

EVENING SESSION  
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
April 23, 1954,  
8:00 P.M.

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Also present were Messrs. A.A. DeBard Jr., W.P. Publicover, R.H. Stoddard, T.C. Doyle, A.J. Yeadon, G.F. West and L.M. Romkey.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Re-assessment.
2. Sewer Construction and Easement Land B.J. Vaughan. - Desmond Avenue.
3. Settlement Claim City Field Fires.

EXPRESSION SYMPATHY ALDERMAN DUNLOP

Alderman Ahern referred to the fact that Alderman Dunlop had suffered the loss of his brother and he felt a resolution of sympathy should be recorded in the minutes of the meeting to which Council agreed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that Alderman Dunlop could rest assured that he had the full sympathy of the Council.

SEWER CONSTRUCTIONS & EASEMENTS-LAND MR. B.J. VAUGHAN-DESKOND AVE.

City Manager: "The Manager was instructed to bring in a complete report with regard to the construction of the sewer and any suggestion with regard to acquiring the easement. We have not been able to get to ether the information on that sewer. I will have a recommendation with regard to the possible cost of the

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easement."

He read the recommendation which advised the settlement would be  $22\frac{1}{2}\%$  per sq. ft. which would amount to approximately \$5000.00

Alderman Lloyd: "It seems appropriate that the request would be that the matter be deferred for further consideration."

City Manager: "In a way that is right because I am not able to give you information on the responsibility".

Alderman Kitz: "Did the Manager pursue the matter of an outside appraiser?"

City Manager: "No there has not been time for that".

Alderman Kitz: "Then the basis of your price comes from internal officials?"

City Manager: "The information I received on the sale value was outside".

Alderman Kitz: "I can't help feeling that the proper course would be to hire your outside appraiser and see if some negotiations can be made and if so, then that is the time to tell the man and let him take his other legal course".

Alderman DeWolf: "I do know of my own knowledge of one particular piece of land in that immediate area which I offered the owner \$1.50 per sq. ft. and the owner refused to accept it. I think it would be better for negotiations to carry on and that no further information be given".

Alderman Kitz: "I hope I am not expected to vote on a matter of value unless it is passed by competent persons. I want some experts opinion".

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the matter be deferred and further negotiations carried on after the employment of an appraiser and that the City Manager make a full report on the whole matter.

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Alderman Dunlop: "I would like to see a complete report from the officials concerned. I would like to have the Solicitor's report too. If the City is wrong I think the proper way to settle it is through the court and let the man get the full value for his land."

The motion was put and passed.

City Manager: "I wonder if Council would name an appraiser?"

Alderman Dunlop: "The last meeting the resolution was that the Manager and Solicitor select an appraiser".

SETTLEMENT FIRE LOSSES AT CITY FIELD.

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of City Council,  
From: Clerk of Works  
Date: April 22, 1954  
Subject: City Field - Settlement of Fire Loss

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on the above date, the attached report from the City Manager recommending acceptance of the settlement offered by the Insurance Adjuster was considered.

The Committee approved same, and also recommended that the loss of personal belongings exceeding \$50.00 be paid in full, provided the loss is verified.

Respectfully submitted

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per J.B. Sabeau,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and  
Members of City Council.  
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
Date: April 21, 1954  
Subject: City Field - Settlement of Fire Losses

We have had two fires at City Field. One in the garage was due to a fresh explosion brought about by a spark from a broken electric light igniting gasoline. The other in a shed was caused by an overheated trap pot. The following settlement

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has been offered by the adjuster.

PAYMENT UNDER BUILDING POLICY.

Garage building	\$4,000.00
Miscellaneous Tools & Equipment	347.69
Personal belongings	91.98
Tar Pot	75.00
Patchmobile	347.00
Storage Shed	4,554.40
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Total...	\$9,916.07

FLEET AUTO COVERAGE

Concrete Mixer	184.00
Sicard Snow Blower	302.00
Grader (D-12) No. 4	605.00
Ingersol Rand Compressor	424.00
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Total...	\$1,515.00

The Deputy Commissioner of Works and the City Manager recommend the acceptance of these settlements.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

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

Alderman Dunlop: "That is raising a dangerous precedent. If a man gets paid for loss in excess of \$50.00. We may be called upon to pay claims from people in the City Hall."

Alderman O'Malley: "How does this amount compare with the claim the City paid?"

City Manager: "We took the cost of making the repairs and added 20 % for contingencies and that raised the figure about \$400.00."

Alderman O'Malley: "You are being compensated fully?"

City Manager: "That is right".

Alderman O'Malley: "Who were involved in the personal loss?"

City Manager: "City workmen who had clothes in the building and one had a watch valued at \$60.00 which was lost in the fire."

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Alderman Lane: "Those men had no time to salvage anything. The man took the watch off to preserve it and that is reasonable. There was no opportunity for them to make an attempt to salvage anything."

Alderman Dunlop: "It is a question of a precedent that has a way of coming back to us. The next man might lose something for \$1,000.00 and he might ask for that."

The motion was put and passed 10 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Lane  
MacDonald  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Ahern  
Allen  
Vaughan  
MacMillan  
DeWolf  
Moriarty

AGAINST IT

Alderman Dunlop  
Kitz  
O'Malley

RE-ASSESSMENT

His Worship the Mayor stated that Mr. Nesser of the J.M. Cleminshaw Co., and also Messrs. Coombe and Peck of the Business Planning Associates of Toronto were present and would address Council on the matter of a re-assessment.

It was agreed that Mr. Nesser would be heard first, then Mr. Coombe and if a representative of the Charles Warnock Co. arrived, he would be heard last.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that Council adjourn and meet as a Committee of the whole.  
Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned. 8:35 P.M.

11:30 P.M. Council reconvened the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Lane, MacDonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern,

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Allen, Vaughan and MacMillan.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion Passed.

Meeting adjourned. 11:30 P.M.

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R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*W.P. Publicover*  
W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL

RICHARD ALPHONSUS DONAHOE, ESQ., Q. C., MAYOR

Office of the City Clerk,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
May 3, 1954.

Richard Alphonsus Donahoe, Esq., Q. C., having been on the 15th day of April A. D. 1954 by the City Clerk in the presence of the City Council, publicly declared duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the year ending April 30, 1955 at the election to be held on the 28th day of April A. D. 1954.

I do hereby certify that Richard Alphonsus Donahoe, Esq., Q. C., was on the 3rd day of May A.D. 1954, sworn before His Honour Alastair Fraser, Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia, at the City Hall, Halifax, N. S., by subscribing and taking the Oath of Allegiance and the Oath of Office of Mayor in the presence of the City Council.

*W. P. Publicover,*  
W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

ALDERMEN

Office of the City Clerk,  
Halifax, N. S.,  
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JOHN GERALD DeWOLF, WILLIAM B. MORIARTY WARD # 1, ABBIE LANE,  
WILLIAM C. DUNLOP, Q. C. WARD # 2, FRANK ADAMS, BURTON O. MACDONALD  
WARD # 3, JOHN E. LLOYD, LEONARD A KITZ WARD # 4, JOHN A. O'MALLEY,  
JOHN E. AHERN WARD # 5, CHARLES A. VAUGHAN, LLOYD W. ALLEN WARD  
# 6, A. HERMAN MacMILLAN, BYRON M. HATFIELD WARD # 7.

*W. P. Publicover*  
W. P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.



AFTERNOON SESSION  
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
May 3, 1954.  
4:00 P.M.

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After the meeting was called to order 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.

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Also present were Messrs. A.A. DeBard, Jr., W.P. Publicover, R.H. Stoddard, R.L. Rooney, A.J. Yeadon, L.M. Ronkey, G.F. West and Dr. A.R. Morton.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

1. Appointment of Deputy Mayor.
2. Appointment of Committees.

APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Alderman Kitz nominated Alderman Lane.

Alderman MacMillan nominated Alderman Macdonald.

Alderman Ahern nominated Alderman Adams who declined.

Moved by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that nominations cease. Motion passed.

