### CITY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY OCTOBER 13, 1949

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AGENDA
Prayer.
Minutes.
Motion by Alderman Walker Reconsideration reorganization of Works Dept.
Accounts.
Report Fin. & Exec. Comm. re Accounts Special Items.
                              Poll Tax Officer's Report.
                              Supplementary Appropriations.
                              Maintenance Rate City Home.
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                              Claim Mrs. Vera Osborne.
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Report Safety Committee re Accounts over $200.00.
                            Disposition of Truck F. A. T. Department.
                            Finger Printing Course.
                            Tenders Parking Meters.
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 Report Public Health & Welfare Comm. re Accounts over $200.00 etc.
                                          Tenders for Vegetables.
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                                          Convention A. P. H. A.
                                          Salaries.
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 Report Housing Accommodation Committee re Sale of Hot Water Boilers.
                                            Sale of Toilets.
 Questions.
 Report Committee on Works re Accounts over $500.00 etc.
                               Final Certificate.
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                               Concrete Sidewalks etc.
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                               Grading Street etc. Brunswick St. Extension.
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                               Sewer Extension Brunswick Street.
                               Sprinkler System Town Clock.
                               Street Paving Program 1949-1950.
                               Railway Siding City Dump.
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                               Deed to Donald E. Graves.
                               Water Extensions.
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Approval Ordinance # 41.

Approval Sale of Land Dutch Village Road.

Report Chief Accountant re Tax Collections Month of September.

Appropriations.

Tenders Trucks, Air Compressors.

# EVENING SESSION

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., October 13, 1949, 8:00 P. N.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Deputy Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

The meeting was called to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

The following named papers were submitted.

# MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Eurgese that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

# MOTION ALDERMAN WALKER RE: RECONSIDERATION OF REORGANIZATION OF WORKS DEPT.

Alderman Walker: "I am still of the same opinion that there was no need to bring in this expert. I believe we still could have found a man here capable of doing the job."

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the matter be reconsidered.

Reports of the Committee on Works under date of September 14, 1949 and Mr. F. C. Woods under date of September 9, 1949 were read by the City Clerk.

The motion was put and lost 3 voting for the same and 8 against it as follows:

# FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Abbott Walker Burgess

# AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Hosterman
Adams
MacDonald
Kitz
Redmond
Vaughan

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# ACCOUNTS

A resolution covering the accounts of the various Committees was submitted as follows:

RESOLVED that this Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the FINANCE & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE amounting to \$13,971.92; the COMMITTEE ON SAFETY amounting to \$3,673.24 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$29,964.49 chargeable to Fixe Department; \$32,057.99 chargeable to Police Department; the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE amounting to \$31,943.80 chargeable to Health Dept; \$14,851.39 chargeable to City Home and \$3,974.32 chargemable to City Prison; the COMMITTEE ON WORKS amounting to \$45,676.45; the DIRECTORS OF POINT PLEASANT PARK amounting to \$1,117.72; and the HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE amounting to \$5,242.39 under the promisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

# ACCOUNTS SPECIAL ITEMS

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

# FORUM

J. H. Leedham & Co. Ltd.

\$ 464.66

# EMERGENCY SHELTER

A. A. Burbridge Purdy Motors Limited \$ 381.25 301.51

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# FINANCE DEFT.

Soulis Typewriter Co. Ltd. \$ 261.52 638.67

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# ACCOUNT F. W. BISSETT, K. C.

Halifax, N. S., October 13, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date it was decided to recommend to the City Council that the City secure legislative authority to enable the City to refund to those persons who have paid their respective shares of the account of F. W. Bissett, K. C. amounting to \$1,430.00 for services rendered members of the Council in the investigation into the purchase of snow blowers.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved. Motion passed with Alderman Vaughan wishing to be recorded against.

# ACCOUNT STORAGE TANKS CITY HOME

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

To His Worship the Mayor and Hembers of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date an account from F. W. McNally amounting to \$2, 846.36 for installing Storage Tanks for the Hot Water System at the City Home was approved and recommended for payment under the provisions of Section 316 C of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hostellan

that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# POLL TAX OFFICER'S REPORT

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

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At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Poll Tax Officer for the quarter year ending September 30, 1949 was read and it was directed that same be forwarded to Council for its information and filing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

# POLL TAX COLLECTIONS FOR CIVIC QUARTER YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 1949.

CURR	ENT	ARREARS	PEN. & INT.	TOTAL
\$47,403	.25	4,193.67	\$ 776.76	\$ 52,379.68
·	1948	194	9 Pen	i. & Int. 1949
July Aug. Sept.	5,873.51 5,691.25 38,867.18	5,227 6,898 39,470	74 66 52	282.50 205.94 286.32
Total	50,431.94	51,596.	,92	776.76
	TOTAL INCREA		\$49 RIOD 1948 \$	52,373.68 51,139.85 1,233.83

# COLLECTED BY STREET COLLECTORS

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Mr. Mr.	Rockwell Durrant Foley Oxley	\$ 2,593.00 1,704.00 1,586.00 2,074.00
Mr. Mr. Mr. Mr. Mr. Mr.	Yates (Part Time) Frawley # # Barrett # # Phillips # # Poirier # # McDonald # # Rising # # Marriott # #	628.00 379.00 322.00 232.00 67.00 326.00 107.00 106.00
PAID AT OFFICE		42,244.68 \$ 52,373.68
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# SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION CITY PRISON

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Public Health & Welfare Committee recommending that the sum of \$800.00 be provided under the authority of section 316 C of the City Charter to supplement the appropriations for Bread and Fish for the City Prison for the remainder of the current year, was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# FUNDS RECREATION COMMITTEE

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

Mr. R. K. Smith, Director of Recreation appeared before the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date requesting that a supplementary appropriation be provided for the Recreation Committee.

After hearing Mr. Smith it was decided to recommend that sufficient funds be provided under the authority of Section 316 C of the City Charter to pay the salaries of the Director and men engaged to remove and store certain equipment belonging to the Recreation Committee for the remainder of the current civic year.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# MAINTENANCE RATE CITY HOME

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Public Health and Welfare Committee was submitted recommending that the minimum charge for maintenance of patients (other than pensioners) at the City Home be \$2.00 per day, effective as from September 1, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# TOPOGRAPHICAL MAP

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Committee on Works recommending that the topographical map which was turned over to the City by the Halifax Shipyard's Limited and destroyed by vandalism be repaired at the estimated cost of between \$1,500.00 and \$1,600.00.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that the funds required for this purpose be provided under the authority of section 316 C of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Burgess that we do not spend any \$1,500.00 in repairing this map.

Alderman MacDonald: "What is the original value?"

Alderman Burgess withdraws his amendment.

Alderman DeWolf: "It is a miniature of the Harbour."

Alderman Abbott stated that he would be willing to support the motion provided that some assurance could be given that it would not be destroyed again.

Alderman Walker felt that the map should be insured and that same should be given to the Commissioner of Works for safe-keeping.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Burgess, DeWolf, Hosterman, Kitz, MacDonald, Moriarty, Redmond, Vaughan and Walker.

# SALE OF LAND FARMER'S LIMITED

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the City Assessor recommendating that an offer of Farmers Limited to pay the sum of \$200.00 for a strip of land on Windsor Street having a frontage on Windsor Street of 17! and a depth of 100! bs accepted was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that a resolution authorizing the City to dispose of this land be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# SALE OF LAND MRS. MacDONALD

Halifax, N. S., October 11,1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Committee on Works recommendeding that a portion of City owned land on Inglis Street 151 x 1401 be sold to Mrs. C. W. C. MacDonald for the sum of \$375.00 plus improve-

ment charges amounting to \$32.25 was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that a resolution authorizing the City to dispose of this land be passed and forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adame that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# TENDERS FOR LAND

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date tenders for various City owned properties were considered and it was agreed to recommend that the following tenders be approved.

- (1) Halifax Gospel Hall offering to pay the sum of \$625.00 f.m v lot at the corner of Swaine and Berlin Streets 31 x 91%.
- (2) Mrs. Martha Lake offering to pay the sum of \$200.00 for a A lot at the rear of #823-5 Barrington Street 23 x 461.
- (3) William O'Toole offering to pay the sum of \$700.00 for a lot at the corner of Barrington and Richmond Streets 80 x 80%.
- (4) William O'Toole offering to pay the sum of \$400.00 for a lot on the east side of Union Street 50 x 1001.

It is further recommended that the deeds to the above means tioned properties be withheld until such time as 10% of the buildings to be erected thereon are completed, and that a resolution authorizing the City to dispose of these properties be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved with the proviso that the deed to the piece of property at the rear of 823-5 Barrington St. be not withheld. Amendment passed.

# SALE OF LOTS INGLIS ST.

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

### Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date tenders were considered for the sale of 1008 % to 7 inclusive on the north side of Inglis Street, east of Rosis Street and the following tenders are recommended to Council for approval.

- (1) Elizabeth B. Davis offering to pay the sum of \$2,175.09 for Lot No. 1.
- (2) R. A. Kanigsborg offering to pay the sum of \$2,300.00 for Lot No. 2.
- (3) J. C. Glube & Noa Heinish offering to pay the cum of \$1,929.50 for Lot No. 3.
- (4) J. C. Glube & Noa Heinish offering to pay the sum of \$2,314.80 for Lot No. 4.
- (5) J. C. Glube & Noa Heinish offering to pay the sum of \$2,314.80 for Lot No. 5.
- (6) Chesley G. Abbott offering to pay the sum of \$2,150.00 for Lot No. 6.
- (7) Ralph Gould offering to pay the sum of \$2,100.00 for Let No.?.

It is also recommended that the deeds to the above properties be withheld until such time as 10% of the buildings to be erected thereon are completed and that a resolution authorizing the City to dispose of same be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved.

Alderman Abbott stated that he opposed the sale of these lots as it is the only remaining open space in that part of the City where there will be two schools built and about 2,000 school children will require recreational space. He suggested that this land be held by the City.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Walker that this land be held for an indefinite period.

Alderman Kitz rose to a point of order and stated that this amendment was contrary to the motion.

Alderman Burgess suggested that the matter be deferred for one month so that additional information would be available.

His Worship the Deputy Mayor stated that the School Board was satisfied that there was enough land left at the back of these lots for recreation.

The City Assessor stated that the open space extends along Robie Street for 1400 feet with a depth of 620 feet.

Alderman Hosterman to Mr. McManus: "How many acres left after this sale goes through?\*

City Assessor: \*Approximately 18".

Alderman DeWolf: "The Building Engineer of the Achocl Board told me it was a mistake to sell this land as it should be held for recreation."

Alderman Moriarty stated that he would like to see the City get the revenue from these lots if it did not interfere with the playground. He felt the matter should be deferred for a while until the interested people have a chance to look it over.

Mr. S. R. Balcom of the Council of Social Agencies was granted permission to address the Council and stated that the area should be held for recreational activities. "I would suggest that this be delayed until the interested citizens have an opportunity to go into it. "

Mr. A. Gordon Archibald then addressed the Council and stated that one of the chief reasons why Council bought the land 5 years ago was for recreational purposes and that the area was used by hundreds of children. He suggested that the sale be deferred.

Alderman Kitz stated that he would be the last person to vote in favor of the abolition of recreational facilities. entertaining the sale of this land which amounts to about 8% of the area. Along Inglis Street has been built up. We are going to gain \$15,000.00 in revenue. I think we can well sell this small strip of land."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that acceptance of the tenders for the Inglis Street lots be deferred for one month and that the matter be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee for further consideration and that a committee consisting of all Aldermen be appointed to Whalf the site on Monday, October 17, 1949 at 5100 P. M. Amendment passed.

# CLAIM MRS. VERA OSBORNE

Halifax, N. S., October 1:, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Committee on Works recommending that a claim of Mrs. Vera Osborne amounting to \$132.50 for damages done to her premises at #206 Televille Street, caused by blasting when the sewer was laid on Sebastian Street be paid.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# SALARY SCALE LIBRARIAN

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Memorial Public Library Committees respecting the appointment of a Librarian was considered.

It was agreed to make the following recommendations for Council's approval.

- (1) That a salary scale be set for the classification of Librarian with a minimum of \$4,000.00 and a maximum of \$4,500.00 with the usual automatic increases being granted yearly.
- (2) That the Memorial Public Library Committee be requested to make a specific recommendation re Appointment of Librarian.

Respectfully submitted, W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

Alderman Burgess stated that he would like to see the successful applicant a Halifax resident.

His Worship the Deputy Mayor: "There has been considerable work done on this and I can assure you that that matter has been given first consideration."

The motion was then put and passed.

# INTEREST CHARGES BUTLER PROPERTIES

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Your Committee recommends that the report be approved and the necessary legislation obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

September 28, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor & Members of the Finance & Executive Committee, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

At your last regular meeting I was instructed to go into the request made by Mr. Edward Cragg, Solicitor for Samuel Butler, that his client be relieved of the interest on local improvement charges made respecting a property owned by Mr. Butler situated on Chebucto Road, Connaught Avenue and Newton Avenue.

I have gone into this matter as instructed and find that Mr. Butler purchased the land facing on Chebucto Road and Newton Avenue by deed recorded October 5, 1938. The lot on Connaught Avenue was purchased by Mr. Butler by deed recorded May 8, 1937. He was, therefore, the owner of the property at all times material to the discussion, with the exception of the grading charge on Newton Avenue which was done prior to Mr. Butler purchasing the property.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

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Early in September, 1939, the Airport was taken over by the Department of National Defence for Air and on November 28, 1955 a Privy Council order was passed prohibiting building within certain distances of the Airport. Mr. Butler's property was included in the area described in the order. Subsequently this order was repealed and the City by ordinance dated October 5, 1944, continued the said prohibition until May 29, 1946. Consequently the improvements made between 1939 and 1946 were of no benefit at the same to Mr. Butler, as he was prevented from erecting buildings thereon.

It is recommended that Mr. Butler be relieved of the waterest charges on the improvements as follows, and that the necessary legislation be obtained.

1940 Sewer	Principal  # # #	\$ 212.50	Interess	\$120.00
1940 Pavement		152.97	#	80.45
1941 Sidewalk		171.92	#	84.25
1943 Pavement		96.10	*	20.26
		\$ 633.49		\$5.20.63

Mr. Butler should pay the following charges in respect to both principal and interest.

1938 Grading	\$ 60.20	\$ 44.024
1948 Paving	330.81	25.005
1949 Trees	12.00	
	\$ 403.01	<b>\$</b> 64.76

# RE: Lot 45 Conraught Avenue

What has been said about the restrictions in discussing Chebucto Road and Newton Avenue applies to Connaught Avenue. Mr. Butler should be relieved of the interest charges on all improvements which were done between April 1940 and April 1946, and that The necessary legislation be obtained.

They are as follows:

1940 Sewer	\$ 112.50	🛊 \$ <b>ৃ</b> ু 🕫
1941 Sidewalk	66.91	24.5
1946 Trees	17.50	<u> </u>
	<b>\$</b> 196 <b>.</b> 91	<b>\$</b> %00.59

The correspondence left by Mr. Cragg is returned belowith.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. McManus, CITY ASSESSOR.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance requesting authority to pay to the widow of the late Sergeant Peter Ryan the amount of pension he would have received for the month of October was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

October 11, 1949.

Chairman and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:

October 8, 1949. As he was in receipt of a pension from the City, I respectfully request authority to pay to his widow the amount of pension he would have received for the month of October 1949. This can be accomplished under Section 217 of the City Charter.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew, Commissioner of Finance.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Notion passed.

