleased to promise that his Government will use its good offices to secure the necessary legislation at the ensuing session of the Legislature legalizing such expenditure.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that His Worship the Mayor and the City Treasurer be and are hereby authorized to borrow the said amounts from any funds available or from a Chartered Bank on the best terms possible. The repayment to be made from the first loan ordered by City Council after the passing of the necessary legislation.

The resolution is moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman Hubley and passed on the following vote of Council.

For the Resolution:- Aldermen Colwell, Ackhurst, Finlay, Hoyt, Regan, Kelly, Cameron, Murphy, Ritchie, Power, Mason, Godwin, Hubley - 13.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Health Board recommending accounts for payment.

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Office of City Health Board,
Halifax, N.S. Jan. 24th, 1921.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the City Council.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to submit for your information accounts
totalling \$1,776.26 and passed by the City Health Board
at a meeting held on Monday, January 24th, 1921

J. A. Watters,
Secretary City Health Board.

Isolation Hospital.

MacLeod & Balcom	Drugs	5.75	
Leonard Fisheries	Fish	10.45	
J.J. Scriven	Bread	20.54	
A.B. Wilson	Sweeping Chimneys	18.00	
Acadian Recorder	Advertising	17.50	
F.M. Walker	Milk & Cream	42.51	
J. Lycon	Taxi Service	38.00	
R.E. Ward	Carpenter Work	689.60	
National Drug Co.	Gauze	7.25	
N.S. Furnishing Co.	Casters	3.20	
Newton Harvey	Trucking	5.00	
T.P. Shea	Eggs & Butter	65.90	
Hfx. Steam Laundry	Washing	66.63	
Kinley's Ltd.	Drugs	104.10	
Cragg Bros.	Mops Clock etc.	11.60	
Farquhar Bros.	Electric Bulbs	14.50	
David Roche	Glass & Putty	1.41	
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	31.50	
N.S. Undertaking Co.	Con. Patients	125.00	
J.A. Leaman & Co.	Meat	83/34	
Michael Day	Plumbing	125.16	
Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries	138.37	
			\$1,625.31

General Account:

Morton & Thomson	Battery	.40	
T.C. Allen	Office Supplies	9.20	
National Drug Co.	Formaldehyde	94.42	
A. Milne Fraser	Type Ribbon	45.50	
C.P.R.	Telegrams	1.43	150.95
	Total.....		\$1,776.26

Moved by Alderman Finlay seconded by Alderman
Colwell that the report be adopted and the accounts
paid.

Alderman Hoyt asked for the opinion of the City
Solicitor as to whether the City Health Board has
power to incur expenditures in excess of \$500.00
without first obtaining the approval of the City
Council and if in any case the City Health Board may

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incur expenditures in excess of \$500.00 without letting the work out under tender and contract.

The City Solicitor states that there is nothing in the City Charter requiring the City Health Board to call for tenders.

The City Solicitor is requested to submit his opinion in writing.

Alderman Finlay's motion is put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Murphy seconded by Alderman Hubley that the Council do now adjourn. Motion passed.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Loan \$525,000.00 for Sewer and Water Services;
Also \$30,000.00 excess to Produce that Amount - 674 700
Loan \$55,000.00 for Winter Work - 675. 701.
City Health Board Accounts - 676. 702.

Council adjourns 5.35 o'clock.


L. Fred Monaghan,

CITY CLERK.

J. S. Parker,
MAYOR.