A vote was taken on the nominees which resulted as follows:

FOR ALDERMAN LANE

Alderman DeWolf  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Kitz  
O'Malley  
Ahern  
Allen  
Vaughan

FOR ALDERMAN MACDONALD

Alderman Dunlop  
Hatfield  
MacMillan

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His Worship the Mayor then declared Alderman Lane duly appointed as Deputy Mayor of the City of Halifax for the present year.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

COMMITTEES 1954-1955

MAJOR COMMITTEES

Finance and Executive

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman  
Alderman DeWolf  
" Lane  
" Adams  
" Lloyd  
" O'Malley  
" Vaughan  
" MacMillan

Safety Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman  
Alderman Moriarty  
" Dunlop  
" Adams  
" MacMillan  
" O'Malley  
" Vaughan  
" Hatfield

Public Health and Welfare

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman  
Alderman DeWolf  
" Allen  
" Ahern  
" Lloyd  
" Lane  
" Kitz  
" Macdonald

Works Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman  
Alderman Moriarty  
" Dunlop  
" Kitz  
" Macdonald  
" Ahern  
" Allen  
" Hatfield

Other Committees, Directorates and Commissions

Arbitration between City, County and Town of Dartmouth

For the City of Halifax:  
Aldermen Kitz, Vaughan and Hatfield

Court House Commissioners

For the City of Halifax:  
Aldermen DeWolf, MacMillan and Hatfield

Forum Commission

His Worship the Mayor,  
Aldermen DeWolf and Moriarty  
Allan Doyle, L.J. Burke

Halifax Athletic Commission

Alderman Moriarty, George C. Fox,  
F. R. C. MacDonald

Historic Sites

Aldermen Dunlop and MacMillan  
Farbes Thresher, Major W.C. Borrett,  
Prof. D.C. Harvey and A.I. Lucas

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Jury Lists

City Assessor, City Clerk  
City Collector

Public Service Commission

Melvin S. Clarke

Recreation and Playgrounds

Alderman Ahern  
J. M. C. Duckworth

Retirement Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Deputy  
Mayor, Alderman Macdonald,  
City Solicitor, Commissioner  
of Finance

Slum Clearance

(reserve appointment)

Taxation and Assessment

Same as Finance Committee

Port of Halifax Commission

His Worship the Mayor, Alderman  
Moriarty, R.J.R. Nelson,  
F. D. Smith, Q.C.

Tourist Committee

His Worship the Mayor, Deputy  
Mayor, Committee Junior Board  
of Trade

Town Planning Board

Same as Works Committee

Voters Lists and Elections

His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen  
DeWolf, Moriarty, O'Malley,  
Vaughan, Hatfield, City Solicitor

His Worship the Mayor stated he would suggest a committee  
for the Slum Clearance & Public Housing Commission and also that  
the Community Planning Association wished to have a representative  
on same.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Morrison that  
the Commission as constituted be approved.

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FORUM COMMISSION

Alderman Hatfield referred to the Forum Commission members and said that 10 years was too long on the Commission.

His Worship the Mayor said he had re-nominated them as the terms expire this year.

Alderman Dunlop felt that a term of 5 years was too long. He said he would like to see Alderman Ahern on the Commission.

His Worship the Mayor read the Act setting up the Commission for the information of the Council.

Alderman Ahern nominated Alderman Macdonald and Adams who declined.

Alderman Ahern nominated Ex-Alderman J.H. Conn.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Alderman Allen.

It was agreed to defer the appointment of the Forum Commission until the next regular meeting of Council.

The following changes to the Major Committees were approved:  
Safety Committee-Alderman Kitz in place of Alderman Vaughan.  
Public Health & Welfare Committee- Alderman Vaughan in place of Alderman Lloyd.

Committee on Works - Alderman Lloyd in place of Alderman Kitz.

It was then moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the Committee list as amended be approved. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Allen that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 4:40 P.M.

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*R.A. Donahoe*  
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MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

*W.P. Publicover*  
W.P. PUBLICOVER,  
CITY CLERK.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
THURSDAY  
MAY 13, 1954  
A G E N D A

Prayer.

Minutes.

1. Public Hearing re Rezoning a portion of Cook Ave. from Perk & Institutional to First Density Residential.
2. " " Rezoning a portion of Columbus St. from Second Density Residential to Third Density Residential.
3. " " Official Street Lines Carleton St.
4. Motion by Alderman Hatfield re Bridge Across North West Arm.
5. " " Lloyd re City Field 40 Hour Week.
6. " " Ahern re Memorial Drive.
7. Accounts over \$500.00.
8. Account late Lemuel P. DeLong.
9. Residence Requirements Unmarried Mothers.
10. License Fee Underwriting Agencies.
11. Prefab Housing Payments.
12. Land for Highway Improvement Melville Cove Road.
13. City Lock-Up.
14. City Hall Union 5 Day Week - Overtime Rate.
15. City Field Union 40 Hour Week.
16. Boet Club North West Arm.
17. Release of Legislative Grants.
18. " " Occupancy Tax Grants.
19. Conventions.
20. Appointment Commissioner of Works.
21. Permanent Stock of 1880.
22. National Harbours Board Grant.
23. Report on Building Inspector.
24. Improvement of Commission St. including Installation of Sewer.
25. Land Howe Avenue (Eastern Equipment Limited).
26. Amendment to Ordinance #13A Respecting Taxi Meters (Second Reading.)
27. Board of School Commissioners Surplus Land Bayers Road.
28. City Electrician's Department Salaries.
29. Dartmouth Natal Day.
30. Tag Days (4).
31. Purchase of Recording Equipment.
32. Tenders for Loan \$2,000,000.00.
33. Tenders for Insurance.
34. Tenders for Groceries and Fish.
35. Financial Statement 1953.
36. Tax Write-offs \$174.07.
37. Extension of Leave Mrs. Ethel Doyle.
38. Halifax Forum Renewal of Advance \$15,000.00.
39. Resolution Halifax Board of Trade re Appearance at Private and Local Bills Committee.
40. Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission Use of City Crest.
41. Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Financing Agreement.
42. Salvation Army Capital Appeal.
43. Capital Authorizations for Board of School Commissioners.
44. Titles of Land Memorial Drive.
45. Exchange of Land with Federal Government.
46. Supplementary Appropriation \$1,000.00 Halifax Regional Library Board.
47. Claims for Blasting Damage Connaught Avenue.
48. Bayers Road Sewer Outlet.
49. Resubdivision of Lands B. D. Stevens Desmond Ave.
50. " " Lots 3, 4 & 5 Maling Subdivision Young St.
51. " " Lands A. G. Archibald Belmont Road.
52. Application W. A. Smith to Erect a Dwelling on Undersized Lots on Seaforth St.
53. Regulations to Amend Town Planning Act.
54. Rezoning Veith, Hanover Streets and Devonshire Avenue.
55. Expropriation of Land Bayers Road Street Widening.

56. Clock Nova Scotia Light & Power Co., Ltd.
57. Overhanging Signs.
58. Ordinance #46 Television Antennae. (First Reading).
59. Quit Claim Deed for Lots Greenwood Avenue.
60. Street Lighting.
61. Sale of House Kempt Road.
62. Fire Alarm Signal Box.
63. Appointment of Committee Re Rental Control.
64. " " " Prison Farm.
65. " " " Slum Clearance & Public Housing.
66. " " " Forum Commission.
67. " " " Directors Point Pleasant Park.
68. Subdivision City Prison Property East Side of Robie St.
69. Welfare Division Salaries.
70. Parking Meters Spring Garden Road Area.
71. Report City Solicitor re Herritt Claim.
72. Questions.

Deferred Item

Rezoning Charles, Maynard, Creighton & West Sts. Area.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Manager's Administrative Report.  
Prefab Housing Statistical Report.  
Approvals Department Municipal Affairs.  
Parking Lot Revenues.

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

The following named reports were submitted:

MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman MacMillan that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved.

Motion passed.

REZONING PORTION COOK AVE. FROM PARK & INSTITUTIONAL TO  
FIRST DENSITY RESIDENTIAL

A Public Hearing on the matter of rezoning a portion of Cook Avenue from Park and Institutional to First Density Residential was held at this time.

The City Clerk read a letter of protest as follows:

THE NOVA SCOTIA DIVISION

Community Planning Association of Canada  
Halifax, Nova Scotia

May 10, 1954

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council:

May 15, 1954.

Re: Public Hearing in the Matter of Rezoning of a  
Portion of Cook Avenue from Park and  
Institutional to First Density Residential.

Dear Sirs:

The Halifax Branch of the Community Planning Association of Canada hereby registers its objections to the above Rezoning.

It is our feeling that we have little enough open space in our residential areas now without endangering what we do have for the sake of more houses. If this request is to be approved then there can be little basis for not approving a recent request for a portion of Horses Field for building purposes.

We have discussed this matter with Mr. Greg. Donovan, City Recreation Director, and he has stated that he does not believe this rezoning would be in the best interests of the Park area as a whole.

We would request, therefore, that this rezoning not be granted.

Yours truly,

Chairman, Zoning Committee,  
Community Planning Association of Canada.

His Worship the Mayor asked if anyone were present in favor of the rezoning.

Mrs. McPhail: "I live just across from this property under discussion. This spring there was from 2 to 3 feet of water in the pond and I found it necessary to tie my son and one day he got away and fell in the pond and had a neighbor not been there he would have drowned. That pond is filled up again and it is an eyesore. The children play there on their way to school. I would like to see some building put up across there. It would be very unhealthy this summer."

Mr. C.A. Carr: "I live at 28 Cook Ave. Looking up some of the remarks Mrs. McPhail made this property is absolutely an eyesore. Everything is being done that is possible to make our properties look better. This vacant area is an eyesore and a dumping ground for tin cans. We feel a couple of houses there



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would be a great asset to the street and the area. We recommend that the Council take the necessary action to have a couple houses built in this area."

Alderman Lloyd: "Who owns the land?"

His Worship the Mayor: "The request came from the Community Housing Ltd."

Alderman Kitz arrives 8:10 P.M.