# SUPERANNUATION PAYMENT LATE MR. FLANNIGAN

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance requesting authority to pay to Mrs. Armanda Flannigan, Widow of the late James W. Flannigan, the sum of \$60.00 was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

October 13, 1949.

11th October, 1949.

Chairman and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

I respectfully request permission of the City Council to pay to Mrs. Armanda Flannigan the amount of \$60.00 payable to her late husband, Mr. James W. Flannigan, who died early this month. This represents the amount of the pension grant for the month of October that he would have received had he lived.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew, Commissioner of Finance.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# WRITE-OFF TAXES

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date reports from the Commissioner of Finance requestering that uncollectible tax accounts amounting to the sum of \$34,340. 75 be written off under the provisions of Section 283, sub-section 2 of the City Charter was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the accounts be written off as requested.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### MAXWELL PROPERTIES

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on

the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting the Maxwell Properties was read and it was agreed to firmward same to Council for its information and filling.

Respectfully aubmitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLTRI.

11th, October 1949.

Chairman and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

This is to advise you that the recommendations made by the Special Committee re the Maxwell Properties, and approved by the City Council June 12, 1947 have been completed as indlower

# Properties sold for Cash:

32 Cedar Street - L. M. Tipton - \$ 4,000.00 34 Cedar Street - W. L. O'Nell - 4,000.00

# Properties sold under Agreement of Sales

36 Cedar Street - C. S. Smlth - \$ 5,200.00 177 Henry Street - C. J. Emery - 5,500.00

Total

\$18,700.00

The prices quoted above, along with the rents received by the City from 1940 when the properties were sold under execution and bought in by the City, will be more than sufficient to sacisfy the amount of the judgment of \$22,870.19, plus any additional expense the City was obliged to incur.

The tax accounts were paid yearly out of the rents during the period these properties were operated by the City.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bollew, Commissioner of Finance.

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### BORROWING CURRENT ACCOUNT

Halifax, H. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance suggesting that an additional sum of \$1,000,000 be borrowed from the Royal Bank of Canada in such amounts as may from time to

time be necessary to maintain the current account in funds was considered.

Your Committee recommends that authority be granted to borriv this sum under the provisions of Section 318 B of the City Charter,

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Morierty, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

# CANCELLATION TAXES HEMMING PROPERTY

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held of the above date the attached report from the City Solicitor respecting an adjustment of taxes on properties purchased from Mr. Herbert Hemming was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the amounts as listed be written off and cancelled under the authority of Section 351 of Chapter 77 of the Acts of 1948.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Optober 4, 1949.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

In March 1948 the City purchased from Herbert Hamming 17 and 18 Connolly Street. Taxes were adjusted and the City share amounted to the following sums:

Taxes on 17 Connolly Street \$19.69

Fire Protection on 17 Connolly Street 2.20

Taxes on 19 Connolly Street 19.69

By Section 51 of Chapter 77 of Acts of 1948 the City was authorized to write off and cancel these taxes. Would you therefore

Date October 11, 1949.

From: Carl P. Bethune, K.C. City Solicitor

Re: Collection of taxes, etc.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

Dear Sirs:

I am submitting this report to you at the request of His Worship the Mayor.

The writ situation is extremely serious and must be given immediate attention. The quantity of writs being required by the Collection Department of the City is such as exceeds the capacity of the bailiff of the City Court, who has to serve all processes originating from that Court and very many of these processes come from private sources.

In addition, the problem of serving writs outside of the City has arisen and on instructions of the Magistrate the Bailiff will accept no further writs for service outside of the City. There are now approximately 100 writs to be served outside the City awaiting attention. These writs require service in Dartmouth, Fairview, Spryfield, Armdale, Enfield and adjacent districts.

The Poll Tax Officer has informed this department that he has 500 accounts ready to be handed over for issue of writs and that he has in the vicinity of 1000 more which he is holding in reserve.

There is a tremendous back-log of taxes on the ledgers prior to 1939 which has still to be collected. Many of these accounts are very difficult to collect and they have been sent to this office from time to time when the clerk in charge of these ledgers has been able to get them available. There is apparently no coordination between the operation of these ledgers and the operation of the other accounts in the Collector's office and it seems to me that if these old ledgers are to be continued in operation and accounts are due by persons mentioned therein they should in some way be tied in with other accounts due by the same persons for taxes for years subsequent to 1939 which are under the direction of the City Collector.

Collection Act.

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At the present time there are approximately 700 accounts in this office in various stages which require continuous attention. Some have writs issued without any further steps, some have Orders under the Collection Act which must be followed up, some are ready for judgment but judgment has not been entered, and some are awaiting an opportunity to prepare papers for examination under the

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There is a great difficulty in ascertaining correct addresses. Many of the statements sent from the Collector's office or from the old ledger have incorrect addresses and sometimes other necessary detail is missing.

I have come to the conclusion that in order to look after these accounts properly it is necessary that one person be assigned to them and that due to the quantity of work he have no other obligations. I think that such person should be connected directly with the Collector's Department but be under the supervision of the City Solicitor for any legal matters that arise. In this way he will be in first-hand touch with the records and the members of the Collector's Department will be able to supply firsthand information in respect of the accounts. This can be done either by transferring one member of the staff of this Department to the Collector's office or preferably by appointing a Departmental Solicitor. If a Departmental Solicitor were appointed he would be able to look after the routine legal work of the Finance Department subject to the supervision of the City Solicitor.

ments be made for service of writs issued for the City Collector's office and for the execution of warrants issued by the City Collector. In my opinion a Departmental Bailiff should be appointed. This Bailiff would be under the direction of the Magistrate insofar as the service of writs is concerned but the writs which he would serve would be limited to those issued by the City of Halifax. He would be under the direction of the City Collector in respect of Warrants of Distress for taxes.

There are approximately 21 steps involved from the receipt of instructions from the Collector to issue a writ for taxes to the final enforcement of the judgment. These steps are as follows:

1. There is a statement to be secured from the City Collector.

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- 2. There are three copies of the writs to be prepared.
- 3. They are then taken to the Clerk of the City Court for issuance; the Court number has to be ascertained and marked on the files.
- 4. They all have to be entered in the Praecipe Book.
- 5. They have to be checked later for service.
- 6. They then have to be checked with the City Collector to see if any payments have been made since the issue of the writ.
- 7. Then judgment has to be entered, checking the costs, etc.
- 8. The Collection Act papers have to be prepared.
- 9. The Collection Act papers have to be sent to the Examiner for an appointment for examination.
- 10. The Collection Act papers have to be given to the Bailiff for service.
- 11. Service of the Collection Act papers has to be checked.
- 12. The examinations have to be made.
- 13. Payments under the Collection Act have to be checked periodically.
- 14. If payments are not made, papers for special examination have to be prepared.
- 15. These papers have to be sent to the Examiner to fix a date for the examination.
- 16. These papers have to be handed to the Bailiff for service.
- 17. Examination has to take place before the Special Examiner.
- 18. Payments have to be checked in order to ascertain if they are being made periodically.
- 19. If payments are not being made, papers for an arrest have to be prepared.

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- It is then necessary to appear before an Examiner for an Order for Arrest. 20.
- 21. Papers are handed to the Bailiff for arrest.

Yours very truly, CARL P. BETHUNE CITY SOLICITOR.

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kindly make a recommendation to Council that these taxes be written off.

Yours truly,

Carl P. Bethune, CITY SOLICITOR.

Per T. C. Doyle.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# COLLECTION OF ACCOUNTS

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

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At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a letter was submitted from the City Solicator respectaing the collection of taxes.

Your Committee recommends that in order to insure service of writs and warrants that an additional Bailiff be employed for the purpose of serving writs and warrants on behalf of the City only and that he be paid at the rate of \$200.00 per month and also receive a car allowance of \$25.00 per month. Any sums required for the balance for the current year be obtained under Section 316 C of the City Charter.

Your Committee also recommends the engagement of a Solicitor for the purpose of the collection of the accounts to be attached to the Collector's Dept. at a salary of \$3,000.00 per annum; funds to be obtained under section 316 C of the City Charter.

Your Committee also recommends that the City Clerk advertise for these positions and that the City Solicitor and Commissioner of Finance be instructed to select the Bailiff from among the applicants.

The report of the City Solicitor is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kitz that the matter of hiring additional help for the Legal Department be referred back to the Finance and Executive Committee with a view to dividing the work necessary between the Legal Department and the Collector's Department.

Date October 3, 1949.

From: Carl P. Bethune, K.C. City Solicitor

Re : Hospital accounts.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

Dear Sirs:

This matter is of great importance and should be considered by your committee. In view of the heavy expense borne by the City in providing hospitalization every effort should be made to keep this cost as low as possible.

The matter of establishing liability is in the hands of my Department and it is interesting to note that we receive 15 to 18 affidavits of settlement every day. All of these have to be carefully gone over to make certain where the settlement of the patient actually is. In the case of the Victoria General Hospital in particular, from which we receive about 12 affidavits per day, we are primarily liable if the residence of the patient is in the City but may, if we can, recover from the patient or certain relatives or his place of settlement, once we have paid the hospital. As a result of this unfair statute we must maintain a large staff at our own expense in order to protect ourselves and see to it that we do not pay bills which are not ours. The attitude of the Provincial Department of Health is that we are fortunate in having such an up to date hospital in the City.

There are now accounts due by the City to the Victoria General Hospital outstanding to the amount of about \$50,000.00.

To give some idea of the quantity of work involved let me say that the bulk of the time of one legal member of my staff is taken up examining these settlement affidavits and determining settlements. Many of the cases take considerable time, research and correspondence. In addition we have a person who visits the hospitals each day and takes the affidavits. Mr. Smeltzer has to exert the collection effort and he has a clerical staff to help him.

There are several matters of importance in dispute:

- (1) Charge for ambulance
- (2) Charge for out patients

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(3) Hospitalization of D.P. ts.
 (4) Hospitalization of prisoners, diabetic and V.D. cases.

(5) Hospitalization of polio cases. (6) Hospitalization of children in Orphanages and

homes of correction.

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As to (1), in my opinion the City is not liable to pay the Victoria General Hospital the \$3.00 fee for use of the ambulance. In spite of this and a number of refusals to pay this charge the Hospital authorities persist in including the same in the bills rendered the City. This fact demands a particularly careful scrutiny of each account in order that the account be not paid in error.

As to (2), the City is now in receipt of accounts for services rendered to out-patients by the Hospital. The amount now outstanding is about \$2600.00 and is still growing. In my opinion the City is not liable for this type of hospitalization under the Act and we should not be charged for these cases. The mere fact that the charge is made against the City requires out staff to undertake more work and further complicates a complicated and burdensome matter.

In order to try to have this matter of outpatients cleared up, I wrote the Deputy Attorney General setting out my objections to the charge and under date of August 1st, 1949, I received his reply agreeing with my opinion that the City was not liable.

Mr. MacDonald, however, goes on to say that from an equitable point of view the situation is different. He states that this emergency service which is carried on at a considerable expense justifies a charge. The following is an extract from Mr. MacDonald's letter:

"In the equity of the matter, however, I feel forced to adopt a different view. In the first place, I do not consider it either fair or accurate to imply that "dressing a cut finger" represents a typical case treated in the emergency room. My information is that, while there are some who are admitted suffering only minor injuries, a great many cases require special services such as x-ray and special examinations, which would ordinarily cost far more than the \$3.00 fee charged. The twenty-four hour emergency service is provided at the Victoria

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General at very considerable cost, and I need hardly point out that it is far from self—sustaining. I think also it is evident that if this service were not provided at the Victoria General and provision had to be made by the City itself for such cases, the cost would far exceed the sum of the emergency case fees charged by the Hospital. It may well be that the City of Halifax, by reason of the fact that it is a port City and the Capital of the Province, is in a position where a great number of emergency cases do arise, but it must be kept in mind that a similar service is not provided by the Province in any other City or Town in the Province."

As to (3), the hospitalization of D.P.'s, many if not all of these persons may acquire a settlement in Halifax due solely to the fact that one of the conditions imposed by the Dominion Government is that they enter into some service for one year. Clause (e) of section 18 of the Poor Relief Act provides that a person may obtain a settlement if he "has, for one year preceding application for relief lived within such poor district as a hired servant under an agreement to serve for not less than one year."

It is not unlikely that due to their background and the troublesome times which surrounded many of them
they may perhaps be more prone to illnesses. If this does
exist to any extent, I would think that any hospitalization
required should be provided at the expense of the Dominion
Government, which embarked upon the program, until at least
the expiration of five years from the date of arrival in the
country and thereafter until such persons obtain a settlement under the Poor Laws of the province in which they were
located.

(4) The hospitalization of prisoners is another serious burden. I do not refer to casual illnesses but to such diseases as diabetes and Venereal Disease.

One of the magistrates has given a decision in an action by the City to recover hospitalization charges from a prisoner that the City could not recover since it was obliged to "maintain" the prisoner while he was confined to jail and such maintenance included hospitalization. We have had several very costly diabetic cases and many of venereal disease. Several prisoners have virtually served their prison term in hospital.

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There is certainly something wrong with a situation under which a person suffering from such a disease and having been convicted of a crime can avoid the liability to pay for his hospitalization merely because it coincides with his prison term.

(5) As is well known the convalescent period for polio cases is long and this cost is also borne by the City. One such case has been on our hands since 1947 and the cost to the City is now over \$2000.00.

I point this matter out, not with the intention of suggesting that the cure from this affliction should be made dependent on the patient's ability to pay but in order to raise the issue as to which public body should bear the load.

(6) Many of the children in local orphanages and homes of correction have no settlement in Halifax and in some cases no settlement in the province, having been brought here from outside the province. I can see where the situation can be handled when the settlement is in Halifax or in some Nova Scotia municipality but where no such settlement is found in this province I can see no reason on the basis of equity, or other basis, why, because the "residence" of that child is in the City and because the institution is in the City, the City of Halifax is to be liable for hospitalization.

Finally, I would suggest that instructions be issued to those having the records in their possession to prepare a card record of all children who have been made wards of the Children's Aid Societies of the Province whose settlement is in this City. Some such record will enable a better check to be kept on our liabilities and we can follow these cases in the event of the settlement of these children changing from Halifax to another place.

I regret that this letter, of necessity, had to be so long, but the foregoing matters have been under consideration for a long time and it is well in my opinion to deal with them as soon as possible.

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CARL P. BETHUNE CITY SOLICITOR.

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# HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

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At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a letter was submitted from the City Solicitor respecting Hospital Accounts.

In view of the matters referred to in the report, your Committee recommends that His Worship the Mayor, Alderman Kitz and the City Solicitor be requested to interview the proper officials of the Provincial Government.

The City Solicitor's report is attached hereto and a copy of same has been placed on the desk of each member of the Council.

Your Committee commends the contents of this letter for your serious consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

The City Solicitor explained the contents of his letter for the benefit of the Council.

The motion was then put and passed.

# GRANT COMMUNITY CHEST

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the City Solicitor respecting a request of the Halifax Community Chest for a contribution from the City was considered.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature, enabling the City to pay the sum of \$5,000.00 to the Halifax Community Chest.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

The City Solicitor briefly explained to Council the contents of his letter.

Alderman Burgess to City Solicitor: "Would you estimate 25 or 30 percent to collect these accounts. Why not give it to a private Collection Agency. It is going to cost \$6,000.00 for salaries alone."

His Worship the Deputy Mayor: "A little while ago you gave the Commissioner of Finance authority to write off a large sum of uncollectible taxes. Why not have the services of a lawyer in this matter."

The City Collector stated that additional help would be required. He said that no writs were issued until his Department had made at least a half dozen attempts to collect. \*The only way we can get it is by the way suggested.\*

It was agreed that the recommendations contained in the report be dealt with separately.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the Bailiff be hired in accordance with the report of the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the services of a Solicitor be engaged for one year in connection with the collection of outstanding taxes at a salary of \$3,000.00 per annum.

The motion was put and passed ? voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

### FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Hosterman
Abbott
Adams
MacDonald
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### AGAINST IT

Alderman Kitz Walker Burgess Vaughan

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Hoved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Burgess, DeWolf, Hosterman, Kitz, MacDonald, Horiarty, Redmond, Vaughan and Walker.

# CITY COAT OF ARMS

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the City Solicitor respecting the Coat of Arms of the City was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved and the amendment to Ordinance # 1 as prepared by the City Solicitor, be read and passed a first time and referred to the Finance and Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE # 1

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

- 1. Section 6 of Ordinance Number 1 of the Ordinances of the City of Halifax respecting \*City Seal and Arms\* is repsaled and the following substituted therefor:
  - 6. (1) The arms of the City of Halifax shall be as follows:

\*Azure a crested kingfisher or. Crest: Out of a mural coronet or a sprig of mayflowers in bloom proper. Supporters: dexter, a deep sea fisherman with a codfish dependent from his exterior hand; sinister, a naval seaman, all proper.

Motto: E MARI MERCES.

(2) The foregoing heraldic description shall be interpreted as follows:

"A gold kingfisher on a blue shield surmounted by a golden mural crown issuing from which is a natural sprig of mayflowers in bloom. The shield is supported on its right (on the left as one faces it) by a deep sea fisherman with a codfish hanging from his right hand and on its left by a naval seamen of the period of adoption (circa 1860).

The motto is to be shown below on a ribbon or scroll as "E MARI MERCES", which may be freely translated as "Wealth from the Sea."

(3) The following directions shall be followed by any person rendering the arms of the City of Halifax:

while a certain degree of artistic latitude may be permitted any person in rendering the arms, strict adherence shall be given to placement and colouring where designated. The kingfisher shall be the created kingfisher (Ceryle Alcyon) and shall be readily recognizable as the North American Kingfisher rommon to this locality. The supporters shall be shown in the natural dress of the period of the original adoption of these Arms by the City of Halifax - about 1860. The supporters shall be shown standing (not walking) on a smount or hillock. The mural correspond or orown shall be shown resting upon the shield without any wreath and shall be shown with three courses of masonry surmounced by five battlements. The mayflower shall be shown as the trailing arbutus (Epigaea repens, Linn). The kingfisher shall occupy as much of the space within the shield as possible. The supporters shall be shown as manly and vigorous.

(4) In any case in which the Arms of the City are not rendered in colours, the colours hereinbefore defined shall be indicated as follows:

For blug; by fine lateral lines on the background of the shield;

For gold: by fine dots upon the kingfisher and the mural crown.

When colours are used yellow may be substituted for gold and any suitable shade of blue may be used where that colour is to be shown.

- (5) The Arms alone may be used, and the crest may be used alone. Where the complete armorial achievement is shown the crest and both supporters shall be used.
- (6) The Arms shall be used on official City notices, City stationary, City buildings, vehicles and other City property, badges and uniforms of officers in the employ of the City and in any other manner determined in the Countil for the purpose of indicating the authoraty, property or officials of the Corporation of the City of Halifax.
- (7) There shall be an official flag of the Gray.

  The flag shall be blue charged with a gild of yellow Eingthelian as defined in the Arms of the City. The kingflaher shall be shown facing the mast both on the obverse and reverse sides.
- (8) The flag may be flown on all chyke buildings, including public school buildings. The Mayor only shall have the right to fly the flag on a vehicle.
- (9) The flag and the Arms of the City as above defined as primarily a mark of the City.
- (10) The Arms and the flag may be used decoratively by any corporation or individual but shall not be reproduced for sale on any material without the license of the City.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the Amendment as set out above be read and passed a first time and referred to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

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# BELLEVUE PROPERTY

Ratifax, No 9., Opposes 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen: -

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Condition have on the above date letters from the Department of Highways and Public Works of the Province of Nova Stotis and the Mailville Celus graph and Telephone Company Limited respecting one as a of a portion of the Bellevue Property bordering on Queen Stress, which has already been approved by the City Council were localities as

Your Committee recommends that the City Sollators prepare an Agreement in accordance with the Leviers above referred to and that the Mayor and City Clerk be althorized to exerct easie or behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Algerman Adums

that the report be approved.

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RENTAL SPACE TO No S. L. & P. CO. . VINO

Halifax, N. S., O (ober 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee neld on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works respecting the rental of space in the City Hall to the Nova Scotta Light & Power Company Limited was considered and consumed in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, GITY CLERK.

October 11, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor,

Re: Nova Scotia Light and Power Cc. Ltd.
Operators Shelter - City Hall

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A letter has been received from the above company requesting permission to use as a shelter for a very limited number of their Trolley Coach operators only, a portion of the City Hall now occupied by Janitor's quarters under the stairs, on the Police Department floor.

The N. S. Light and Power Co. Ltd. are prepared to pay the cost of moving the Janitor to a place selected by the Chief of Police in sub basement and to pay all other costs of keeping the shelter clean and tidy. The matter was taken up with the Chief of Police and he finds that he could arrange for quarters for the Police Station floor janitor.

It is therefore recommended that the company's request be complied with and that a rental should be charged for the use of this space.

I would therefore suggest that this Committee set an amount of rental with the understanding that place be vacated within three months notice.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# CHANGES RECORDS FORUM COMMISSION

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Forum Commission respecting the Financial Report and recommendations made by Meusran Archibald Gurnham & Company respecting changes in the records to be kept by the Forum Commission was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the same be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

October 11, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

The following is an extract from Minutes of Meeting of the Halifax Forum Commission, which resolution was passed at said meeting held on the 6th day of October, A. D., 1949, and is now recommended to Council:

Report of the Halifax Forum prepared by Messrs. Archibald, Sarahan and Company dated September 23rd, 1949 be approved and the balance to

the Finance Committee for submission to Council together with the recommendations contained in the previous reports of Hessrs. Archibald, Gurnham and Company dated June 1st, 1949. That it be drawn to the attention of Council that the Halifax Forum Commission intends to operate its own bank accounts, and cheques drawn on these accounts will be signed by those from time to time appointed by the Halifax Forum Commission in accordance with the usual Banking practice and subject to the usual audit by the Internal Auditor of the City of Halifax."

Yours truly,

H. Nicholson, Secretary, Halifax Forum.

June 1, 1949.

Halifax Forum Commission, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Gentlemen:-

We submit hereunder our recommendations for a more efficient administration of the Commission records. Before proceeding to the details of the changes, which, in our opinion, are required, we would like to review, briefly, the present records.

The records consist of the Minute Book, a General Ledger, and Accounts Receivable Ledger, an Accounts Payable Ledger and a Synoptic Journal. The Minute Book needs no fundamental change. The General Ledger is well designed, and needs to be changed only by expansion in order to bring out more detailed information. The present arrangement lends itself very well to such expansion. The Accounts Receivable Ledger and the Accounts Payable Ledger are both sound, and, in our opinion, fully adequate.

The Synoptic Journal is a type of book of which we do not normally approve. It is however, sound in principle, and, as the bookkeeper is fully familiar with its operation, we are recommending that it be retained, but supplemented by a new Cash Book as outlined below.

Our detailed recommendations are as follows:

- (a) The Commission should, in our opinion, operate its own Bank Accounts. We would suggest that, if the present system of collecting monies on behalf of teams is to be continued, a separate Trust Account should be operated into which will be deposited all event receipts and out of which all event disbursements will be made, including payments to the Forum for use of the facilities and reimpayments to the Petty Cash Fund for items paid in cash at each event.
- (b) A separate Cash Book should, in our opinion, be maintained for purposes of recording complete receipts and disbursements of monies in the Trust Fund as set out in (a) above.
- (c) A separate section of the General Ledger should be set up to which should be posted the information contained in the Cash Book set out in (b) above.

- (d) The Synoptic Journal, as presently operated, should be retained with the necessary alterations to cover the operation by the Commission of its own Bank Accounts, and should record, as revenue, only the amounts actually received by the Commission for use of the Facilities.
- (e) The General Ledger should be divided into sections as set out in our Balance Sheet as at April 30, 1949, and should be extended to provide for the breakdown of accounts as set out both in our Balance Sheet and Operating Statements as at April 30, 1949.
- (f) Minutes should be signed by the Chairman of the Commission after having been approved by a subsequent Meeting, and should contain full details of all accounts passed for payment.

These changes in the records are not of a major nature and should be relatively simple to put into effect. It is our opinion, that, if they are implemented, the records of the Commission should be fully satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,

Archibald, Gurnham and Company, CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## RENTAL SPACE FORUM COMMISSION

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen: -

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date it was decided in order to provide for a more efficient administration of the former Exhibition property that the Forum Commission be given authority to rent any portion of this property and that an agreement be prepared between the City and the Forum Commission setting out the terms and conditions upon which this authority is to be given.

Your Committee wishes to point out that in the legislation setting up the Forum Commission, this Commission was given power to operate and manage the entire property formerly constituting the Provincial Exhibition.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved.

Alderman DeWolf: "The management of the different portions of the property is under different people. The grandstand has been

operated by the Department of Veteran's Affairs. The lease ran out and no payments are being made and nobody has any special authority to renew it. We would like to have it. We feel it will get better attention. I looked into the matter of Insurance and I find that the Administration Building worth \$500,000.00 has no insurance on it at all. It does not seem to me to be good business. That is why we want to bring it under our control and management.

Alderman Vaughan: "Are the Emergency Shelters going to be rented to the City?"

Alderman DeWolf: "I would suggest that the Forum Commission pay whatever the debt charges are for carrying that property and the Emergency Shelter repay the Forum Commission for that expense."

Alderman DeWolf made it clear to Council that there were no reflections being cast upon the former Commission.

Motion passed.

## RESOLUTION SALE OF LAND HARRY HAMMOND

Halifax, N. S., October 11, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached resolution respecting the sale of land to Mr. Harry Hammond was considered.

It is recommended that the resolution be passed and forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs, for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

#### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S., October 6, 1949.

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

Gentlemen: -

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

Mr. Percy L. Bentley C. A. Pryce

\$ 435.00 250.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## DISPOSITION TRUCK FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S., October 6, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date a letter from the City Electrician requesting authority to dispose of the 1945 Fargo Truck, formerly used by the Fire Alarm Telegraph Department, either by advertisement or public auction was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the authority requested be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Aldermar. Abbott that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### FINGER PRINTING COURSE

Halifax, N. S., October 6, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above

date a letter was submitted from the Chief of Police requesting permission to send Detective Michael Murphy to the R. C. M. Police School at Ottawa for a fingerprinting course.

Your committee recommends that the request be granted; funds to be provided by the current estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### SALARIES

Halifax, N. S., October 6, 1949.

To His Worship the Mayor and Nembers of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, letters were submitted from the Chief of the Fire Department recommending the following Salary increases:

- (1) That Mr. Edward LaPierre, Motor Mechanic, be granted an increase of \$200.00 effective as of October 1, 1949.
- (2) That G. H. Brundidge, Capt. Inspector of the Fire Prevention Bureau be granted an increase of \$200.00 effective as of October 1, 1949.

Your Committee concurs in these recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## ASSISTANT INSPECTOR OF LICENSES

Halifax, N. S., October 6, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date a letter was submitted from the Chief of Police in connection with the appointment of Constable Austin as Acting Assistant Inspector of Licenses.

The Chief felt that at the present time the appointment was not necessary and that the License Department was functioning properly.

After a brief discussion it was agreed to recommend that Constable Austin be appointed Acting Assistant Inspector of Licenses until such time as legislation is secured at the next session of the Legislature ratifying this appointment.

Alderman Adams dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved.

Alderman Walker: "Why this?"

His Worship the Deputy Mayor: "Constable Austin lacked authority to carry out his duties."

Alderman Walker: "Will that give him any more authority?"

Alderman Walker then read from Ordinance #13 and requested
that it be explained to him why this matter was done over the head

of the Chief of Police.

The City Solicitor explained the set-up as contained in the Ordinance and stated that the Chief of Police had nothing to do with the License Department.

The Chief of Police stated that he was away and could not defend his report on the matter. "It is a Department established within a Department. If this goes through I will have no control over them. They are good men and have been very obedient."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the matter be referred back to the Safety Committee for further consideration. Amendment passed.

#### ADDITIONAL MAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S., October 6, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above

date a letter from the Chief of Police requesting that the Police Department be increased by one additional man for the purpose of checking the parking meters for violations was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved and the personnel of the Police Department be increased from 124 to 125. Motion passed.

Alderman MacDonald: "What is the approximate cost of maintenance of the meters already installed?"

Mr. Bellew: "We haven't had them long enough yet. The only cost to the Finance Department is one sub-collector."

#### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S., October 3, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment.

#### CITY HOME

Gutta Percha & Rubber Ltd.	\$ 216.00
Howard's Limited J. A. Leaman & Company Ltd.	748.70 1,240.68
Robin Hood Flour Milis Ltd.	435.75 412.61
J. & M. Murphy Limited R. B. Colwell Limited	245.19
Union Coal Company Limited	4,421.02

## TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Miss Jean Rowley, R. N. Victor X-Ray Corp. of Can. Ltd. Parks-Davis & Company Ltd. J. A. Leaman & Co. Limited	\$ 79.35 447.82 466.73 1,570.46
J. A. Leaman & Co. Limited Cogswell's Howard's Limited	366.80 796.13

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### TENDERS FOR GROCERIES

Halifax, N. S., October 13, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date tenders for the supply of Groceries to the Tuberculosis and Communicable Diseases Hospitals for a period of six months were submitted from Howard's Limited and John Tobic. and Company Limited.

Your Committee recommends that the lower tender be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved.

Motion passed.

#### CONVENTION A. P. H. A.

Halifax, N. S., October 3, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a letter was submitted from the Commissioner of Health requesting permission to attend the American Public Health Association meeting, which is being held in New York, October 24 to 28, 1949, inclusive and that he be granted the sum of \$300.00 to cover expenses in connection therewith was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### SALARIES

Halifax, N. S., October 3, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a letter from the Commissioner of Health recommending that Miss Kaye McDonald and Mrs. Margaret Kerr be granted an increase of \$5.00 per month effective as of October 1, 1949 and that they also receive an additional automatic increase May 1st, 1950 was considered.

Your Committee concurs in these recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved.

Noved in amendment by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be referred back to the Public Health and Welfare Committee for further consideration. Amendment passed.

#### FEES ANESTHESIA DOCTORS

Halifax, N. S., October 3, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date, a letter was submitted from the Commissioner of Health respecting the fees to be paid to Anesthesia Doctors Ralph Ballem and Cyril Kincaide, who will be working at the Tuberculosis Hospital.

Your Committee recommends that the fees mentioned in the letter of the Commissioner of Health viz: \$15.00 an operation or \$25.00 per morning, be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Abbott that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### SALE OF HOT WATER BOILERS

October 11, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on Friday, October 7, an offer was received from A. S. Lee, Plumbing and Heating Contractor of Halifax in the amount of \$200.00 for 2 hot water boilers presently situated at Glacis Barracks and not in use.