Alderman Vaughan: "If this is rezoned this land is presently owned by Community Housing Ltd. Was this conveyed to the City by deed? Who holds the park? Who maintains the park?"

Alderman Lloyd: "Does not Central Mortgage & Housing own the land?"

Alderman Hatfield: "Central Mortgage & Housing conveyed it all to Community Housing Ltd."

Alderman Vaughan: "Did not Council pay \$14,000.00 to Central Mortgage for park lands in that area?"

City Manager: "No. It was talked about but it never went through. I had that checked. We never paid the money."

Alderman DeWolf: "The City agreed to pay the money; are they still liable?"

City Manager: "I don't actually know but the money was not paid."

Alderman Hatfield: "Community Housing would be glad to deed it over for nothing."

His Worship the Mayor: "The recommendation of the Town Planning Board was against this rezoning."

Alderman Lloyd: "I asked the question because I did not know who owned the land. I thought Central Mortgage still owned it."

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the rezoning be approved.

Alderman Hatfield: "Community Housing intend to construct

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a playground area between Cook and Vaughan Avenues. Community Housing has been assessed sewer for \$290.00 along that area. It is full of water 9 months of the year. There are already 5 entrances to the green area. It would not do any good to keep it as an entrance if it is a swamp. I think Mr. Donovan, Recreation Director, would be perfectly satisfied and we are going to discuss with him the playground equipment Community Housing Ltd. is going to provide. We want to stop the people from walking across there. They are breaking down the fences."

Alderman Vaughan: "I would like to know more about the background of this Land Assembly plan. I recall Mr. Dudley of Central Mortgage came here and argued the point of open spaces. If no money has been paid to Central Mortgage then there must be a claim against the City."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan that the matter be deferred for one month to secure further information.

There was no seconder to the amendment.

The motion was then put and passed 9 voting for and 1 against as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf  
Lane  
Macdonald  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Kitz  
Ahern  
Allen  
MacMillan

AGAINST IT

Alderman Vaughan

Alderman Hatfield was excused from voting.

PUBLIC HEARING REZONING PORTION COLUMBUS ST. FROM SECOND DENSITY  
TO THIRD DENSITY RESIDENTIAL

The City Clerk advised that the owner of this land wished to have the application in this case withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Kitz that the request to withdraw be granted and reported to the Town Planning Board. Motion passed.

March 19, 1934.

PUBLIC HEARING OFFICIAL STREET PLAN CARLETON, N.B.

A PUBLIC HEARING was held at the office of the Official Street Plan Commission, St. John's, Nfld., on the 19th day of March, 1934, and the Official Street Plan for the City of Carleton Place, N.B., was read at that time.

As no persons appeared for or against the plan, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS the City Council of the City of Halifax has considered the plan and has approved the same as an official street plan for Carleton Street from the American College to the intersection of the same with the street which was proposed to be laid out as a street in the City of Halifax;

AND WHEREAS the plan is in accordance with Section 10 of the City Charter and the plan is in accordance with the various provisions of the City Charter and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax;

AND WHEREAS the plan is in accordance with the plan of the City of Halifax and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax;

AND WHEREAS the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax and the plan is in accordance with the published plan of the City of Halifax;

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western official street lines of Carleton Street from University Avenue to College Street hereinbefore referred to in the manner set out on a plan filed in the Office of the Commissioner of Works as Section 17B of the City Official Plan, whereby the said official lines as altered are shown in solid blue lines:

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that, pursuant to the authority in it vested by Section 551A of the City Charter as aforesaid, the Official Plan of the City be amended by relocating the official street lines of Carleton Street from University Avenue to College Street as hereinbefore described in the manner shown on Section 17B of the Official City Plan.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said official street lines of Carleton Street from University Avenue to College Street so varied be so indicated on the Official Plan of the City and upon the copy thereof filed in the Office of the Registrar of Deeds at Halifax, Nova Scotia.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in accordance with the provisions of Section 549 of the City Charter the Commissioner of Works do forthwith set up adequate bounds or monuments to mark the said official street lines as varied and make a record of the date of the setting up of such bounds or monuments and the location and nature of the same.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the resolution be approved. Motion passed.

8:25 P.M. Alderman O'Malley arrives.

CITY-ARMY EXCHANGE OF LAND

Halifax, N.S.,  
May 13, 1954.

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

The attached letter from the Deputy Minister of National Defence respecting the exchange of land was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the proposal as outlined in the letter be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK,

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY MINISTER  
OTTAWA

April 23rd, 1954

Dear Mayor Donahoe:

It is my understanding that the City of Halifax has recently acquired 18 lots adjacent to Garrison Barracks which it wishes to exchange with this department for a parcel of Crown land in the immediate vicinity of the drill hall at Garrison Barracks for development as a school site. The two parcels in question are marked and described on the attached plan. You are no doubt aware that the department is anxious to reacquire the remainder of the land at Artillery Park which was transferred some time ago to the City to facilitate the widening of Brunswick Street. It is understood that the City has now abandoned the plan for this widening and, accordingly, that the land may be available for transfer to this department.

In view of the foregoing, the Department of National Defence would be prepared to recommend to the Governor-in-Council that the Crown convey the three acre parcel of land within Garrison Barracks and adjacent to the drill hall to the City of Halifax. In return, the City will convey to the Crown the 1.7 acre parcel of land recently acquired from Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation together with the remaining parcel of land of approximately .13 acres fronting on Brunswick Street at Artillery Park. This exchange is to be made on the understanding that the City will accept our children in the new school on the same basis as the children of property owners in the area, and that the City will construct a road on the east side of the property so acquired by them, in order to give access to the plant of the Royal Print and Lithograph Company.

I would be grateful if you would let me have your views on this proposal.

Yours sincerely,

(C.M. Drury)  
Deputy Minister.

His Worship R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
Mayor of the City of Halifax,  
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

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

His Worship the Mayor outlined the proposed  
formation of Council.

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Alderman Vaughan said this was a matter of great importance to the City of Halifax as it concerned education for the children. There are many children of school age in the Oxford St., Armdale and Westmount School areas as a result of additional housing in that part of the City. In 1946 the School Board was advised land was needed in this area for additional accommodations as it was the responsibility of the Board to provide a full education for the children of the City and a full education could not be had as long as children are crowded into overcrowded schools. He urged Council to support the exchange agreement that had been spent by the Hon. John Dickey in Ottawa with the Military Authorities to provide school land in this area.

Alderman Lane said she was at a loss to understand why the additional block of land on Brunswick St. was included in the exchange. Also she did not like the rider in the agreement where the City must accept Army Personnel children in the school and asked if the City did not do so in the past. She stated the job on Brunswick St. was producing revenue for the City.

His Worship the Mayor read a portion of his letter to the Deputy Minister in which he outlined the policy of the Board of Education Commissioners respecting children of Army Personnel attending City Schools.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the City negotiate with the Army for the piece of land in question as outlined on the map minus the Brunswick Street piece.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City was getting more land than it was giving viz: approximately 3 acres as against 1 and 8/10ths.

Alderman Lane said even though there was no cash transaction involved the Army was getting it in the education of the children.

Alderman Lloyd said he contacted the School Board on the matter at the time limit on the school. Plans would have to be drawn up and tenders called for which would have to be made by April of 1955 before the School would be available and it would be up to the Board to transfer the children from where they are now to the new school.

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September 1955. He suggested a 25% increase in the new further negotiations with respect to the Brunswick Street property. If money were to be paid by the City for the purchase, it would come from the Land Sale Account and would be paid in installments.

His Worship the Mayor stated the Army is anxious to acquire the Brunswick Street portion because there are plans for alterations at Artillery Park to be converted into officers' quarters. He said he felt pressure could be brought to bear on the Army to sell it outright but he thought the proposed exchange was best for the citizens of Halifax.

Alderman Kitz said the School Board is not aware of the plans, 12 months ahead but 3 or 4 years. He said the proposed exchange was too bad as the City was getting an extra lot for the exchange. He said he was going to support the exchange.

Alderman O'Malley suggested that the exchange be through subject to the leases of the lot being purchased and that there be a one year period.

Alderman Lloyd said there was a great deal of interest in the proposition by Alderman O'Malley as it would give the City one year to decide what steps it would take.

His Worship the Mayor asked Col. Manuel if it could seriously be considered the Army plans if they were held up concerning the Brunswick Street site to which he said the whole lot would be held up for one year. It was pointed out that the piece of land under discussion would have the same brick building at a cost of \$70,000.00 to be converted into officers' quarters. He also said that the other piece of land was originally owned by the D.N.D. and that it was sold for \$7,000.00 because Brunswick Street was built on it.

Alderman Lloyd asked if any structure was on the land, the City D.N.D. property Citadel M. ... which was ... in the ...

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Alderman Vaughan said the City acquired this land recently from Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation and the Army could have bought it themselves by dealing with Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation in Ottawa. The exchange was arranged to give the City extra land for a school site.