It was agreed to recommend to Council that the offer of Mr. Lee in the amount of \$200.00 be accepted.

Yours truly,

W. J. Clancey, Secretary, HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved.

Motion passed.

#### SALE OF TOILETS

October 11, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen,

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on Friday, October 7, a request was received from Rev. W. S. Dunlep, Rector of St. Philip's Church, Halifax for 2 toilets which were salwaged from 2 buildings demolished at Chebucto Court.

It was agreed to recommend to Council the sale of 2 toilsts to St. Philip's Church for the sum of \$10.00 each.

Yours truly,

W. J. Clancey,
Secretary,
HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### BALARY AND COST OF LIVING BONUS

Alderman DeWolf stated that when a person is employed by the City at a certain salary there is also the cost of living bonus to be considered. If he were single he received \$108.00 and if married \$180.00.

He felt the full amount of remuneration should be stated when the person is engaged. He suggested that the salary be made large enough to cover the cost of living bonus.

Alderman Hosterman felt that the two should be kept separate as he visioned the time when the bonus would be dropped.

Alderman Vaughan stated that the bonus was incorporated into the salary for all Civil Servants and he felt that the same treat-ment should be given to civic employees as he said the cost of living would remain at its present level for a long time to come.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for a full discussion as to the general resolution of Council respecting the cost of living bonus. Motion passed.

#### CLAREMONT STREET

Alderman Burgess stated that all lots on Claremont St. had been sold and that the people wanted it taken over as a City Street.

Mr. MacKinnon was requested to look after this matter.

## OPTION 787 PREFABRICATED HOUSES

Alderman Kitz wanted to know if steps were being taken to see that the option on the 787 prefabricated houses did not lapse.

His Worship the Deputy Mayor stated that His Worship the Mayor was in Ottawa and that matter was one he was discussing with the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation officials.

Mr. McManus stated that the Mayor was familiar with the dead-

#### LIGHTS WINDSOR STREET

Alderman Burgess requested street lights on Windsor Street between Young Street and Kempt Road.

Mr. MacKinnon was requested to look into this matter.

#### FORUM STAFF

Alderman Burgess requested to be furnished with a list of the staff and their salaries at the Forum.

Alderman DeWolf stated that the information could be made available and that the only staff employed was that as authorized by Council.

#### TREE PLANTING

Alderman Kitz wanted to know if the tree list as passed at the last regular meeting of the City Council would be planted this fall to which Mr. MacKinnon replied that he imagined all would be planted this fall.

#### LETTER TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

His Worship the Deputy Mayor stated that he had in his possession a letter from the above Council respecting heavy trucks operating on City streets and suggested that same be handed to Mr. MacKinnon for a report in time for the next meeting of the Committee on Works.

This was agreed to by Council.

#### ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

October 13, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

The following accounts amounting to more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00) were considered by the Committee on Works meeting on Oct. 11, 1949 and were recommended to Council for payment.

Standard Paving Maritimes Ltd \$	2096.26
T. Eaton Co. Ltd.	1483.36
R. S. Allen	720.25
Dominion Building Materials Ltd	5660.60
Flemming Bros.	3888.37
Milton Hersey Co. Ltd.	1259.18
Imperial Oil Limited	2673.02

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

r W. G. Todd.

Noved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### ACCOUNT R. S. ALLEN

September 30, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached account of R. S. Allen, amounting to \$418.80 was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on September 27th, 1949.

The account covers the supplying of material and the grading around the new canteen at Point Pleasant Park.

The Committee approved the account, and decided to forward the same to City Council with the recommendation it be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### FINAL CERTIFICATE FUNDY CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

September 29, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached Certificate recommending payment to the Fundy Construction Company, Limited of the sum of \$1,680.00, being final payment due them in connection with the rehabilitation of the Forum Annex, was considered by the Committee on Works meeting on September 27th, 1949.

The Committee approved the Certificate and recommended to Council that the same be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### ILLUMINATED SIGNS

Reports were submitted from the Committee on Works recommending that permits be granted for the following Illuminated Signs:

Auto Parts Co.	15 Brunswick St.
Andrews Real Estate	147 Maynard St.
Mayfair Beauty Parlor	55 Birmingham St.
Canada Permanent Mortgage	436 Barrington St.
Pilcher's Nursery	216 Gottingen St.
Imperial Tobacco	654 Quinpool Road.
Rubin's Men's & Boys Wear	270 Quinpool Road.
Glendale Hotel	162 Hollis St.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the permits be granted. Motion passed.

#### CONCRETE SIDEWALKS, ETC.

September 29, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached reports of the Commissioner of Works re construction of concrete sidewalks, curb and gutter, etc., were considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on September 27th, 1949.

The Committee approved the reports, and decided to recommend the same to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

September 26, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

A petition signed by four residents on the east side of High Street, between Alma and Leeds Streets, has been received requesting construction of concrete curb and gutter, and sidewalk, etc.

The length of the block is approximately four hundred and eighty-five (485) feet, the estimated cost \$2,182.50 and the estimated assessment \$1,592.50.

The petition also requests that this work be done while the Contractor is in the vicinity, as they are laying sidewalks at the present time on Leeds Street.

It is recommended that this street be placed on the order sheet.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works.

September 26, 1949.

#### SIDEWALK - CURB AND GUTTER. PETITION - FOURTH STREET.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

A request has been received for the construction of sidewalk, curb and gutter on both sides of Fourth Street, between Armcrescent East and the end of the present walk from Newton Avenue.

The distance of this sidewalk is one hundred (1001) feet, the estimated cost for both sides \$750.00, and the estimated assessment \$350.00.

It is therefore recommended that this work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

September 27th, 1949.

## PETITION CURB & GUTTER - FIRST STREET.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

A request has been received for the construction of curb and gutter on the north side of First Street, between Armcrescent East and the end of the present walk from Newton Avenue.

The distance of this curb and gutter is one hundred (1001) feet, the estimated cost \$220.00, and the estimated assessment \$110.00.

It is therefore recommended that this work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## SIDEWALK, CURB AND GUTTER E/S CONNAUGHT AVENUE

September 23, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the Commissioner of Works re petitions for Concrete Sidewalks, Curb and Gutter, etc. on the east side of Connaught Avenue between Bayers Road and Chebucto Road was considered at a meeting of the Committee on Works held on September 20th, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and agreed to recommend same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

September 19, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

A petition has been received from property owners on the east side of Connaught Ave. between Bayers Road and Chebucto Road asking for construction of sidewalk, curb and gutter on Connaught Avenue.

At present the construction of Curb and Gutter is being done on the west side, so it follows that this same work should be done on the east side, including sidewalk, as this side of the street will be used more extensively by pedestrians than the west side on account of the lay-out of the different streets.

The total distance between Bayers Road and Chebucto Road is approximately 2500 ft. the length of curb, gutter and sidwalk is 2400 ft. and the estimated cost is \$17,000. The amount assessable against the property owners is \$7,500.00 approximately.

I recommend that this work be placed on the agenda to be constructed in its turn when funds are available.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Dewolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### DEMOLITION RETAINING WALL BRUNSWICK ST. EXTENSION

September 30, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the Commissioner of Works re demolition of a retaining wall on the southern end of Brunswick Street, was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on September 27th, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and decided to recommend same to City Council. Funds to provide for this work to be taken from the Street Widening Account.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

September 26, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In order that we may grade the southern end of Brunswick Street, between Sackville and Doyle Streets, it is recommended that we proceed immediately to demolish the retaining wall around this property and excavate the street to a fifty (50) foot width, before winter sets in.

The estimated cost for the above work is \$4,100.00.

It is therefore recommended that this work be done.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## SEWER EXTENSION BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION

September 29, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the Commissioner of Works re sewer extension on Brunswick Street Extension, was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on September 27th, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and decided to recommend the same to the City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

September 27, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

Before construction of permanent paving on Brunswick Street Extension, from Sackville Street to Spring Garden Road, it will be necessary to lay a sewer line in order to care for some underground drains and surface catchbasins.

The length of this block is approximately five hundred (5001) feet, and the estimated cost \$4,000.00.

It is recommended that a sewer be ordered and same be placed on the order paper.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### SPRINKLER SYSTEM TOWN CLOCK

September 30, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached reports of the Commissioner of Works and the Chief of the Fire Department, re installation of a sprinkler system for the Town Clock building, were considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on September 27th, 1949.

The Committee decided to refer the reports to the City Council for their consideration without recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

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Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Burgess

that the matter be deferred.

Motion passed.

#### STREET PAVING PROGRAM 1949-50

October 12, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached reports of the Commissioner of Works re paving program for 1949-1950 were considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 11th, 1949.

The Committee approved the reports and decided to recommend same to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

October 4, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor.

#### Re: 1950 Paving Program

Sir:

The other day I had a call from the Public Service Commission stating that they were just about through with Service renewals for the Season and asked to be informed if there were any streets to be made ready for next year's paving.

In August last a report was submitted suggesting\_about 17 or 18 streets that should be given attention next year. The estimated cost of these streets was approximately \$500,000. and a good number of them were on the Trolley Coach routes and were suggested by the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co. Ltd. in their letter of September 15th.

I would therefore recommend that the Board take some action in regard to the 1950 Paving Program so that some of the underground work may be undertaken this Fall. Should this be done then when the Season opens in 1950, some of the streets will be ready for paving and work will not be held up.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

## PROPOSED 1950 PAVING PROGRAM

Almon St. Agricola St. Agricola St.

Buckingham St. Barrington St.

- Agricola St. to Windsor St. Cunard St. to Almon St. Duffus St. to Hillside.
- Hollis St. to Brunswick St. Shipyards to Ross St.

Brunswick St.

- Cogswell to Buckingham St. and including the intersection of Cogswell and Brunswick Sts.

Cogswell St. Cornwallis St. Cunard St.

- Gottingen St. to North Park St. Barrington to Brunswick St. Gottingen to Agricola St.

Granville St.

- Gottingen to Buckingham

James St.

Oxford St.

- North St. to Almon.

Quinpool Road

- Willow Tree to Oxford.

Roberts St.

Spring Garden Road

- Barrington to Queen St.

Water St.

- Terminal Road to North of Cornwallis.

Windsor St.

- Young St. to Duffus St.

October 11, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:

#### Re 1949 Paving Program

The 1949 paving program is now drawing to a close and nearly all the work ordered last May has now been completed with the exception of the following:

Brenton St. - Brenton Place Morris St. - Boulevarding

It has been thought that Morris Street could be put over until next year since it is only boulevarding and that since Brenton Street has a clay sub-soil that it is advisable not to pave this street this year, but to allow further settlement so that it may be done next Spring.

It might be mentioned that Brenton Street has been very carefully considered, not only by myself but by others and it is the general opinion that it should not be attempted to pave this street this Fall.

By omitting the above mentioned streets, it will leave an amount of about \$18,000.00.

On September 15th, a letter was received from the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co. Ltd. stating that the work done to date on the Trolley Coach routes was greatly appreciated, but they urge that the City continue to do portions of other streets and intersections which have been found very rough for Trolley Coach operation. It would be impossible with the amount of money available to do the intersections as suggested by the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co. Ltd., but some of the worst could be done which would include the following:

Almon St. Cornwallis St.
Buckingham St. George St. Windsor St. Gottingen St. Young St.

- at Robie St. - Barrington to Gottingen St. - Granville to Argyle St. - Granville to Barrington St. Spring Garden Road - Barrington to Queen St. Quinpool Road - at Oxford St. - at Quinpool Road. - at North St.

- at Kempt Road.

It is recommended that the last named streets and intersections be ordered done this Fall, or as much of them as there is money available.

<u>Water Street</u> both Upper and Lower, has been prepared for patching this Fall. The Public Service Commission have renewed a great many of the services and completed all underground work. The Paving Contractor started yesterday to patch the street so as to make it a far better thoroughfare. In the meantime, a plan is being prepared of Water Street showing where it might be possible to cut down the sidewalks and widen the roadway. When this plan is completed a further report will be submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan Motion passed. that the report be approved.

Alderman Kitz wanted to know if any temporary surface would be laid on Blink Bonnie Terrace where sidewalk, curb and gutter was laid to which Mr. MacKinnon stated \*not this fall. \*

#### GRADING ETC. RAILWAY SIDING CITY DUMP

October 12, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the Public Service Commission re construction of railway siding on the former City Dump property was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 11, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and agreed to recommend same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

W. G. Todd. Per

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October 13, 1949.
October 11th, 1949.

Mr. R. M. MacKinnon,
The Commissioner of Works,
and
Mr. M. L. Bellew,
The Commissioner of Finance,
City Hall,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Gentlemen:-

As I understand there is a meeting of the Board of Works this afternoon I am submitting to you the following for approval in connection with the grading of the right-of-way for the rail-way siding at the dump property and the grading of the lot which is being transferred from the City to the Public Service Commission. This is an approximate estimate and covers the purchase of land from Hogan, the cost of the materials for the siding for which the Public Service Commission has to pay the Canadian National Railways, the necessary fill for bringing the lower parts to grade, plus the levelling off of the whole area by bulldozer. Our preliminary estimate totals \$16,000.

The Public Service Commission has already approved this work and the City Council has approved the plan of the siding as submitted by the Canadian National Railway, said plan being signed by the Mayor and the City Clerk on September 15th, 1949. We have also had a verbal approval of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities.

I would ask you therefore to submit this matter to the Board of Works meeting this afternoon so that it can be dealt with and submitted to Council for approval on Thursday night, the 13th. No borrowing will be necessary. We are most anxious to get the approval through promptly so that we can get the siding in and all grading done before the bad weather of the fall sets in. Your prompt attention to this matter will be appreciated.

Yours very truly,

Ira P. Macnab, General Manager.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## DEED TO MR. DONALD GRAVES LOT #7 CITY DUMP

October 12, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the City Solicitor re delivery of deed to Donald E. Graves for land on the former City Dump property was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 11, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and decided to forward

same to City Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

October 11, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Works Committee.

Gentlemen:-

On the 14th day of July, 1949 City Council sold to Donald E. Graves Lot ? of the City Dump on the condition that no deed was to be given until ten percent of the cost of the building had been expended. I am informed by the Commissioner of Works the building has been totally completed and Mr. Graves is now requesting his deed.

Would you, therefore, please recommend to Council that the deed be delivered to Mr. Graves.

Yours truly,

Carl P. Bethune, CITY SOLICITOR.

Per T. C. Doyle.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### WATER EXTENSIONS

October 12, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The following applications for the extension of water service were considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 11, 1949.

Basinview Drive
Kempt Road
Leeds St. from Rosemeade Ave.
to Highland Avenue
Leeds St. to Warden St.
MacLean St.
Brunswick St. Extension
Leeds St. from Leaman westwardly

The Committee approved the applications and decided to recommend same to City Council inasmuch as no borrowing will be necessary and the City will not be asked to guarantee any deficits.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.
Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### TREE PLANTING

October 1, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the Commissioner of Works re tree planting was considered at a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 11, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

October 11th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor,

Re: Tree Planting - Murray Place and Tupper Grove

Sir:-

Murray Place: A petition was received signed by nearly all the property owners on Murray Place requesting that trees be planted on both sides of this street which runs between Carteret St. and Studley Avenue. It is estimated that 22 trees would be required at an estimated cost of \$88.00.

Tupper Grove: A request was received to have trees planted on Tupper Grove. The estimated number for both sides is 31 and the estimated cost \$124.00.

It is recommended that these trees be ordered and if possible, be included for planting this Fall.

Yours very truly,

R. M. MacKinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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#### TENDERS FOR TRUCKS AND AIR COMPRESSOR

October 13, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the Commissioner of Works re purchase of additional equipment for the Works Department was considered on the above date by the Committee on Works.

Tenders were called for two three-ton trucks, one one-ton truck and one air compressor by advertisements inserted in the Halifax newspapers. The tenders were opened at a meeting of the Committee held on October 11, 1949 and referred to the Commissioner of Works for report.

The Committee approved the report and decided to recommend to Council that two three-ton trucks, International, be purchased from Trainor Auto Service Limited at \$7,129.40, one one-ton truck from Universal Sales at \$1,738.68 and one air compressor from the Industrial Machinery Company Limited at \$3,572.00. Funds to provide for the same to be taken from approved capital borrowings.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

October 13, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor.

Dear Sir:-

Tenders for Motor equipment -

2 3 ton Trucks 1 1 ton Truck 1 Compressor

were opened at the Committee on Works last Tuesday and referred to me for a recommendation.

After considering and discussing the matter with fellow officials of the Works Department I have decided to recommend to your Committee that we purchase 2-3 ton International from the Trainor Auto Service Limited at \$7,129.40, 1 - 1 ton Truck at \$1,738.68 from Universal Sales, 1 Compressor from the Industrial Machinery at \$3,572.00.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. Mackinnon, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE # 41

Halifax, October 6, 1949.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

I now enclose for the records of the City copy of Ordinance number 41 respecting the Halifax Housing Authority on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Beazley, Deputy Minister.

#### FILED

#### APPROVAL SALE OF LAND EASTERN EQUIPMENT LTD.

Halifax, October 3, 1949.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

I now enclose for your records copy of resolution of the City Council respecting the sale of land on Dutch Village Road which was passed by the Council on September 15, 1949 and on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

I also enclose copy of the plan showing the land in question which was sent to us in your letter of September 17th.

Yours very truly,

C. L. Beazley, Deputy Minister.

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October 13, 1949.

## TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 1949

Civic Year	Reserves	o/s Bal. Aug. 31/49.	New Accounts & Adjustments	September Collections	o/s Bal. Sept. 30/49.
1946 1947 1948 1949	38,522.40 48,785.20 59,819.02 70,000.00	15,435.62 Cr 91,556.10 Cr 217,671.68 Cr 759,629.82 Cr 1084,293.22 Cr	138.90 1. 4,157.66 1. 6,909.14	811.80 7,561.52 10,411.86 173,273.39	14,577.85 83,855.68 203,102.16 579,447.29 880,982.98
Poll Ta 1943-44 1944-45 1949	<b>,</b>	23,030.68 3,961.58 52,644.36		27.50 26.00 38.141.93	23,003.18 3,935.58 14,502.43
Additio	nal Collec	tions:		1949	1948
Arrears 1925-26 to 1945 Corresponding Period Last Year Collections Per Statement above Corresponding Period Last Year		309.32 192,058.57	3,474.70 149,378.52		
				192,367.89	152,853.22
		Tax Jan. 1 to	Sept. 30/49	79,783.13	78,652.47

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald, Chief Accountant.

FILED

## **APPROPRIATIONS**

# AS AT SEPTEMBER 30/49.

## TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

The following is the state of Civic Appropriations on the above date after deducting unpaid Orders.

APPROPRIATIONS	LEDGER BALANCE	UNPAID ORDERS	BAL.LESS UNPAID ORDERS.
City Home Fleming Park Public Gardens Pt. Pleasant Park Library T. B. Hospital Inf. Disease Hospital Public Health Welfare Department City Prison Works, Salaries & Bonus Streets Office Supplies Town Planning Cleaning Paved Streets Internal Health Sewer Maintenance Snow Removal St. Lighting Traffic Lights Wir. Inspection Market Public Baths City Property Fuel	##, 245.55 2,639.83 8,921.03 3,809.75 2,428.93 75,553.57 21,651.83 36,996.47 9,028.57 86,678.30 12,324.09 13,501.31 8,878.60 12,324.09 13,501.31 8,878.60 186.03 3,765.19 19,018.57 48,397.91 8,170.50 24,916.01 30,291.59 428.52 1,146.48 813.09 Dr. 2,532.60	\$ 2,846.36 98.10 467.21 3.85 4,296.26 355.44 452.80 482.00 4,704.82 152.49 25.00 561.91 3,931.05 425.42 1,469.07 592.60 223.15 491.86 612.49	UNPAID ORDERS.
Insurance City Hall Light Telephones Recreation Committee Fire Department Fire Alarm Fairview Cemetery Printing & Stationery	2,399.94 1,025.51 1,969.48 202.47 87,643.50 7,569.31 4,095.71 372.78	663.05 771.37 358.40	2,399.94 1,025.51 1,969.48 460.58Dr. 87,643.50 7,569.31 3,324.34 14.38

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald, Chief Accountant.

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Burgess that this meeting do now adjourn. Hotion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

10:40 P. M.

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J. H. Breen, DEPUTY MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

W. P. PUBLICOVER, CITY CLERK.

> Jordon Stirley Mayor.

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY NOVEMBER 17, 1949

#### AGENDA

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Report Fin. & Exec. Comm. re Accounts Special Items.
                               Appointment of Coal Weighers.
                               Advance Halifax Welfare Bureau.
                               Ordinance # 1 (Second Reading).
                               Retiring Allowances Mrs. Mary Thompson &
                                                    Mrs. Ellen Murphy.
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                               Moving Poles Lighted Softball Diamond.
                               Acquisition of Land Brunswick St. Extension.
                               Purchase of #119 Cunard Street.
                               Cancellation Sewer Assessment Churchill Drive.
                               Lease of space City Market Building.
Appointment of Appraisers Watershed Properties.
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                               Cattle Shed Forum Property.
                               Re-organization Works Department.
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Land Assembly.
Report Public Health & Welfare Comm. re Accounts over $200.00.
                                          Tenders for Vegetables.
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                                          Tenders Removing Gutters etc.
                                              T. B. Hospital.
                                          Purchase of Mattresses.
                                          Contract for Oxygen.
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                                          Welfare Department.
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Report Safety Committee re Accounts over $200.00.
                             Purchase of Helmets.
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                             Damage to Police Car.
                             Tenders for Old Truck F. A. T. Department.
Report Housing Accommodation Committee re Accounts over $200.00.
                                            Wellington Court.
Questions.
Report Committee on Works re Accounts over $500.00.
                               Final Certificates.
                               Damage to Traffic Signal Light.
                               Illuminated Signs.
                               Street Light Improvements.
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Building Permit.
Approach to City.

Report Committee on Works re Tenders for Lowbed Trailer.

Wireman's License.

Tenders for Salt.

Report Fin. & Exec. Comm. re Purchase of Parking Meters.
Report Bicentenary Committee re Grants etc.
Letter Housing Authority re Slum Clearance.
Letter Hfx. District Trades & Labor Council re Librarian.
Report Chief Accountant re Tax Collections Nonth of October.
Appropriations.

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., November 17, 1949, 8:00 P. N.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman
and before considering the regular order of business the members
of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in repeating
the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman;
Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

The meeting was called to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

The following papers were submitted.

#### MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

#### ACCOUNTS

A resolution covering the accounts of the various Committees was submitted as follows:

RESOLVED that this Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the FINANCE AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE amounting to \$90,595.14; the COMMITTEE ON SAFETY amounting to \$1,772.75 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$27,289.28 chargeable to Fire Department; \$24,962.09 chargeable to Police Department; the COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE amounting to \$49,400.55 chargeable to Health Dept.; \$10,618.91 chargeable to City Home and \$3,725.72 chargeable to City Prison; the COMMITTEE ON WORKS amounting to \$37,160.45; the DIRECTORS OF POINT PLEASANT PARK amounting to \$1,063.02; and the HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE amounting to \$3,712.74 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

November 17, 1949.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

#### SPECIAL ACCOUNTS

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment.

American Library Association	\$ 4.00
Canadian "	12.00
The Toronto Star Limited	39.96
The Montreal Star Company Ltd.	41.44
T. B. & J. C. Acker (Matthews)	40.00
The J. F. Hartz & Co. Ltd. (Matthews)	3.50
Victoria General Hospital (Currie)	27.00
# # (Jollimore)	3.00
Ian F. James	200.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### APPOINTMENT OF COAL WEIGHERS

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that the following persons be appointed Coal Weighers.

Mr. Charles Augustus Leverman for A. T. O'Leary & Co. Ltd.

Mr. Robert Douglas Dryden, for S. Cunard & Co. Ltd.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

November 17, 1949.

#### ADVANCE HALIFAX WELFARE BUREAU

Halifax, N. 8., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare recommending that an advance of \$5,000.00 be made to the Halifax Welfare Bureau was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### AMENDMENT ORDINANCE # 1 SECOND READING

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached amendment to Ordinance #1 respecting the City Seal and Arms, which was read and passed a first time at the last regular meeting of the City Council was considered.

Your Committee recommends that this amendment be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Department of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

#### AMENDMENT

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the amendment to Ordinance # 1 as set out on pages 676 to 678 inclusive of the Council minutes under date of October 13, 1949, be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval. Motion passed.

# RETIRING ALLOWANCES MRS. MARY THOMPSON AND MRS. ELLEN MURPHY

Halifax, N. 8., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Public Health and Welfare Committee respecting a retiring allowance for Mrs. Mary Thompson and Mrs. Ellen Murphy, employees of the City Home, who are unable to continue work was considered.

Your Committee recommends that legislation be obtained at the next session of the Legislature enabling the City to pay these two employees the sum of \$50.00 each, per month, until such time as they are elligible to receive old age pensions and that this amount be reduced by the amount they will receive from this source and that until such time as the legislation is obtained, they be paid from the City Home Estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATIONS

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date it was agreed to recommend that Supplementary Appropriations be provided under the authority of Section 316 C of the City Charter as follows:

Works Department

\$ 12,750.00

Recreation Committee

3,858.35

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

November 17, 1949.

#### MOVING POLES LIGHTED DIAMOND

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works respecting the moving of the poles on the lighted softball diamond on the North Commons was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

October 28, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Nembers of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works meeting on October 25th, 1949, considered a report from the Recreation Committee in connection with the moving of the poles on the lighted softball diamond, on the North Commons, to a new location in the centre of the playground area.

This matter has already been considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at their last regular meeting, at which time the matter was deferred until the Commissioner of Works had time to prepare an estimate of the amount required.

On October 25th, 1949 the Recreation Committee decided to request the Committee on Works to have the poles moved before the frost enters the ground. It was agreed that the filling and levelling of the new location could be left until a later date.

This same Committee asked that an amount of \$1,500.00 be made available to change the location of the poles.

The Committee on Works decided to recommend to the Finance Committee that the sum of \$1,500.00 be made available to move the poles to a new location and funds for the same be provided under Section 316 C of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

Alderman Walker: "The proper place for the diamond is up at the Exhibition Grounds."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Walker that the poles

remain where they are until a place is found for them.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

The motion was then put and passed with Alderman Walker wishing to be recorded against.

#### ACQUISITION OF LAND BRUNSWICK ST. EXTENSION

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Committee on Works respecting the acquisition of land at the southwest corner of Sackville Street at Brunswick Street extension was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 3, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

Dear Sirs:

The attached report re acquisition of land at the southwest corner of Backville St. at Brunswick St. Extension was considered at a Committee on Works meeting held on November 1st, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and decided to forward same to the Finance and Executive Committee for their consideration and recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

October 31, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor,

Bir: Re: Acquisition of land southwest corner of Sackville St. and Brunswick St. Extension

It has been found that a decided improvement may be made by rounding off the corner on the southern side of Sackville St. and the western side of Brunswick St. Extension, as shown on the attached plan NN-6-10935.

The local Army Headquarters have been contacted and are prepared to recommend that this land be transferred to the City

of Halifax without charge, provided that when the new retaining wall is erected, the Army be permitted to continue their fencing similar to that already on Sackville St., and furthermore, in connection with the new sewer which the City is installing, the Army are permitted to connect into it.

I would further recommend that the City obtain a transfer of land required.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### PURCHASE OF # 119 CUNARD STREET

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that the City purchase the premises No. 119 Cunard Street from Walter A. Andrews for the sum of \$3,300.00 was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that the Housing Accommodation Committee be requested to manage the property for the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 15th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen: -

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The attached report of the City Solicitor and correspondence in connection thereto re #119 Cunard Street, was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 14th, 1949.

The Committee approved the report of the City Solicitor and decided to recommend to the Finance and Executive Committee that the City purchase the premises #119 Cunard Street from Walter A. Andrews, for the sum of \$3,300.00.

This property is required in connection with the widening of Cunard Street, between Robie and Windsor Streets.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK. Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

#### CANCELLATION SEWER ASSESSMENT CHURCHILL DRIVE

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works respecting cancellation of sewer assessment on the Walter Raine property Churchill Drive was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 15th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Sirs:

The attached report of the Commissioner of Works re cancellation of Sewer Assessment on Churchill Drive, in respect of land owned by Walter Raine, was considered by the Committee on Works meeting on November 14th, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and decided to forward the same to the Finance & Executive Committee for their consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

November 14, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:

Legislation was obtained giving the City authority to

write off and cancel the assessment made for Sewer Extension in respect of land owned by Walter Raine, situated on the northwest corner of Churchill Drive and Philip Street, amounting to \$131.25, and also the interest thereon.

This relief of assessment is recommended by reason that Mr. Raine bought the small corner lot from the City of Halifax, with the understanding that he could not build upon this lot, but could merely add a small addition to his house which adjoins to the northward of the corner lot in question.

The sewer was laid on Churchill Drive and consequently assessed but it was felt by a previous meeting of the City Council that legislation be secured to exempt Mr. Raine from the above mentioned sewer charge, since the land is restricted for building.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# LEASE OF SPACE CITY MARKET BUILDING

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that portions of the City Market building be leased to Purdy Motors Limited, was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 10, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works meeting on November 8th, 1949 considered applications from Purdy Motors Limited and Citadel Motors Limited, to lease space in the City Market Building, which was formerly occupied by Crane's Limited.

The Committee decided to recommend to the Finance & Executive Committee that space 50° x 40° be leased to Citadel Motors Limited for the sum of \$75.00 per month, and that a space 69° x 40° be leased to Purdy Motors Limited at a rental of \$87.50 per month; both leases to be on a month to month basis.

It was further requested that the City Solicitor prepare

the necessary leases in connection with the same.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### APPOINTMENT APPRAISERS WATERSHED PROPERTIES

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works respecting the appointment of Appraisers to negotiate prices on certain Watershed Properties was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 10th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Public Service Commission re appointment of appraisers to negotiate prices on certain Water-shed properties, was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 8th, 1949.

The report recommends that G. A. Gladwin and A. P. Kelly be appointed in the above capacity and that the fee for which the valuators would carry on this work was 6% of the price agreed on; the fee to the valuators to be paid whether the property was purchased or not, once an agreement had been reached which the valuators considered fair.

The Committee approved the report and agreed to recommend the same to the Finance and Executive Committee for their consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### RAISING HOUSES MacDONALD STREET

Halifax, N. 8., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

The attached report from the Committee on Works respecting the raising of houses on MacDonald Street was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee, at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 10th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The attached reports and Final Certificate in connection with the contract with M. R. Fillmore, for the raising of houses on MacDonald Street were considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on November 8th, 1949.

The Committee approved the report and agreed to recommend the same to the Finance and Executive Committee for their consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

November 8th, 1949.