Mr. E.F. Cragg appeared on behalf of Citadel Motors Ltd. and stated that he had picked up several statements that had been inaccurately made. This lot on Brunswick Street was providing a service to the City by removing about 30 cars off the streets and if they were put in congested areas it would cause a traffic problem. The Chief of Police will still recommend that this particular area be retained as a parking lot. If the Army had any plans for beautification he suggested they beautify what they already own. This is an important matter to the lessees as they have been there since 1948 paying a fair rental and have made offers to buy the land. The taxes paid by the Company are well in excess of \$20,000.00 a year and they need the property. Nothing could be lost until Council had all the facts. The concrete wall opposite Citadel Motors Ltd. was falling down for years and the Army took no steps to do anything about it and he was told the City repaired it. There are so many things entering the picture that he did not think the Army should force the thing through.

Alderman O'Malley stated he was talking to a representative of the Company who told him the lot was used for cars taken in on trade and placed there as they were so busy they could not work on them. The Company obtained the lot from the City on a 30 day lease. He felt the D.N.D. would be prepared to permit the Company to remain there until May 1, 1955.

Col. Manuel said he would be delighted to put the suggestion of Alderman O'Malley before Army Headquarters.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that consideration of this matter be deferred until the next regular



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meeting of City Council.

Mr. M. Keating of the School Board said a survey was taken in 1946 and there was a need for a school in the area. Last year a second survey was made and the situation was worse. A report showed two schools were needed and should be opened this coming September. He said each day that passed by meant a higher price on the contract. The Brunswick Street piece of land did not concern the Board as it did not enter the school program but each day it is held up, the situation is that much more aggravated.

Alderman Lloyd asked if the School would be available by next September to which Mr. Keating replied plans had not been drawn up as yet.

Alderman Lloyd asked how long would he estimate. Mr. Keating said that would be up to the architect. The Bayers Road School it was hoped to be finished by January. Each day delay affects the building of the school.

Alderman DeWolf said he had not heard any logical reason to defer. The Army has been asking for the land for sometime and if they want it they will get it one way or the other.

The motion to defer was put and passed 7 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Macdonald  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Ahern  
Allen  
Hatfield  
MacMillan

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Lane  
Kitz  
O'Malley  
Vaughan  
DeWolf

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MOTION ALDERMAN HATFIELD RE: BRIDGE ACROSS NORTH WEST ARM

Alderman Hatfield submitted and read the following brief:

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CONSTRUCTION OF ARM BRIDGE AND ROAD

May 13, 1954.

Your Worship:

I believe that all citizens of Halifax and suburbs were pleased to read the remarks of the Premier concerning the Fairview Bottleneck. Tonight I do not intend to deal with it as it is now in good hands and a report will no doubt be forthcoming shortly.

While I am not as familiar with the traffic jams at Fairview as I am at Armdale, yet I would be very surprised to find the long line ups at Fairview as are now experienced at the Arm Bridge.

So much time has now passed since both these bottlenecks became apparent that all citizens are paying dearly for something they could reasonably expect the elected leaders to have taken in their stride and made the necessary provision to meet. I mean by this that at least the land should have been purchased and held until needed to correct a problem bound to arise.

Before dealing with the construction of an Arm bridge itself I want to add another suggested solution which has now been apparently lost forever. That would have been the extension of Bayers Road out into the County in an arc in one direction to meet the St. Margaret's Bay Road and in another to meet the Bedford Road somewhere near Bedford. Houses now block this proposal completely and it is useless to deal with it any further.

In 1945 a proposal for an Arm Bridge was suggested in the Master Plan. Is it feasible? I consider it feasible for many reasons and will elaborate by comparing this proposal with the Arm Bridge exit where a comparison can be drawn.

(1) Location - I doubt if anyone without a thorough study of layouts could definitely fix a proposed location but from a quick glance I would suggest either the foot of Oakland Road or the foot of South Street. I would give preference to Oakland Road as the road leading west on the County side is nearer to this outlet.

The value of this location to all concerned is that it gives a closer exit out of the City for nearly one-half of the citizens.

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(2) Flow of traffic - The most trying times at the Arm Bridge are at the morning and evening rush hours. The worst time being between 4:30 and 6:15. Without going into the traffic counts, which, incidentally, should be made periodically for argument sake if for nothing else, it is obvious that traffic turning left and proceeding south towards Melville Cove and Spryfield is holding up the flow both to and from St. Margaret's Bay Road.

Construction of an Arm Bridge would greatly eliminate this trouble as traffic proceeding west across the bridge and its connecting road would for the most part turn right and not across traffic.

(3) Delay because of steep grades - All of us have experienced the long wait to get to the Armdale Bottleneck, then what happens --you find yourself behind a heavy transport with the driver struggling to get his transport into extra low gear so he can get up either of the two hills ahead of him

If we constructed a bridge at the Dingle it would have little grade at either end.

(4) - Exits on the County side - A casual study of the map near the Dingle will show a road leading from the Dingle to the Purcells Cove Road, to the Herring Cove Road and eventually to the Prospect Road. These roads will naturally need to be widened, straightened and improved but they would form a good start for a trunk road direct to Hubley's Station at the Head of St. Margaret's Bay.

(5) Streets in Halifax near proposed bridge - Little would need to be done to provide traffic arteries on the City side of such a proposed bridge. The present flow of traffic to the Armdale Bottleneck is presently passing some of our larger schools, such as Chebucto, Oxford Street, St. Agnes, Sir John Thompson, Westmount and Edgewood Schools. The proposed bridge would divert a lot of this traffic and only one School would be moderately affected

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and that is Gorsebrook School.

(6) Land for housing development - This bridge would supply the needed land for housing development close enough to be desirable. As for myself I do not own any lands in the area and have no connection with anyone owning such land.

(7) Fleming Park - This beauty spot would then come into its own.

(8) Expropriation costs - The cost of acquiring and developing a bridge and road in this area would be quite reasonable at the present time. To acquire land to widen the St. Margaret's Bay Road as it stands is something no one would like to contemplate and indeed we can still observe construction work going on along the road in sections which would have to be acquired for widening. I therefore completely discount any efforts which can be made to improve this highway, now or in the future. Traffic must necessarily find a new route out of the City and St. Margaret's Bay Road as we now know it must become a secondary route.

(9) The City's economy - If our exits continue to be choked with traffic as they are at the present time our customers living in the County will become discouraged to the extent that promoters will construct large consumer outlets outside the City.

(10) Heavy costs of a bottleneck - Let us not worry too much about the cost of a bridge. It could easily be paid for by the gas consumption of the cars waiting to get through the bottleneck yet going nowhere. There is also the waste of the productive energy of thousands of people waiting on an average of ten to fifteen minutes each to get in or out of the City. Both the City and Federal authorities must provide extra constables to guide the traffic at the Armdale Bottleneck. This should not be necessary if the traffic circle is completed and an Arm Bridge at the Dingle provided.

(11) Emergency exit - Finally the matter of Civil Defence becomes our paramount consideration. Certainly another exit will do no

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harm. We do not need to have the test of an emergency to see that the Armdale Bottleneck is insufficient to handle the traffic, it cannot even handle normal traffic.

In conclusion, it would seem to me that we have not only been elected, along with other governing bodies, to correct the errors of the past but to look progressively to the future and make plans to ease the burden on the taxpayers by progressive measures, and I consider that the construction of an Arm Bridge to be one which most citizens, both of the City and County, would heartily endorse.

I would therefore move that this Council go on record as favoring the construction of an Arm Bridge and that a delegation from the City government seek a conference with Provincial authorities to promote its construction.

The motion as moved by Alderman Hatfield was seconded by Alderman Lloyd.

It was moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of the City Council. Amendment passed.

MOTION ALDERMAN LLOYD RE: 40 HOUR WEEK CITY FIELD

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the resolution passed by the City Council at the March regular meeting respecting the 40 hour week for City Field workers, be rescinded.

Alderman Lloyd: "Two months would provide us with information before we went ahead in January 1955 with the new working arrangements. If we don't do something now, come January we are going to have a difficult time to decide just what are satisfactory rates of pay."

A report was submitted from the City Manager showing the wage payroll on Saturdays of July and August 1953 which amounted to \$20,174.95.

Alderman Vaughan: "Did the City Manager get the rates of pay from other Cities?"

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City Manager: "I did not recall that, Alderman Vaughan. I gave that information to you on the latest figures available in a memo from the other cities. I have just received in the last few days from the Canadian Federation of Mayors & Municipalities, the latest rates and we had a fairly good average rate."

Alderman Lane: "The Manager says it would cost \$50,000. to \$60,000. additional?"

City Manager: "That is right."

Alderman Lloyd: "Can you explain to me the comparison of our workers and those of the Public Service Commission? Do they pay the same rates in the Commission?"

City Manager: "They have their labor graded. Their rate would run perhaps \$1.10 or \$1.12. It is slightly higher than ours. They classify them in a skilled category."

Alderman Vaughan said it would cost between \$25,000 and 30,000 for the balance of this year.

The City Manager said it would cost more than that as all the heavy work is done in the summer. He hazarded a guess it would be around \$40,000.

Alderman Vaughan: "How can we draw any conclusion unless we know the facts?"