RAISING HOUSE #56 AND # 64 MACDONALD STREET. CERTIFICATE # 2 FINAL.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In connection with the raising of four dwellings on MacDonald Street, #56, #58, #60 and #64, it was only possible to raise two of these dwellings, namely #56 and #64. Due to the lateness of the season the owners of #58 and #60 wished to have the work of raising their houses put over until next year.

The total amount for raising the buildings #56 and #64

MacDonald Street is \$1,400.00. Deducting an amount previously paid on September 12th. of \$1,000.00 leaves a balance recommended for payment of \$400.00. This is to be made payable to the Bank of Montreal, North End Branch, on behalf of Mr. M. R. Fillmore, the Contractor.

To be added to the above is an amount of \$250.00, which it was thought after viewing the matter with Mr. C. P. Bethune and Mr. A. G. Cooper, Solicitor for Mr. Fillmore, should be included, as the Contractor was prepared to raise four houses, and it was found it was only practical to raise two, and for that reason the additional amount was requested. This would therefore make a total owning Mr. Fillmore of \$650.00, and it is recommended that this amount be paid, provided Mr. Fillmore will enter into an Agreement to raise the two remaining houses, #58 and #60 MacDonald Street, at the respective prices submitted of \$700.00 and \$1,000.00. Work to be done commencing July 1950 and completed not later than September 1, 1950.

Prior to this date, arrangements will be made to have the owners of #58 and #60 MacDonald Street, sign an Agreement to have the houses raised beginning in July 1950.

Respectfully submitted,

R. M. MacKinnon, Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## CLAIM MRS. RONALD DAVISON

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report was submitted from the Committee on Works recommending payment of a claim of Mrs. Ronald Davison, amounting to \$192.00 for injuries suffered by her, when she stepped into a catch-pit at the corner of Summit and Windsor Streets.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### CANTEEN FLEMING PARK

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works recommending that Mr. Josiah S. Boutilier be permitted to maintain his Canteen for one year on the lot of land known as the "Jib" in Fleming Park for the sum of \$50.00 was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### CURB AND GUTTER NORTH BARRINGTON ST.

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works respecting the improvements to the McColl-Frontenac Oil Company, Limited property on North Barrington Street was considered.

Your Committee concurs in this report.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

October 20th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The attached report of the Commissioner of Works re application of the McColl-Frontenac Oil Company, Limited for extension of curb and gutter on North Barrington Street, was considered by the Committee on Works at a meeting held on October 18th, 1949.

The Oil Company have made substantial improvements to their premises on north Barrington Street and propose to relocate their driveway and add a new section of curb and gutter. They are requesting that the City pay its share of the construction of the curb and gutter, twenty-two (22') feet in all, which based on our own contractor's figure and on the amount of assessment would amount to \$20.90.

The Committee approved the report and decided to recommend to the Finance & Executive Committee that the City contribute an amount of \$20.90 for the installation of curb and gutter as requested by the McColl-Frontenac Oil Company, Limited in front of their premises on north Barrington Street.

Respectfully submitted,
W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.
Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### TENDERS FOR LAND

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date it was agreed to recommend the sale of the following properties.

- (1) Lot #36 on the west side of Connaught Avenue to Mr. John R. Lloy, for the sum of \$710.00, with the understanding that the deed conveying the lot to Mr. Lloy, will be withheld until such time as the building located thereon, is removed.
- (2) Lot in the rear of #138 Lower Water Street to Schooner A Outfitting Company Limited, for the sum of \$160.00.
- (3) That a strip of land on Monastery Lane, at the corner of Yale Street be sold to Mr. S. G. Williams for the sum of \$50.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### INGLIS STREET LOTS

Read report from the Finance and Executive Committee as follows:-

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the matter of the Gorsebrook property was considered.

In view of the many petitions received opposing the sale of any portion of this property, it was agreed to recommend to the December meeting of the City Council,

1. That the resolution passed by City Council on June 16, 1949 respecting the allocation of the Gorsebrook Property between the City and the Board of School

Commissioners be rescinded.

- 2. That the entire Gorsebrook Property now owned by the City, be made available for the purposes of the Board of School Commissioners and Recreational Activities.
- 3. That no action be taken in respect of the tenders received for the lots fronting on Inglis Street.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Alderman Abbott. stated that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he would move the adoption of the report.

#### REFUND SUPERANNUATION

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance respecting a request from Constable Austin Mumford, that the amount he has contributed to the new Superannuation Plan, viz. \$295.50, be refunded to him and that no further deductions be made from his pay, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and the sum above mentioned, refunded to Mr. Mumford.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### DECEMBER PAY

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance respecting the December pay.

Your Committee recommends that the City Treasurer be authorized to pay civic officials and employees their full salary

for the month of December on or about the 15th day of that month.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### PURCHASE OF ACCOUNTING MACHINES

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance requesting authority to purchase a new Tax Accounting Machine and a new Payroll Accounting Machine, at an approximate cost of \$10, 000. was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the Commissioner of Finance be authorized to purchase the two machines.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 15, 1949.

Chairman, Finance and Executive Committee, City Hall.

Dear Sir:

Your authorization of the purchase of a new Tax Accounting Machine and a new Payroll Accounting Machine is requested.

The Tax Accounting machine now in use was purchased about ten years ago and several times during this past year we have had to have it repaired and I understand from the repair department of The National Cash Register Co. Ltd. that it is definitely showing signs of wear. The present machine can still be used as a standby and will be of considerable value in our busy periods, but I dread to think what would happen if it should break down during our busy season commencing next March.

The Payroll machine we only purchased in 1946 and it is still in good condition but I wish to use it for our appropriation ledger and general ledger work as the machine now in use for that purpose is also showing signs of wear as it was also purchased about ten years ago. Transferring this payroll machine to appropriation operation is a very simple one as it is designed to be used for various purposes.

In all this will mean an expenditure of approximately

\$10,000.00 of which we have \$5,000.00 available and the balance could be included in our 1950 Estimates.

I have asked the National Cash Register Company Limited to give me a quotation on the Tax Accounting machine and enclose herewith same for your information.

As it will take some time to have these machines delivered I would appreciate your permission to order same at the earliest possible moment.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew, Commissioner of Finance.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### CANADA SAVINGS BONDS

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance advising that the members of the staff of the City of Halifax have contributed the sum of \$46,550 to the Fourth Canada Savings Bond Issue and recommending that the City Treasurer be authorized to make the necessary deductions from the salaries of the employees concerned.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## COST OF LIVING BONUS TO PENSIONERS

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting the matter of Assistance to Needy Pensioners was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 15, 1949.

Chairman, Finance and Executive Committee, City Hall.

Dear Birt-

Following the policy adopted in 1948 of augmenting the amounts received by needy pensioners, I am enclosing a list similar to last year. This covers a group who are in receipt of amounts less than \$1,100.00 per annum and with a few exceptions they receive an additional \$7.00 per month or \$84.00 for the year. This was provided for in our estimates of 1949.

Yours very truly,

M. L. Bellew, Commissioner of Finance.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Notion passed.

#### TAX WRITE-OFF

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that uncollectible Tax Accounts amounting to \$10,747.29 be written off under the provisions of Section 283, Sub-Section 2 of the City Charter.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## FIRE PROTECTION RATE D. N. D.

Halifax, N. B., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the City Solicitor advising that a cheque had been received from the Deputy Minister of National Defence, for the sum of \$32,000.00 to cover Fire Protection Charges for the years 1947-1948 and 1948-1949.

Your Committee recommends that the payment be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# SPECIAL ASSESSMENT #310 BARRINGTON ST.

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date had for consideration a request from the Canadian Corps of Commissionaires to be relieved of the liability for Household Tax on the property at #310 Barrington Street, which is being used exclusively as Headquarters for \*H\* Division of the said Corps.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and the necessary legislation obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### PREFABRICATED HOUSES

Halifax, N. 8., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Housing Accommodation Committee respecting the purchase of 787 Prefabricated Houses was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 7, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor & Members of Finance & Executive Committee, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on the 4th inst., a report from His Worship the Mayor respecting the purchase of 787 prefabricated houses was considered.

The Committee recommends that negotiations be carried on with the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for the purchase of these houses for the sum of \$500,000.00. Further that the Housing Accommodation Committee be authorized to expend a sum not exceeding \$500.00 for a survey of the physical condition of the houses, and any other data which might be obtained in connection with the matter.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus, Chairman, HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

Alderman Walker: "They are falling down. You don't have to spend \$500.00 to find that out."

Alderman Walker then submitted the following questions to which he requested answers.

- 1. What was the total cost to the city for the three houses they recently moved and erected on concrete foundations on Leeds St?
- 2. Was the specifications that were given the contractor complete?

- 3. How many extras were given to the original contract price?
- 4. How much money did it cost the City for excavation and filling on the opposite side of the street from where the houses are now located?
- 5. How much money did it cost the City to have the openings cut in the concrete foundations to allow the building moving contractor to remove his carrying timbers?
- 6. Were the sills rotten?
- 7. What are the City workmen doing there at the present with a compressor and two men? The answer is that they are cutting a trench around the walls out of the solid rock to lay a drain to keep the water out of the sellar. What are the estimated costs?
- 8. What price did the City get for these houses?
- 9. Were they sold on the open market?
- 10. Was there an extra charge for new steps?
- 11. Was there an extra charge for removing water table and shingling?
- 12. If there was this much difficulty in moving three houses where would the cost run if we purchased the 700 and attempted to put foundations under them before they got so rotten we would not be able to lift them?
- 13. If the City purchases the houses or not and the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation re-sells to private ownership, will the new owner be compelled to make the changes necessary to meet the Building Code?
- 14. The most important requirements necessary to meet the present Building Code are as follows:

Chimney to rest on Masonary Base.
Minimum of 10° concrete Wall.
Gutters and Rain leaders connected to City sewers.
Plumbing fixtures vented.
Asbestos papers between floors.

Worship the Mayor addresses the Council from the floor as follows:

\*I didn't think I would have to leave the Chair on this matter. Some
of the questions asked are not dealing with the subject matter before
us. They are rather questions to tease somebody and get publicity
on a very serious situation in the City of Halifax. We can answer
them all. The first price offered was from \$1200. to \$2000. We
began talking about it and Central Mortgage said we will sell them
to you for \$1000 a house. I do know that by the rule of right that

if the City bought them naturally the persons who occupy them would get priority on purchase and if they did not purchase we would sell them to someone else. 200 of them are in a dilapidated condition and would have to come down. Probably one-third would last for 10 years and the other one-third for 15 years. We have had that all up before the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation. We made the offer of \$500,000.00 for the 787 houses. We had quite a few conferences with them.

His Worship the Mayor read a telegram he had received from G. B. Isnor, M. P., stating that the \$500,000.00 was not acceptable.

\*Your Government is concerned more with what we can do for the people in the next year or so than to haggle over \$500,000.00. The present tenants would have priority. The buildings would be brought up to the City Building Code.\*

There were 100 houses sold at Pictou for \$500.00 each but they were empty. We have no empty houses. We need all the houses we can get. We are talking slum clearance. We need these houses to move tenants from other areas when we improve conditions. I will be guided by what Council says. This is not the time nor place for any foolish questions or any teasing. Let us get down to business. People are still living in them and I don't think they will fall down on their heads. That is the explanation of it. We still carried our offer of \$500,000.00, but what we have here, it will not be accepted."

8:30 P. M. His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Alderman Burgess: "I don't know how you are going to examine 787 houses for \$500.00."

Alderman Walker: "I will give you an idea of what it cost to move the three on Leeds Street."

Alderman Hosterman: "There is nothing very serious about the motion before Council. This is just to make an examination of the houses. It just gives permission to continue negotiations with

Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation. \*

Alderman Burgess: "If we know this \$500,000.00 is going to be turned down, I would be satisfied to pay \$1,000.00 each and take them. You can't build anything today for \$1,000.00."

Alderman DeWolf agreed with Alderman Burgess.

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the amount of \$500,000.00 be deleted from the resolution and that the Committee offer the sum of \$1,000.00 per unit or such lesser amount as can be arranged through negotiation.

Alderman DeWolf stated the City could make a lot of money if it bought the houses.

Alderman Walker: "You still have shacks if you put walls under them. Let the Aldermen look at the books to see what is owing, thousands and thousands of dollars in rent."

Alderman DeWolf: "The arrears amounted to \$168.00 to the end of October which is 25 cents per house."

Alderman Burgess: "We sold a lot for \$710.00; if a lot is worth \$710.00 the houses are worth \$1,000.00 each."

Alderman Kitz: "I challenge my friend Alderman Walker where those prefabs that have been sold and painted are a fine looking section; I challenge anyone to tell those people that they did not get a good buy at \$2800.00. There is nothing to compare in that figure. We can't possibly lose on a deal of this magnitude. When it is suggested that we can't handle it for a certain term of years it is a sad reflection on our business ability to do so. The services were put in there free of charge. We should not fail to be alert that all these houses have sewer and water, etc. If we asked the 787 occupants what answer would you get? I qualify that answer by (1) They were built for a temporary purpose only, that is recognized and (2) Ten or fifteen years."

Moved in amendment to the amendment by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Abbott that an open forum be held so that the

people may have an opportunity to express their views.

Alderman Vaughan: "We should use our oath of office to look after matters ourselves and to use our own judgment. We are the elected representatives. Any persons who were interested in these houses could have been here while we were discussing them. I have never received a call or letter. They could tell me if they were opposed to the sale. They would resent the remark that they are living in shacks."

Alderman Abbott: "I might say that I have had a number of calls opposing the City purchasing these houses. When we are spending a lot of the citizens money, I think they are entitled to an open Forum."

The amendment to the amendment was put and lost 3 voting for the same and 9 against it as follows:

# FOR AMENDMENT TO AMENDMENT

#### AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott Breen Walker Alderman Adams
Burgess
DeWolf
Hosterman
Kitz
MacDonald
Moriarty
Redmond
Vaughan

- 3 -

**-** 9 --

The amendment was then put and passed 9 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

## FOR THE AMENDMENT

# AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Hosterman
MacDonald
Xitz
Redmond
Burgess
Vaughan

Alderman Abbott Adams Walker

- 9 –

- 3 -

The motion was not put.

His Worship the Mayor called upon the Chairman of the Housing

Accommodation Committee to say something in connection with the Emergency Shelters.

Mr. McManus addressed the Council as follows: "A lot of these tenants were cases where we were forced to take on as we could not select our tenants. It is true that you are bound to have loss of rents. That loss of thousands of dollars as Alderman Walker says is not so great after all. The amount was reduced through collection of rents. We operate them with light, heat and janitor service. The large amount of the loss is rent which is collectible and they are making arrangement for payment. The net loss is about 5% a year."

Alderman Walker than submitted a list of figures which he stated was the amount owing for back rents for Emergency Shelters as follows:

5,529.03 1,346.42 6,191.13 10,745.76 2,988.66 \$ 26,801.00

Alderman Kitz to Alderman Walker: "Can you assure the Council those figures are correct?"

Alderman Walker: "They are on the books."

His Worship the Mayor: "We will have them \*nvestigated and have a report for the next meeting."

Alderman DeWolf: "I don't believe that amount is bad. It is a loss of about 5%. Some of those tenants were people who were evicted."

# CATTLE SHED FORUM PROPERTY

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen: -

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Chairman of the Halifax

Forum Commission respecting the Cannia Shed on the Forum property was considered.