Alderman Lloyd: "The reason to rescind is to get that information. Some men find themselves finishing at an early hour in the afternoon. When you go to the garage mechanics you have a different problem. You have the sewer men. I felt we should try for 2 months to shake down the bugs and kinks in this operation. The responsibility for a policy with respect to hours of work is the responsibility of Council. The Manager's job is to see that the maximum production comes from the men. If we wait till January we will have all kinds of difficulties when we make our budget. We take two months this year to work the 40 hour week and combine with it what affect the shift of hours will have on the Field."

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Lloyd  
Kitz  
Ahern  
Allen  
Vaughan  
Hatfield  
MacMillan  
DeWolf  
Lane

AGAINST IT

Alderman Macdonald  
Adams  
O'Malley

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that for the months of July and August this year, the City Field workers be placed on a 40 hour week basis and be paid the same take-home-pay, and if funds are not available from the current estimates, that they be provided under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter.

His Worship the Mayor: "We are told the same work can be done at no extra cost."

Alderman Vaughan: "All those covered by the Agreement are to work 40 hours and be paid the same take-home-pay they are getting on a 44 hour week?"

Alderman Lloyd: "That is right."

Alderman Vaughan: "Is there any suggestion that this be a Saturday off or are we to have a staggering of certain services?"

City Manager: "The Union offered that."

Alderman Vaughan: "We are going to get 6 days service from a 5 day staff?"

City Manager: "Yes."

Alderman Kitz: "Do you now have a contract of employment with this Union and if so what is the existing arrangement regarding hours of work per week?"

City Manager: "We have no signed contract with the Union at present. The Union has one point which it did not agree with

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the City and that was the 40 hour week. Up to now the Council said no. The hours remain the same."

Alderman Kitz: "I presume the intention of the Union was for 12 months and not 2 months."

City Manager: "That is right but they made a counter proposal that it be done for a shorter time."

Alderman Macdonald: "What percent of increase in pay would that be for this period?"

City Manager: "10%."

Alderman DeWolf: "The resolution is wrong as some work 45 hours and get paid for 50. We might as well make it 10% increase for the summer months. They are not all working 40 hours. It is 10% across the board for 2 months. Is that not it?"

City Manager: "That is right."

Alderman Lloyd: "There can be an improvement in the production of work. You will certainly bring out the issue if you follow the recommendation I have made, well in advance of January 1955."

Alderman Kitz: "How can you take exception to what Alderman DeWolf says when it will be a 10% increase. We are starting to embark on a 40 hour week and I have my eyes open to that fact."

Alderman Lloyd: "If you give 10% does my colleague from Ward 4 suggest that there is anything impractical for us to settle this thing that has been back filled around this Council for many years? Does he suggest there is anything wrong for us to take 2 months to see how much work can be produced. The Union has stated it can be done better. The Manager says he thinks it can be improved upon. I think it is a challenge to the Manager to see it is done."

Alderman Kitz: "Are we to anticipate a dropping off in the other 10 months?"



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Alderman Lloyd: "It is very interesting union or no union. Nobody objects to the 40 hour week. You have to have measuring sticks at the City Field. With the Manager system I thought we would have had it long ago but we have not got it yet. I think this is a challenge. Let us see who is right or wrong."

Alderman O'Malley: "The Job Evaluation Committee was set up and their recommendation was for an increase of 3¢ per hour. Council later put it up to 6¢. We now have a request from the Union for a 40 hour week. At this time of the year I don't think we should embark on any program that is going to cost the City any extra dollars. We have the 5 day week from the City Hall Union."

His Worship the Mayor: "That is from the City Manager because the Union did not request it."

Alderman O'Malley: "In order to give the 5 day week he suggests the employees come in  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour earlier. I think the resolution passed previously on the 40 hour week should have stood. In order to satisfy the Union on a 5 day week and give them the same take home pay the same should apply to the City Field that they come to work at 7:30 A.M. The practical thing to do is to bring them in  $\frac{1}{2}$  hour earlier and give them the 5 day week for the summer."

Alderman Lloyd asked what the proportion of capital costs were to current for the summer months and the number of men employed.

The City Manager stated at present there were 158 on the labor force and during the summer months it would go up to 275 or 290. He could not tell the proportion of workers engaged in capital as against current except in a dollar way and that was 3 current to 1 capital.

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

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FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Adams  
Lloyd  
Kitz  
Ahern  
Allen  
Vaughan  
Hatfield  
MacMillan  
Lane

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AGAINST IT

Alderman O'Malley  
DeWolf  
Macdonald

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MOTION ALDERMAN AHERN RE: MEMORIAL DRIVE

Alderman Ahern requested that his motion be deferred until the next regular meeting of Council.

Alderman Vaughan: "It should now be taken up or stricken from the Council Agenda."

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the matter be now discussed.

Alderman Ahern said that 5 residents from Ward 6 wish to appear and he promised it would be dealt with next month.

His Worship the Mayor read the Rules of Order of Council respecting this matter for the information of the Council.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Lloyd  
Kitz  
Allen  
Vaughan  
Hatfield

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AGAINST IT

Alderman O'Malley  
Ahern  
MacMillan  
DeWolf  
Lane  
Macdonald  
Adams

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ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

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To: His Worship R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and  
Members of the City Council,

From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: May 12, 1954

Subject: Accounts over \$500.00

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In accordance with Section 119F of the City Charter, the following accounts are submitted for Council's approval. These accounts have been certified and audited.

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>VENDOR</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
Mayor	Wallace Advertising Ltd.	Advertising	\$775.00
Works	L.E. Shaw, Limited	Sewer Pipe	1,040.50
Public Gardens	Quebec & Maritimes Trading Co.	Power mowers & sprayer attachments	528.81
Works	Public Service Commission	Repairs to Main on Gottingen St.	2,520.01
Works	J.B. Wilber -Lumber	Lumber	766.94
Works	Trainor Auto Service Ltd.	1 Intl. One Ton Truck	2,260.00
Finance & Accounting	Eastern Trust Company	Superannuation Requirements	150,350.00
Finance & Accounting	The Allen Print Ltd.	Financial Statements	600.60
Finance & Accounting	Central Mtge. & Housing Corp.	25% share of Expenditures on Fed. Prov Project for quarter ending Mar. 31/54	23,673.44
Health (T.B.Hospital)	Fisher & Burpe Limited	9 litre Collins Respirometer	50.00
Library	W.H. Smith & Son (Canada) Ltd.	Books	2,024.84
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			\$ 185,090.14
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A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

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

ACCOUNT LATE MR. LEMUEL P. DELONG

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

From: C.P. Bethune, Q.C., City Solicitor

Date: May 13, 1954

Subject: Re: late Lemuel P. DeLong

May 13, 1954.

On August 7, 1953 one Lemuel P. DeLong, a resident of the City of Halifax for over thirty years, died in the Nova Scotia Hospital. At the time of his death he was indebted to the City of Halifax in the sum of \$324.15 for maintenance in the Victoria General Hospital. It has been recently learned that there is an Old Age Security pension amounting to \$120.00 belonging to the estate of Mr. DeLong.

There is no record that the deceased left a Will. Application for administration of his estate has not been made by the next of kin, presumably because the estate is insolvent. A creditor has the authority to apply for administration. The cost involved is under \$15.00.

Under the circumstances it is recommended that the City Council authorize Mr. George J. Allen, the City Treasurer, to apply for administration of the estate of the late Lemuel P. DeLong on behalf of the City of Halifax, and that the matter be referred to this department for the purpose of following the procedure required by law in cases of this nature.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR

Per. R. Leo. Rooney.

c.c. Mr. A.A. DeBard, Jr.  
CITY MANAGER.

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

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS UNMARRIED MOTHERS

W H E R E A S the Canadian Welfare Council has recommended to the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities that provincial governments be requested to assume entire financial responsibility for the maintenance of unmarried mothers and their children, where economic assistance from public funds is necessary, as follows:

(a) Payment of hospitalization for mother and child at the time of confinement;

(b) Payment of maintenance during pre-natal and post-natal care when needed;

(c) Payment of maintenance for children in the care of recognized child-caring organizations until satisfactory permanent plans are made for them, and maintenance during wardship if such action is necessary.

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AND WHEREAS the Executive Director of the said Federation has circularized all its members, advising them of the above recommendations.

AND WHEREAS the Committee on Public Health and Welfare of the City of Halifax, after receiving a report from the Commissioner of Public Health and Welfare, is in agreement with the said recommendations and resolved to recommend the same to the City Council.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this Council endorse the said recommendations and request that the Government of the Province of Nova Scotia assume entire financial responsibility for the maintenance of unmarried mothers and their children as above set forth in such cases where economic assistance from public funds is necessary.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Minister of Public Health and Welfare of the Province of Nova Scotia and that the Executive Director of the said Federation be advised of this action by the Council.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion Passed.

LICENSE FEE UNDERWRITING AGENCIES

May 13, 1954

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and  
Members of the City Council,  
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
Date: April 24, 1954  
Subject: License fee on "Underwriting Agencies"

Since 1936 there has been a difference of opinion between the Assessor and the City Solicitor as to the propriety of assessing certain insurance agencies who call themselves "underwriters".

The City Solicitor has ruled that in spite of their titles, they do not actually issue policies and are thus not subject to the license fee. The problem is no longer present since the word "underwriter" has been removed from the titles.

Permission is requested to write off the license fee assessments totalling \$9,933.36.

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St. Lawrence Underwriters of Western Assur. Co.	\$3,400.00
Winnipeg Fire Underwriters Agency	2,400.00
Atlantic Fire Underwriters Agency	1,200.00
Nova Scotia Fire Underwriters of the Home Insurance Company of N.Y.	800.00
Manufacturers Mutual Fire Ins. Co.	883.34
Manufacturers Mutual Fire Ins. Co.	483.34*
Manufacturers Mutual Fire Ins. Co.	283.34*
Manufacturers Mutual Fire Ins. Co.	483.34*
*Duplication.	<hr/> \$9,933.36 <hr/>

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

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

PREFAB HOUSING PAYMENTS

Halifax, N.S.,  
May 10, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, the attached report from the City Manager respecting Prefabricated Housing Payments was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the City Manager be authorized to use his own discretion up to a period of three months and in any case where a purchaser is in arrears for a period greater than three months, the matter be reported to the Finance and Executive Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK

May 13, 1954

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee

From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: April 24, 1954

Subject: Prefabricated Housing Payments

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Over the years some purchasers of Prefabricated Houses have permitted payments to fall behind one or more months. These payments are very low - even lower than similar houses would command in rents. Considering the lower carrying charges as against the cost of mortgages from other lenders, purchasers should live up to their obligations.

At the next Finance and Executive Committee meeting a request will be made that the general policy be to start repossession proceedings when the payments are more than one month overdue.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

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

Alderman Kitz: "I question whether it would be upheld in the Court. I think three months is much too strict."

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

LAND FOR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT MELVILLE COVE ROAD

Halifax, N.S.,  
May 10, 1954.

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

A report from the City Manager respecting City of Halifax land used by the Provincial Government for improving the Melville Cove Road was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that Mr. G.A. Gladwin be engaged to act as appraiser in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

CITY LOCK-UP

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
and Members of City Council,

From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: April 30, 1954

Subject: City Lock-Up.

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The City Manager and Chief of Police submit the following answers to questions asked by Alderman Kitz at the City Council meeting of April 15, 1954.

- Q.1. Is it a fact that in the City Lock-Up the prisoners kept overnight and over week-ends are provided with only a metal platform on which to lie down, and that no blankets are supplied?
- A.1. Prisoners are kept in cells with metal benches or platforms for sitting or lying down. It has been found that sheet metal is strong and easier to keep free of vermin than any other substance. Blankets are not provided since some prisoners might use them to attempt suicide and the problem of vermin would be greatly magnified. As a routine matter, belts, suspenders, etc., are taken from most prisoners to prevent harm to themselves. From 1950 to 1952 there were two deaths in this way.
- Q.2. Does the same apply to the Lock-Up section for women prisoners?
- A.2. Yes - same reasons apply.
- Q.3. Is it a fact that no food is supplied to overnight prisoners until noon?
- A.3. Yes - apparently a matter of long custom, possibly because prisoners apprehended for drinking usually do not care for breakfast. The Committee may decide to recommend that breakfast be offered to prisoners should they care to have it.
- Q.4. Do the Lock-Up Regulations prevent prisoners from phoning their solicitors or bondsmen in order to arrange bail?
- A.4. Yes. Prisoners are not permitted to go to a telephone for security reasons. Any prisoner, intoxicated or sober, requesting that his family be notified, has his request granted as soon as possible. Bondsmen or attorneys are not called until an intoxicated prisoner sobers up at which time the calls are made by a policeman usually before normal business hours, during business hours or in the evening. In cases involving a criminal charge where the accused is sober, calls are made, at any hour.

Our facilities are classed as a lock-up, not a jail or prison hence the facilities given to the prisoners are limited. Some sanitary facilities have been replaced five or six times in the last two years. Two sheet metal doors enclosing the toilet and bath in the women's lock-up were torn from their fastenings within ten days of the opening of the new police station.

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

CITY HALL UNION 5 DAY WEEK

Halifax, N.S., May 10, 1954

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 reports from the City Manager recommending the:

1. Institution of a five day week for City Hall effective as from June 1, 1954 working hours from 8:30 - 5:00 with an hour and a half for lunch.

2. Overtime rate of pay to be \$1.55 an hour.

Your committee concurs in these recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Alderman DeWolf: "That report says the staff shall work from 8:30 to 5 P.M. I was wondering if the Union would prefer to get here at 8:45 and leave 5:15 P.M.

City Manager: "The Union suggested 8:30 A.M."

His Worship the Mayor: "A number of employees have indicated to me they are not in favor of this proposal at all. They would prefer to carry on under the old system whereby they had a 5 day week during the 3 summer months. Since there are a number of employees who are non-union and since the Union never voted in favor and merely said they would accept a 5 day week if it were given by Council, I think it is a matter that might well stand over and be further processed. You would have the 5 day week normally starting in June and you would not get the extra half-hour. If it were settled in the June meeting the only question not settled would be the half-hour".

Alderman Lane: "How many employees are not in the Union?"

City Manager: "There are about 30. I had a list from Mr. Bellew and it concerned people who were not in the Union."

His Worship the Mayor: "There are people who are not bargained for."

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of City Council

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and that a poll for or against, be taken from 100% of the City Employees and a report brought to this Council and that the 5 day week be effective for the months of June, July and August as was done last year. Motion passed.

OVERTIME RATE

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Aherne that the overtime rate of pay be approved at \$1.55 per hour as recommended. Motion passed.

BOAT CLUB NORTH WEST ARM

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: May 10th, 1954.

Subject: Boat Club - North West Arm.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on May 6th., 1954, the attached report from the City Manager relative to a request from the Commodore Club for a lease of land owned by the City on the North West Arm was considered.

The Committee recommended:

1. That the land be leased to the Commodore Club at the amount set forth in the submission of the City Manager \$300.00 per year, plus taxes.
2. That the Club keep their Club House as far as practical to the south edge of the property, subject to the approval of the City Manager.
3. The term of lease be for five (5) years and in accordance with legislative restrictions.
4. Providing the Club facilities would be available to any citizen of good moral character wishing to join the Club; and that opportunity be given at City Council meeting to hear any objection to this proposal.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
and Members of City Council.

From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr..

Date: May 6, 1954

Subject: Boat Club - North West Arm

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At its meeting on April 22, 1954 the Committee on Works considered a letter from The Commodore Club requesting lease of land owned by the City on the North-West Arm.

Although the City has owned this land for about forty years and made practically no use of it there is always the possibility that increasing pressures on Horseshoe Island and Pleasant Park may make its use necessary. This is the chief objection to permitting its use by any special group.

Along Fairfield Road, there is 248 feet of frontage, 200 feet on the St. Mary's Boat Club border and 370 feet along the back of the properties fronting on Jubilee Road. There is also a large water lot.

The Commodore Club contemplates erecting a building 20 X 45 mostly over the water. A new road on the southerly end on the property would lead to the water's edge. The area to the north would be prepared for swimming.

The following suggestions are made:

1. The Club house should be as far to the southern edge of the property as possible.
2. Location as in (1) above would leave most of the shore for swimming. Some arrangements might be made to permit use of the northern section of the shore by the general public.
3. A short lease of three years, certainly no more than five years with the privilege of renewal on a yearly basis with a one-year notice to vacate might permit use by this group without depriving others of a potential use.
4. The facilities supplied by this group would be available only to members of the group. I understand anyone of good moral character could secure election to membership.

The City Assessor at the Manager's request writes the following concerning value and possible assessment.

"This land owned by the City of Halifax containing approximately 71,000 square feet has been assessed on our exempted list at \$13,000. or at the rate of .18 per square foot.

I first wish to point out that this value was placed thereon because of its potential possibilities of sub-division and sale by the City and does not correspond to equivalent land value of boat clubs in the vicinity or on the shores of the North West Arm.

In setting a land value on these Clubs I feel the Assessor took into consideration all the circumstances which affect the value, such as seasonal operation, community aspect, avoiding the blame of placing too high an assessment and thus depriving the Community of recreational facilities, and the benefits in health and Welfare and in the curbing of juvenile delinquency.

I find these land values average about .06 per square foot and if this rate were used in this instance this land would be assessed at about \$4,300.

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I also wish to bring to your attention there is no authority in the City Charter empowering the Assessor to assess any persons, corporations or associations for any real property occupied by them and owned by the City.

The Assessor can, however, under 372 of the Charter place an occupancy tax against such persons, notwithstanding such exemption.

It would therefore, be necessary to include in the terms of the lease to the lessees, the amount which the City would consider to be fair and reasonable in lieu of taxes on such land.