Tour Committee recommends that the report be approved, application made to the Department of Municipal Affairs for suchorally to borrow a sum not exceeding \$10,000,00 required for the improvements indicated in each report and that the building be leased to Roter Simpson Eastern Limited, for the sum of \$15,000,00 annually for a five year period, with an option of renewal, subject to a prior use for the curposes and the necessary legislation obtained.

Respectfully submitted,

### W. P. Publicower, STTY SLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved.

Alderman Walker: "We might as well go in the auction business."

Alderman Kitz: "I know Alderman DeWolf has more data on this. The cattle sheds were named over to us and have been lying in dust and we were not getting anything. Now we can get \$15,000.

2 Year.

Alderman Burgess. Those buildings when they were put there were not meant to give revenue. We should not run in competition with the men in the storage business. I am very much opposed to that. I don't think we should spend 324,300,30 and not let it out for 5 years.

Alderman Walker; "We paid over \$1,000,000.00 for it. It was taken from us by the Government for \$225,000.00. Now you are going to spend \$24,000.00 to repair it. Give it to the people to whom it belongs. It belongs to us."

Alderman DeWolf: "I question what other storage there is in the City of Halifax available to people other than the National Harbour Board, who up to the present we have collected no taxes. It is true we have suggested renting it for \$15,000.00. The idea is to put in an asphalt floor. It will cost from 8 to 10 thousand dollars. The amount comes to \$25,000.00. In 5 years we collect \$75,000.00. The dommination was set up by the Council to deal with that property. I think we are operating it very successfully. Last

month in the first month's operation the profit is \$2,738.00 more than the month in the preceding year. The Commission felt they were doing the right thing for the City of Halifax. The grandstand is now being negotiated for renting. If it is desired that the Commission run the property on a business basis, but if not, we would like to know.\*

Alderman Abbott: "Will the City be required to heat the storage space?"

Alderman DeWolf: "It has been heated right along."

Alderman Walker: "I understand the Alderman (Alderman)

Alderman Walker: "I understand the Alderman (Alderman DeWolf is agreeable to letting the space to these people for storage instead of building a building to have it put on the tax roll. Why should we pay this money out to suit them? They can build a place."

Alderman Kitz: "It is common knowledge that Simpsons have been warehousing in Pier 2 for years. This way we will get \$15,000. On a year and possibly more taxes."

Alderman Burgess: "If they take out the wooden floor and put in asphalt there is nothing left to burn. You are putting in a sprinkler system for Simpsons."

Alderman Moriarty: "A lot of time has been spent by the Forum Commission on this building. When we had the opportunity of doing business with one of our firms in this Province, which employs two thousand or twenty-five hundred men, that building will be occupied by that firm. They will put people to work in this building. The asphalt floor is an asset to the building. I have a sprinkler system in my building and I don't anticipate a fire. The City will get \$15,000.00 a year plus the business tax when the Assessor makes the assessment. I think the Forum Commission acted in the best interests of the City when they made that proposition."

Alderman Burgess: "I am against leasing the building. It is for fairs and exhibitions. Every place is having their exhibitions. I hope to see the exhibition, race track and the people up there

living in better homes."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that we not spend any more money to fix up the cattle shed to lease it.

Alderman MacDonald: "This sounds to me to be a sound business proposition. I don't know where we could turn our hand to get
\$75,000.00 for \$24,000.00. I think we would be very wise to go shead
with this."

Alderman Breen: "This property was acquired by the taxpayers for a specific purpose. It was always stated the property was stolen from us which is true. Has the Forum Commission any long range plans for this property? I had some hopes that in the near future this property would be used for the purpose it was originally intended. The City is fast getting into the Real Estate Business of which I heartily disapprove. How much business tax does this mean. It has been intimated that another piece is going to be rented. The grandstand, to me looks as though it won't be of any use if you go about it piecemeal. There was some question of City equipment and no place to put it. That would be a good place to put it. I will support it, but I would like to see a shorter lease and a lesser expenditure made on the building."

Alderman Burgess: "The Manager is to get 10% of the profits."

Alderman DeWolf: "That' 10% Alderman Burgess speaks of is not
quite right because the present Forum Commission expects to pay off
the bonded indebtedness on the whole property. There is a difference
between net profit and gross profit."

Alderman Breen: "What is the total capital indebtedness at the Forum and is this a new borrowing?"

His Worship the Mayor: "This is a new venture."

Alderman Hosterman: "What is the \$75,000.00 borrowing earmarked for?"

Mr. Bellew: "It was ear-marked by the Department of Municipal Affairs and if we have to borrow anything again, we would have to apply for it."

Alderman Hosterman: "Have you any of that \$75,000.00 left?"

Alderman DeWolf: "I am sure that there is. Mr. Bellew can answer that. \$23,000.00 was to make up an amount that was previously used by the former Commission out of current for capital items.

There were some past due accounts about \$15,000.00, which were paid out of that. I suppose there would be 20 or 25 thousand dollars left with no commitments at the moment."

Alderman Moriarty: "We had those questions before us as a Forum Commission and if we had the green light, we would have put these through but as the borrowing was ear-marked we had to come here to ask for it."

At this moment Alderman Burgess agreed to withdraw the amendment with permission of the seconder.

The motion was then put and lost 5 voting for the same and 7 against it as follows:

#### FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
MacDonald
Xitz
Vaughan

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#### AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Hosterman
Abbott
Adams
Redmond
Walker
Burgess

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His Worship the Mayor: "If you desire the Forum to be run by City Council then this is the place to have it, but if you are going to have a commission run it, then the instances that happened here tonight are not good order. You will want these places for future fairs and an exhibition."

Alderman Breen: "How is the Forum Commission going to operate; on a profit and loss basis or for the benefit of the Citizens?"

His Worship the Mayor: "We will put \$50,000.00 into the tax pot next year."

Alderman Burgess: "I was a member of the Commission that made a mess of it. St. Mary's are winning this year and they will make money. There is no secret to it. If they are not winning there won't be as much money."

Alderman DeWolf: "We are trying to make this a paying proposition for the City of Halifax. I don't want to discuss the borrowing of \$125,000.00 for Capital. I don't know where it is. I am not going to discuss the old Forum Commission."

# REORGANIZATION WORKS DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Committee on Works respecting the reorganization of the Works Department was considered.

It was agreed to forward the report to Council.

. Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 15th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works meeting on November 14th, 1949 considered the attached interim report re the Works Department reorganization, and it was decided to recommend the following to your Committee, for consideration and recommendation to Council.

- 1. That the Commissioner of Works, R. M. MacKinnon, retire from the position of Commissioner of Works as of December 31st, 1949, under the terms and conditions as set down by resolution as approved by Council, May 12th, 1949; a copy of which is hereto attached.
- 2. That the services of F. C. Woods be engaged for one year commencing January 1st, 1950, to assume the duties of Commissioner of Works and to permit him to continue to reorganize the Department, at the same salary as presently paid to him, under Agreement dated August 11th, 1949.
- 3. That A. C. Harris remain with the Department as Deputy

Commissioner of Works, and that he receive a salary of \$5,500.00 per annum, commencing January 1st, 1950.

- 4. That J. Philip Dumaresq remain as Town Planning Engineer but be brought more closely into the Works Department, and that his work would be allocated by the Commissioner of Works instead of the work being taken directly to him, and further that the Town Planning Engineer take over the supervision of all City buildings where necessary.
- 5. That the Building Inspector, E. C. Thomas, should be remain with the Works Department, be paid a salary of \$4,800.00 per year commencing January 1st, 1950.
- 6. The Committee on Works further recommends to the Finance and Executive Committee that the sum of \$8,000.00 be made available for the renovation of the present offices of the Works Department on the ground floor and the library on the second floor, in order to provide sufficient space to relieve the handicap under which the Department finds itself.

A detailed report re office space is attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved.

Alderman Hosterman: "I just want to be assured that the question of Mr. Woods carrying on as Commissioner of Works is purely a temporary arrangement; nothing permanent?

His Worship the Mayor: "On a contract for one year."

Alderman Hosterman: \*At the expiration of that time the matter comes up again?\*

His Worship the Mayor: "That is right."

Alderman Walker: "Mr. Woods; What is he employed to do?

Does he know? Is he in charge of the Works Department? Is he recommending raises in salaries? If he knows, why are those three houses on Leeds Street moved across the street? Why were the excavations dug in the wrong place when they were recommended on the other side of the street? Was this man to look into it?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Do you want it to happen again?"

Alderman Walker: "What is wrong?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Read your report."

Alderman Walker: "Those houses there have no steps. You want to fire Mr. Woods out of it Your Worship."

His Worship the Mayor: "You have been in that Chair very long, don't ask any more foolish questions."

Alderman Abbett: "Mr. Woods has hired to reorganize the Works Department. In fairness to Mr. Woods, I feel he has done a good job. Temporary appointments usually become permanent appointments. If Mr. Woods wants the position of Commissioner of Works then the City should advertise and Mr. Woods apply properly."

Alderman Breen: "At the time of the appointment of the Commissioner of Works, that procedure will be followed."

Alderman Kitz: "In the 1947 and 1948 budget, there was some money allocated to looking into the feasibility of having our City buildings designed by one person. Last year a working arrangement was made whereby the School Architect designed the very fine structure that is in the Gorsebrook property and he was designing the one in the Westmount area.

We no longer have the services of Mr. Downie. The building on the Westmount is being charged for supervision. We could save those large amounts of money. When you have an architecturally designed building by an outside architect, it is glaring how the figures compare with the one made by the employee.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the expert, Mr. Woods, look into the feasibility of the City having a school board architect to design our 3chool buildings in the future.

Alderman Abbott: "You can't get one for \$8,000.00."

Alderman Burgess: "For the last three or four years I was on the Safety Committee it was mentioned where to erect a new police station. We have done nothing about the Police Department. It is

one of the best Departments we have. It is not sanitary and it is not fit to put anyone in it. With \$8,000.00 saved on architect's fees it would go a long way towards it."

At this time Alderman DeWolf rose to a point of order regarding Alderman Walker making insulting remarks about Mr. Woods.

His Worship the Mayor: "It was felt that Mr. Woods make the recommendations within his own Department for one year. It is in the interests of the taxpayers that is proposed tonight. The reorganization will be complete and we will have something in a year's time to show the citizens of Halifax that we are not asleep on the job."

With reference to architects mentioned by Alderman Kitz, His Worship the Mayor stated that Mr. Woods would make reference to architects in his weekly reports.

Alderman Kitz: "If you can assure me of that I will with-draw my amendment."

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes."

Alderman Kitz, with the permission of his seconder, withdrew his amendment.

The motion was then put and passed 8 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

#### FOR THE MOTION

### AGAINST IT

Alderman Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Hosterman
Kitz
MacDonald
Moriarty
Redmond

Alderman Abbott Burgess Vaughan Walker

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# HONORARIUM CITY SOLICITOR

This item was withdrawn from the agenda.

At this time His Worship the Mayor requested permission of Council to deal with Item #60 Tenders for Parking Meters to which Council agreed.

#### TENDERS FOR PARKING METERS

Halifax, N. S., November 16, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date tenders were considered for the supply and installation of 250 Parking Meters from the following:

(a) single coin and \$21,937.50 for (b) multiple coin.

It is recommended that the tender of the Ontario Hughes Owens Co., Ltd. be accepted for 250 Mark Time Parking Meters at a cash price of \$16,450.00 which includes installation and painting the lines on the streets.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover. CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the report be approved.

Alderman Kitz: "About 6 months ago I suggested hastily 250 meters be installed without a report on which meters should be bought. I would bow to professional opinion. We got 250 Mi-Co meters. We decide we need 250 more meters. We took a proper course and asked the Chief to get a professional opinion and we got a most comprehensive report from the Automotive Chief Mr. He examined the 3 meters and came to the conclusion that Greene. the Mi-Co was the best meter to buy for the City. That report was turned down promptly without a reason. I am going to vote against this motion and vote for the type recommended by the expert. It will be confusing to have more than one type of meter operating on the street.

Alderman Abbott: "I voted for the purchase of the Mark-Time meters because there was a saving to the tax payers of \$1,000. I understand there are other Cities in the Maritime Provinces which have both these meters. 5

Moved in amendment by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman

Burgess that the matter be referred to the Chief of Police and he investigate the Mark-Time meters in the other places where they are operated in the Maritimes and report to the Safety Committee.

Alderman Hosterman: "I happen to have a letter here I received from Fredericton where they have the Mark-Time and Mi-Co meters. The Alderman in charge states that the Mark-Time meters have given the most satisfaction in operation and maintenance."

The Alderman then quoted from a letter from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology on meters for the information of Council.

We went on to say "They go on with the methods of operation and maintenance. In Item #5 they say the Mi-Co was rated high with one exception if the handle is not turned fully after the coin is inserted the meter will not work. I have had that experience. They recommended the automatic machines, but they point out that where we have very great changes of temperature they don't recommend the use of the automatic because it freezes up on them. The report should guide the Aldermen very well."

Alderman Walker to Chief of Police: "Are the meters work-ing alright; any faults?"

Chief of Police: "I would like to state that I have a report on file with the City Clerk on my findings."

The amendment was put and resulted in a tie vote as follows:

### FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman DeWolf
Breen
Abbott
Adams
Burgess
Vaughan

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#### AGAINST IT

Alderman Moriarty
Hosterman
MacDonald
Kitz
Redmond
Walker

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His Worship the Mayor cast his vote against the amendment and declared it lost.

of the Acts of the Province of Jova Soctia 1945. The Municipal Affairs Act, it is enacted among other things, in effect, that notwithstanding any of the provisions of any general or special Act of the Legislature of Mova Soctia, the City of Malifex shall have full power and authority to be provided for the said City such sum or sums as the Council thereof deems necessary for the purpose whatsoever.

AND WHEREAS by said section 8 of said The Municipal Affairs Act it is enacted among other things, in effect, that no money shall be so berrowed until such proposed borrowing has been approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

AND WHEREAS by said The Nunicipal Affairs Act the said sum shall in the discretion of the City Council be borrowed or raised in one sum at one time or in installments at different times and the sum required shall be borrowed or raised by the issue and sale of debentures of the City to such an amount as such Council deems necessary to raise such sum.

AND WHEFEAS it is deemed necessary by the City Scuncil of the City of Halifax to be now a sum not exceeding Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500.00) for the purchase and installation of 250 parking meters.

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceedingSeventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500.00). will be necessary to raise that sum.

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to postpone the issue of such debentures and to borrow from any

bank, i, person or absolute available such sums exceeding Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500.00) as may be necessary for the surposes aforesaid, the said sums to be relaid from the projects of the debentures when sold.

BE IT THE LITTUE RESIDENCE that under and by wirtue of said The Luminical Affairs Act the said Tity 30, subject to the approval of the Limister of Municipal Affairs, between the may of lean on the credit of the City the said sum of Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500.00) for the purposes aforesaid.

THAT under and in accordance with said. The Hundred Pollars (\$17,500.00)

Destroined and that the said City do under and by virtue of the previsions of section 318B of the Halifax City Charter of 1931 borrow from the General Current Account a sum or sums of money not exceeding Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500.00)

THAT the said sum or sums be so borrowed for a porica not exceeding nine months, with interest thereon to be baid at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per centum, and that the amount so borrowed together with the amount of any interest which may have account thereon be rebaid the said General Current Account from the proceeds of the said debentures when sold.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the resolution of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly passed at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Halifax held on the 17th day of November, A. D. 1949

GIVEN under the hands of the Mayor and Gity Therk and under the corporate seal of the said City this 17th day of November, A. D. 1949

Mayor

Hoved in amendment by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Walker that we purchase 250 Mi-Co Parking Meters for the sum of \$17,500.00 as per contract.