It is suggested:

1. The annual rent be \$300.00 per year.
2. The building be considered to be worth \$12,000 and be assessed at \$4,000.00. By inclusion in the lease of an amount in lieu of taxes which is included in \$300.00 above.
3. The building would be subject to an occupancy tax of \$2.00 assessment which is 25% of the value of land and buildings.

A.A. DeBard.,  
CITY MANAGER.

A protest was read from 12 persons who are property owners and live on Fairfield and Jubilee Roads objecting to the establishment of a boat club in this area.

His Worship the Mayor read a letter of protest from Mr. A.J. Haliburton in which he offered to purchase the property for \$10,000.00.

Alderman Lloyd stated the matter should be reviewed in the light of the protests and also from the view point of the promoters of the Club.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Allen that this matter be referred back to the Committee on Works and that a report be brought to the next regular meeting of this Council.

Alderman Lane: "I would like to register the verbal comments of the residents who have expressed themselves in writing. What they did not point out was, what I found out myself, the right of way is over a street known as Fairfield Road. Already St. Mary's Boat Club is reached by this right-of-way. The street measures 40 feet between curbs. It is felt another widening this right of way would cause heavy traffic as far as

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residents are concerned. Some have found that the hangers-on have been objectionable and have destroyed gardens. Those tax payers consider this an unbusiness-like arrangement. Any club house valued at \$10,000.00 would be a permanent thing."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the recommendation of the Committee on Works be not adopted by this Council.

Alderman Kitz: "The Sunshine Club has run for a number of years. Speaking on the merits of traffic hazard the same thing could apply to all the other boat clubs in the City. Traffic on Coburg Road is heavy. I feel quite satisfied that the Club would be run as well and if not better than the other clubs. I think the facts are all before us. Those who are going to object and in favor, are here."

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT

Alderman Ahern  
Hatfield  
MacMillan  
Adams  
Lloyd

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Kitz  
O'Malley  
Allen  
Vaughan  
DeWolf  
Lane  
Macdonald

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Alderman Hatfield: "I think we are anticipating that we might have that available at some future date for public bathing. I don't think we will ever ask for it. It is a question of policy, whether we should lease or sell it. I would suggest that selling that property for \$10,000.00 is much below the value. I think it would yield \$25,000.00 in that neighbourhood."

His Worship the Mayor: "I took it that it was a sailing and motorboat club. Swimming was not stressed."

Alderman Lloyd: "If it went back to the Committee, we could decide whether we sell the land or not."

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Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that this matter be deferred for further consideration at the next regular meeting of City Council.

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

FOR THE AMENDMENT

AGAINST IT

Alderman Ahern  
Allen  
Hatfield  
MacMillan  
DeWolf  
Macdonald  
Adams  
Lloyd

Alderman O'Malley  
Vaughan  
Lace  
Kitt

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RELEASE OF LEGISLATIVE GRANTS

May 10, 1954

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend for approval the attached report from the Deputy Commissioner of Finance respecting Release of Legislative Grants.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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To: His Worship R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee

From: P.L.M. Ronkey, Deputy Commissioner of Finance

Date: May 7, 1954

Subject: Release of Legislative Grants.

Gentlemen:

Under Chapter 63, Section 57 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1953 we have secured permissive legislation to pay the following Grants: -

SCHEDULE "A"

To pay as a grant to the Children's Aid Society for the year 1954 the sum of.....  
To pay as a grant to the Salvation Army (Red Shield) the sum of.....  
To pay as a grant to the Canadian Cancer Society the sum of.....

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To pay as a grant to the Halifax Community Chest the sum of  
.....\$6,000.00  
To pay as a grant to the Canadian Red Cross (Nova Scotia Division)  
the sum of..... 2,500.00  
To pay as a grant to the Canadian Red Cross (Homemakers' Service)  
the sum of..... 2,000.00  
To pay as a grant to the St. John Ambulance Association the sum  
of..... 750.00  
To pay as a grant to the Children's Hospital (Halifax) the sum  
of.....30,000.00  
To pay as a grant to the Halifax Riding and Driving Club (Bengal  
Lancers) the sum of ..... 1,000.00  
To pay as a grant to the Halifax Musical Festival Association  
the sum of..... 500.00  
To pay as a grant to the Walter Callow Wheel Chair Coach Fund  
the sum of ..... 500.00  
To pay as a grant to the Board of the Maritime Museum (Citadel  
Hill) the sum of..... 3,500.00  
To pay as a grant to the Board of the Army Museum (Citadel Hill)  
the sum of..... 3,500.00  
To pay as a grant to the Nova Scotia Opera Association the sum  
of..... 500.00  
To pay as a grant to the Halifax Symphony Society the sum of  
..... 500.00  
To pay as a grant to the Canadian Arthritis and Rheumatism Society  
the sum of..... 1,000.00  
To pay as a grant to the Maritime School fo Social Work the sum  
of..... 500.00  
To pay as a grant to the John Howard Society the sum of 1,500.00  
To pay as a grant to the Canadian Paraplegic Association the  
sum of..... 500.00

We have made provision in our 1954 Budget, but we require  
City Council authority before the above items can be paid.

Yours very truly,

P.L.M. Romkey,  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE

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

RELEASE OCCUPANCY TAX GRANTS

May 10, 1954

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the  
above date agreed to recommend for approval the attached reports  
from the Deputy Commissioner of Finance respecting Occupancy  
Tax Grants.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

May 13, 1954.

To: His Worship R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
From: P.L.M. Romkey, Deputy Commissioner of Finance  
Date: May 10, 1954  
Subject: Occupancy Tax Grants.

Gentlemen:

At the last session of the Legislature, in Chapter 63 Section 13 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, we amended Sections 310D, 310 E, and 310 F of the Halifax City Charter relating to the payment of grants equal to the amount of taxes assessed to certain institutions, permissive on the part of the City instead of mandatory.

The Tax levied against the Halifax Community Chest, 45 Spring Garden Road is \$169.15 less discount of \$4.22 = \$164.93 and the Tax for the Mission to Seamen, 271 Barrington Street is \$21.00 less discount of .52¢ = \$20.48.

We have provided the money in our 1954 Budget and we require City Council authority to pay these accounts.

We have also secured permissive legislation in Chapter 63 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1954, which says that commencing in the year 1954, we may pay annually to the Theatre Arts Guild, as a grant, a sum of equal to the Taxes due by the said Theatre Arts Guild. The amount of Occupancy Tax for the year 1954 is \$192.50. As we have made no provision on our 1954 Budget to pay this account, I would therefore request that funds be provided, under Section 316 C of the City Charter.

We also require City Council authority to pay this account.

Yours very truly,

P.L.M. Romkey,  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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To: His Worship R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.  
From: P.L.M. Romkey,  
Deputy Commissioner of Finance  
Date: May 10, 1954  
Subject: Occupancy Tax Grants

Gentlemen:

In scrutinising the 1954 Legislation I find two sections relating to the Theatre Arts Guild, Section 14 which relates to the 1954 Tax and subsequent years, and Section 10, which is also permissive and relates only to the 1953 Tax. This Section states "The City may write off and cancel the Taxes assessed against the Theatre Guild for the year 1953, in respect to the real property known as the Theatre Arts Guild Playhouse on College Street."



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occupied by such Guild for its purposes".

The 1953 Occupancy Tax amounts to \$192.50 and City Council authority is required before we can cancel this account.

Yours very truly,

P.L.M. Romkey,  
DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

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

CONVENTIONS

May 10, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report from the City Manager respecting conventions was considered and it was decided to make the following recommendations to Council for approval.

1. City Manager to attend the Conference of the Canadian Federation of Mayors and Municipalities in Windsor, Ontario, during the month of August.
2. Commissioner of Health to attend a Convention in Sydney from September 7 - 10 and granted expenses in the sum of \$40.00.
3. Commissioner of Health to attend a Convention in Buffalo from October 11- 15 and granted expenses in the sum of \$200.00.
4. City Solicitor to attend a Convention in San Francisco from September 12- 15 and granted expenses in the sum of \$300.00.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

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CAPITAL AUTHORIZATIONS BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

May 10, 1954.

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

A request from the Board of School Commissioners for authority to borrow the sum of \$672,000.00 required for school purposes was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

As authority to borrow sums totalling \$300,000.00 has already been granted, it was agreed to recommend that a resolution providing for the borrowing of a sum not exceeding \$672,000.00 be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publications  
CITY CLERK

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

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Alderman being present and voting therefor: Alderman DeWolf, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Formal Borrowing Resolutions covering the above matter were submitted

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that the resolutions as submitted be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Alderman being present and voting therefor: Alderman DeWolf, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

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TENDERS FOR LOAN \$2,000,000.00

May 10, 1954.