The amendment was put and passed 9 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

## FOR THE AMENDMENT

### AGAINST IT

Alderman Adams
Breen
Burgess
DeWolf
Kitz
MacDonald
Redmond
Vaughan
Walker

Alderman Abbott Hosterman Moriarty

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A resolution to borrow the sum of \$17,500.00 for the purchase of the meters was submitted and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Breen that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously the following Alderman being present and voting therefor: Alderman DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Hosterman, Abbott, Adams, MacDonald, Kitz, Redmond, Walker, Burgess and Vaughan.

#### LAND ASSEMBLY

Halifax, N. S., November 15, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the Housing Accommodation Committee under date of July 11, 1949 respecting the matter of the Agreement between the City and the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation in respect to the completion of the Westmount development was again considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 17, 1949. .
July 11th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on the 8th instant, the matter of the Agreement between the City and the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation in respect to the completion of the Westmount development was given further consideration.

It was decided to again recommend that the City undertake to install the sewer at a cost of \$2.50 per lineal foot, and the rough grading at a cost of \$2.00 per foot. The City would purchase the land required for park purposes at a total cost of \$24,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,

W. J. Clancey, Secretary, HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved.

Motion put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Abbott, Adams, Breen, Burgess, DeWolf, Hosterman, Kitz, MacDonald, Moriarty, Redmond, Vaughan and Walker.

At this time Alderman Walker gives Notice of Reconsideration on "Reorganization of the Works Department" and moves for a Stay of Proceedings, which was seconded by Alderman Burgess.

The motion on the Stay of Proceedings was put and lost 2 voting for the same and 10 against it as follows:

# FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Walker Burgess

# AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Hosterman
Abbott
Adams
MacDonald
Kitz
Redmond
Vaughan

### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

#### Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment.

Hfx. Hospital Communicable Diseases	
Parke, Davis & Co. Ltd.	\$ 294.35
Tuberculosis Hospital	
Parke, Davis & Co. Ltd.	\$ 729.56
Public Health	
Dalhousie Public Health Clinic Ingram & Bell Limited	5000.00 206.02
C1ty Home	
J. A. Leaman & Company Limited J. & M. Murphy Limited Howard's Limited Union Coal Company Limited	\$1687.85 322.49 710.25 643.52

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## TENDERS FOR VEGETABLES

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

#### Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date tenders for the supply of Vegetables to the City Home were considered from Canada Packers Limited and W. J. Dowell & Son, Limited.

Your Committee recommends that the lower tender, that of Canada Packers Limited be approved for the following:

		Potatoes Green Mountain  # Irish Cobblers	1.02		bushel
500 200	ĸ	Turnip (Laurentian)	•60	#	¥
100	,	Carrots (Canada No. 1Medium)	1.65	Ħ	×

50 bushel Parsnips (Canada No.1 Medium)

\$2.14 per bushel

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Hoved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Hotion passed.

#### TENDERS FOR FISH

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date tenders for the supply of Fish to the City Home and City Prison were considered from the following.

Burn's Fisheries Ltd.
Boutilier's Limited

\$ 4,913.00 5,988.00

Your Committee recommends that the tender of Burn's Fisheries Limited be approved for a period of six months from November 20, 1949.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### TENDERS REMOVING GUTTERS ETC. T. B. HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a tender was submitted from Mr. J. A. Moulton, offering to renew copper ridge roll and replace gutters on the Halifax Tuberculosis Hospital at \$5.65 per lineal foot for staging, if present supports can be used. If new supports are required an additional cost of .65 per lineal foot will be required.

Your Committee recommends that the tender be approved, the total cost of the work not to exceed \$2,000.00 and the funds for same to be provided from the current estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### PURCHASE OF MATTRESSES

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Superintendent of Health recommending the purchase of eighteen dunlopillow Mattresses from the Dunlop Tire & Rubber Goods Company Limited at \$35.00 each for use at the Tuberculosis Hospital.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### CONTRACT FOR OXYGEN

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date the attached agreement from the Canadian Liquid Air Company for the supply of Oxygen to the Tuberculosis Hospital was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the contract be approved for a period of one year and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute same on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### N. S. A. MASTER PLUMBERS ETC.

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

The Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that Mr. E. C. Thomas, Sanitary Engineer be reimbursed the sum of \$20.00 expended by him in connection with a meeting of the Nova Scotia Association of Master Plumbers and Heating Contractors held at Lunenburg.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

Gentlemen: -

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Health respecting the Welfare Department was considered.

The recommendations of the Commissioner of Health were concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 7th, 1949.

Chairman and Members, Committee on Public Health & Welfare.

Gentlemen:

Re: Welfare Department.

Enclosed with your reports were copies of a letter to me from Miss Torey of the Welfare Bureau stating that the Bureau would not be able to carry on for the City after December 31st, 1949, also a letter from Mr. Jones, Welfare Officer stating what is now necessary for the City to set up a Department so that money can be paid out after investigation by a trained qualified worker in the employ of the City.

I recommend that the Committee recommend to City Council:

- (1) We advise the Welfare Bureau that the City acknowledges their request and terminates the agreement as of December 31st, 1949.
- (2) That the City thank the Bureau for the excellent work and assistance given it during the past five years under the agreement.
- (3) That a trained qualified worker be found to work with the Welfare Officer in order to take over this work.
- (h) That the Finance Department be requested to work out with the Commissioner of Health and the Welfare Officer the forms and set up required to pay out this Welfare assistance directly at City Hall.
- (5) That the Welfare Bureau be advised that City Council has already made arrangements for funds to be advanced to them to carry on for October, November and December, 1949.

## Respectfully submitted,

Allan R. Morton, M.D., M.P.H., F.A.P.H.A., Commissioner of Public Health & Welfare.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved.

Motion passed.

### AUDIONETER CLERK

Halifax, N. S., November 7, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date an Audiometer Clerk was appointed at a salary of \$720.00 per annum on a part-time basis.

As no provision was made in the salary schedule for this classification, it is recommended that the above salary be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Burgess, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved.

The Commissioner of Health described the operation of this machine for the benefit of the members of Council.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that this matter be referred to the Commissioner of Health to discuss the same with the School Board. Amendment passed.

## ACCOUNTS OVER \$ 200.00

Halifax, N. S., November 10, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment.

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Bickle-Seagrave Limited

\$ 230.85

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

392.10 Burroughes & Watts Canada Ltd. 250.00 William MacDonald

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## ACCOUNT SPECIAL ITEM

Halifax, N. S., November 16, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date an account amounting to \$15.00 payable to Mr. A. G. Greene for examination of three Parking Meters, was approved and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman Motion passed. that the report be approved.

# PURCHASE OF FIREMEN'S HELMETS

Halifax, N. S., November 10, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above

date a report was submitted from the Onief of the Fire Department recommending the purchase of twelve Firemen's Leather Helmets from James Hendry Limited of Glasgow, Scotland at \$24.00 each.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman Motion passed. that the report be approved.

## CAPERS JUNCTION

Halifax, N. S., November 10, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Housing Accommodation Committee respecting the lease of the building at Wellington Court, known as Capers Junction to the Halifax Police Amateur, Athletic & Social Club was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the offer to lease the building at \$500,00 per annum as from January 1, 1950 be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

November 8, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor & Members of the Safety Committee, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

At the last meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee a request from the Hallfax Police Club for the rental of the building at Wellington Court known as Capers Junction was considered.

The Committee is prepared to lease this building to the Club and supply heat to the same for the sum of \$500.00 per annum.

By Sec. 69, Chapter 51, Acts 1942 the City may contribute to the said club for the purpose of assisting it to obtain adequate quarters.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus, Chairman, HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE.

Moved by Alderman Adams, sesonded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## DAMAGE TO POLICE CAR

Halifax, N. S., November 10, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Chief of Police recommending that an offer to settle a claim for damages to the Police Utility Car by James Brown for the sum of \$13.00 be accepted.

Your Committee recommends that this offer be accepted and the Mayor and City Clerk authorized to execute a proper release on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# TENDERS FOR OLD TRUCK FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT

Halifax, N. S., November 10, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date tenders were considered for the sale of a second-hand Truck of the Fire Alarm Telegraph Department as follows:

John H. McInnis Joseph Cuvelier Bert Cooper Matthews Coal Company Earl Ruggles	\$ 280.00 100.00 210.00 200.00 252.00 270.00
Ralph Wilson	270.00

Your Committee recommends that the tender of John H. McInnis be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Hosterman Motion passed. that the report be approved.

## ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. B., November 4, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment.

### EMERGENCY SHELTER

\$ 1,781.63 Union Coal Company Limited 369.18 A. A. Burbridge 405.15 A. S. Carten

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan Notion passed. that the report be approved.

### WELLINGTON COURT

November 8, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor & Members of the City Council, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

The Housing Accommodation Committee has given consideration to the question raised by Alderman Burgess respecting the removing of the buildings at the Wellington Court project.

The Committee is of the opinion that the present time is not opportune to take any action in this matter.

Yours truly,

J. F. McManus, Chairman. HOUSING ACCOMMODATION COMMITTEE.

Alderman Burgess: "I don't want to get rid of the houses. I want better housing for them, then we will get the race track. FILED

## QUESTIONS

Alderman DeWolf: "Last month the Forum Commission was given authority to handle all the property of the Forum.

Forum Commission undertook with The Robert Simpson Limited to give them a lease of this property. Forgetting about the borrowing bill we are in an awkward spot. I was going to ask the Council to confirm the matter of allowing us to rent the premises so that if we do go ahead with it without the borrowing, we might get the money by some other means.\*

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Kitz that Council confirm the permission already given to the Forum Commission to deal with the properties at the Forum. Motion passed.

# HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE

Alderman Kitz brought up the matter of the HalifaxDartmouth Bridge and asked if the same could be put on the next
month's agenda. The dropping off of employment in the City of
Halifax is beginning to be acute. The last negotiations we had
was on a certain basis between Dartmouth, the County, the Province
and the City of Halifax. Unfortunately the impression might be in
the minds of those others that the City of Halifax has turned down
the case."

His Worship the Mayor: "A sub-committee was appointed to act. That sub-committee met with the Premier and they discussed the pros and cons. The matter was left in the Premier's hands to see if he could get any definite ideas of finances. Mayor Pettipas is calling a meeting next week."

# COMPLAINTS OF SERVICE TROLLEY ROUTE EDGEWOOD

Alderman Burgess stated that he had complaints about the trolley service given on the Edgewood Route and requested that it be gone into.

His Worship the Mayor: "We could instruct the Chief to hold a meeting on that later and the Aldermen from Wards 5 and 6 could sit in."

## SALARIES FORUM

In answer to a request from Alderman Burgess at a previous

meeting of Council the following letter was submitted from the Secretary of the Forum Commission giving the salaries of the employees of the Forum.

November 16, 1949.

W. P. Publicover, Esq., City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr. Publicover,

Pursuant to request of Alderman Burgess at Meeting of City Council held on the 13th day of October, 1949, I wish to advise that the following is a list of Forum Staff, showing occupation and weekly rate of pay, as at November 10th, 1949:

Yours truly,

H. R. Nicholson, Secretary - Halifax Forum Commission.

Alderman Burgess: "I asked for the salaries of the two top men; not all of them. This is nothing to do with the men themselves but I am interested in the citizens of Halifax. The first man has a nice law practice, they appoint him as Manager at \$5,000.00 a year plus 10% of the profits. This same man draws \$100.00 a week from the Bicentenary Committee. Has he drawn both salaries?"

Mr. Bellew: "He draws it from the Bicentenary Committee but I don't know anything about the Forum."

His Worship the Mayor: \*He drew his salary for the month of November, but his contract with the Bicentenary Committee is up as of December 1st.\*

Alderman Burgess: "This is a part time job. The other man does the work, but I don't think he has paid five cents in taxes. We could get tax payers. I can't see this at all. I would like a ruling from the City Solicitor to see if a man can draw two salaries from the City at the same time. \*

His Worship the Mayor: \*If you want a good man you have to pay the price. If they don't make a go of it then chase them out after one year. \*

Alderman Burgess: \*I am interested in the man on the street who has no job. "

His Worship the Mayor: \*Let us be fair in all operations of the City and the Forum Commission. If you want to destroy the Forum Commission we will hand it over to the people."

Alderman Burgess: "I am not trying to filibuster the Forum Commission. Are you satisfied that one man in this City should have three jobs? Are you satisfied with that?"

His Worship the Mayor: \*I did not do that. \*

Alderman DeWolf: "The Forum Commission, after they took over advertised for the position of Manager of the Forum. We got quite a number of applications. I know Mr. Fraser is giving a lot of time to it. Mr. Fraser was the best man taken on. Mr. Nicholson, the Chief Clerk succeeded a man who left. I presume the Assessor will charge him with the proper tax. The employees are the same number as last year. The salaries represent 6% of the revenue as against 7% last year. \*

Alderman Burgess: "Who is the Audit Company?"

Alderman DeWolf: "Archibald-Gurnham Company Limited."

Alderman Burgess: "Was that advertised?"

Alderman DeWolf: "No."

Alderman Burgess: "Was anyone asked for an estimate?"

Alderman DeWolf: "No."

Alderman Hosterman: "I did not hear Alderman DeWolf say that Mr. Fraser made an application for the job. Was his among those received? #

Alderman DeWolf: "No his application was not received."

His Worship the Mayor: "He made a verbal application

which was taken up by the Commission."

Alderman Hosterman: "Was it received at the time of the other applications?"

His Worship the Mayor: "There were no applications opened until his came in."

Alderman Hosterman: "Is it presumed that they were held up until his came in?"

His Worship the Mayor: "No, we were waiting for a meeting of the Forum Commission. If you want to destroy the Forum Commission keep up the filibuster then they will hand it back to you."

Alderman Hosterman: "I am not trying to do any harm to the present Commission, at the same time I would like to know if Mr. Fraser was requested to put in an application."

Eis Worship the Mayor: "He asked me and I said yes. I am not afraid to defend that and I think it is a good appointment. There are certain times when you have to act fast to pick the best men and trust in them to do a good job. Wait until the end of the year when they produce a balance sheet and if it is not satisfactory, then go aboard of them."

Alderman Breen: "Are we to understand that we can't ask questions about the Forum. I would like to have a proper understanding as to the operation of the Forum. If it is so, let it be understood. It has not been my intention to sabotage the Commission. As a member of this Council, I think I have a right to ask a fair question."

His Worship the Mayor: "Quite right. The quickest way to destroy a business is to pound it."

Alderman Breen: "I don't think the Forum Commission has been discussed here before. We should be able to ask a question without it getting under the skin of anyone. I hope I will

always keep myself within those bounds. "

#### TAG DAY

Halifax, N. S., November 17, 1949.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a request from the International Students Service for permission to hold a Tag Day on Saturday, November 17, 1949 was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hosterman, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved. Notion passed.

## ACCOUNTS OVER \$500,00

November 15th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached accounts amounting to more than \$500.00 were considered at a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 8th, 1949, and were approved by the Committee and recommended to Council for payment:-

Trainor Auto Service Limited - \$7,129.40

Nova Scotia Light & Power Co. Ltd. - 558.69

Canadian Industries Limited - 1,749.13

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per W. G. Todd.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# FINAL CERTIFICATES

November 15th, 1949.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The attached Final Certificates in favour of M. R. Fillmore