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

Pursuant to the call for tenders returnable at 5 o'clock on the above date from parties disposed to purchase debentures maturing the 1st day of June in each year commencing with the year 1955 and ending with the year 1974 for the total sum of \$2,000,000.00, to be issued under the authority of Chapter 6, Acts of 1945 of the Province of Nova Scotia (The Municipal Affairs Act), and bearing interest at the rate of 3 1/2% per annum for the debentures maturing from June 1, 1955 to June 1, 1964, both inclusive, and 3 3/4% for debentures maturing from June 1, 1965 to June 1, 1974, both inclusive, the Finance and Executive Committee had for consideration tenders for the same from the following:

1. Mills, Spence & Company Limited on behalf of a syndicate named in the tender ..... 99.60
2. Gairdner & Company Limited on behalf of a syndicate named in the tender..... 99.53
3. Dominion Securities Corporation, Limited, on behalf of a syndicate named in the tender..... 99.51 plus accrued interest
4. Wood, Gundy & Company Limited on behalf of a syndicate named in the tender..... 99.283 and accrued interest
5. Scotia Bond Company Limited on behalf of a syndicate named in the tender..... 98.5025 and accrued interest

Your Committee recommends that the tender of the syndicate represented by Mills, Spence and Company Limited, namely:

Mills, Spence & Company Limited  
MacLeod, Young, Weir & Company Limited  
Bell, Gouinlock & Company Limited  
Royal Securities Corporation Limited and  
F.J. Brennan & Company Limited

at the rate of 99.60 be accepted.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Pughlover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

His Worship the Mayor: "I think we have reason to congratulate ourselves on that price. It is a good reflection of the

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credit of the City to get that price due to the present state of the bond market'.

LOAN RESOLUTION

The City Solicitor submitted the Loan Resolution in connection with the Bond Issue.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the resolution as submitted be approved.

City Solicitor: "When the matter came before you in the schedule for the \$2,000,000.00 there was \$1,000.00 for Westmount School. That authority for Westmount School for \$1,000.00 has been revoked by the Minister and that \$1,000.00 has been transferred to the expenditures for sewers where we have spent more than we are borrowing".

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Alderman DeWolf, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

ORDINANCE #46 TELEVISION ANTENNAE FIRST READING

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: May 10, 1954

Subject: Ordinance No.46 respecting the erection, etc. of  
structures to carry Television Antennae.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on May 6th., 1954, a draft of Ordinance No. 46 was submitted by the City Solicitor, for consideration.

The Committee recommended that this be forwarded to Council for first reading and that it be referred to the City Manager and Staff to consider those points that require further attention, as recommended by the City Solicitor, and be referred back to the Committee on Works with any further recommendations.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
Clerk of Works.

May 17, 1954.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Albert that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ORDINANCE #46

RESPECTING THE ERECTION, ETC., OF STRUCTURES  
TO CARRY TELEVISION ANTENNAE.

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

1. (a) No person shall in the City of Halifax engage in the business of installing, erecting, constructing, reconstructing, altering or repairing structures used or to be used to carry or support television antennae unless such person holds a license therefor issued under the authority of this Ordinance.

(b) Before any such license is issued to any person such person shall provide a good and sufficient bond in the penal sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), executed by a surety company licensed to do business in the Province of Nova Scotia and approved as to form by the City Solicitor, which said bond shall be conditioned upon the faithful performance of all laws and of the ordinances of the City of Halifax, and shall indemnify and keep harmless the City of Halifax from any and all damages, judgments, costs or expenses which the said City may incur or suffer by reason of the granting of such license. The said bond shall also extend to the use and benefit of the City of Halifax as well as of any person who may suffer injuries or property damage by reason of the license granted hereunder. Such bond shall be maintained in effect at all times during the currency of the said license.

2. Permit required. Except as is otherwise contained herein it shall be unlawful for any person for or on behalf of himself or any other person to instal, erect, construct, reconstruct, alter or repair any structure used or to be used to carry or support television antennae or equipment or any additions to or substitutions for such structure unless and until a permit for the same shall have been first obtained from the Building Inspector.

3. Certificate of Approval Required. It shall be unlawful for any person to make use of or to maintain in place any outside structure which carries or supports television antennae or equipment for the same unless and until the same has been inspected and approved by the Inspector of Buildings and a certificate of approval issued therefor.

4. Application for Permit. An inspection and permit fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00) shall be paid for each permit. Applications for permits shall be made upon blanks provided by the Inspector of Buildings and shall contain or have attached thereto the following information:

- (a) Name, address and telephone number of the owner for whom to be made.
- (b) Whether it is a new installation, repair or maintenance work.

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- (c) A blueprint or ink drawing of the plans and specifications and method of installation and attachment to the building on the ground. Where the height of the antenna is over 30 feet a detailed sketch showing the location of the antenna with respect to property lines and existing electric or communication lines shall accompany the application.
- (d) Name of the person, firm or corporation making the installation.
- (e) Such other information as the Building Inspector shall require to show full compliance with this and all other laws and ordinances of the City of Halifax.

5. Obtaining Certificate of Approval. When any installation covered by a permit has been completed the person in whose name the permit therefor has been granted shall immediately notify the Inspector of Buildings of the City of Halifax that the work is ready for the final inspection, whereupon the same shall be promptly inspected by the said Inspector and if the work complies in all respects with the provision of this Ordinance and with the permit, a certificate of approval shall be given. The fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00) provided in the preceding section shall cover the inspection required by this section, but an additional fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) shall be paid for each additional inspection requested.

6. (a) Antennae systems now in use. The owner of any outside television antenna which has been installed prior to the coming into effect of this Ordinance shall within 30 days after such date apply to the Inspector of Building of the City of Halifax for an inspection thereof, accompanying such application with the payment of a fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00). The Inspector shall make an inspection promptly and if in his opinion the structure supporting such antenna and such antenna comply substantially with the requirements of this Ordinance a certificate of approval shall be given.

(b) If such approval is refused, the owner shall be informed of the defects in the installation by such Inspector and the same shall be corrected within 30 days, whereupon the said owner shall request inspection upon payment of a re-inspection fee of One Dollar (\$1.00).

(c) If any owner or user of any such existing installation continues to make use of or to maintain in place such installation after 60 days after the coming into effect of this Ordinance without a certificate of approval therefor or after such approval has been refused, such act shall constitute a violation of this Ordinance.

7. If any work in respect of which a permit has been issued is not commenced within the time specified in such permit the permit shall upon the expiration of such time become void and of no further effect.

8. Nothing herein contained nor the fact that any person has theretofore obtained a certificate of approval shall be construed to prevent the Inspector of Buildings from inspecting any structure or television antenna system in use in the City of Halifax in order to ascertain whether or not the same conform to

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remain in a safe condition and in compliance with this Ordinance. If any condition is found by such Inspector which might result in danger to life or property or a violation of any provision of this Ordinance the said Inspector may give written notice to the owner of such structure or antenna system at his last known address, setting out such conditions and requiring that the same be corrected within 25 days from the date of such notice. If such conditions are not corrected within such time the maintenance and care thereafter of any such defective structure or television antenna system by the owner shall be unlawful and a violation of this Ordinance.

9. Requirements. No permit for the installation of a structure for an outdoor television antenna system shall be granted until such proposed system and installation meet the following requirements:

(a) All outdoor television antenna systems, including the supporting tower or mast, shall be constructed of galvanized steel or other corrosive-resistant incombustible material. Where approved by the Building Inspector, towers constructed of steel or wood poles set in the ground may be used to support antenna systems but no wood tower or wood pole may be mounted on the roof of any building or structure.

(b) The antenna and tower shall be designed to support the dead load of the structure plus an ice load at least one half inch in radial thickness. The ice load shall be computed only upon the wires, cables, messengers and antenna.

The tower or mast shall be braced or guyed and be designed to resist a horizontal wind pressure of not less than 20 pounds for every square foot (net area) of exposed surface. Guy wires shall not be anchored to a chimney or to any roof vent pipe or vent pipe.

(c) Antenna systems installed on the roof of the building shall not be supported by or attached to a chimney. All such installations shall be mounted on an independent platform or base and anchored in place. The platform or base of the tower shall be large enough to distribute the weight of the structure over sufficient roof area so that the roof construction will safely support the weight of the structure in addition to the required live and dead roof loads.

(d) All antenna systems shall be so installed that no part of the structure will be nearer to a street, or other public thoroughfare, than the height of the antenna as measured from its platform or base to the topmost point. No wires, cables, or guy wires shall extend over any street or other public thoroughfare or over any electric power or communication lines.

(e) Poles used for electric power or for communication lines shall not be used for supporting or for guying any antenna system. Where antenna installations are so located that damage may be caused to adjacent power or communication lines by sagging of the antenna structure, a separate safety wire shall be attached to the top of the tower and secured in a direction opposite to the power or communication lines.

(f) Electrical installations in connection with antenna systems, including the grounding of the tower or mast, shall comply in all respects with the requirements of the latest edition of the Canadian Electrical Code as approved by the Governor in Council.

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(g) Notwithstanding any provision of the Canadian Electrical Code the following requirements shall be complied with:

- I. The mechanical features of the antenna shall be in accordance with Canadian Standards Association Specification C22.4, No. 112, where applicable.
  - II. Lead-in wire, lightning arresters, boosters, rotators, indicators, ground rods, clamps and insulators shall be of a type approved by the City Electrician of the City of Halifax.
  - III. All metallic supporting structures and guying shall be permanently and solidly grounded at the lowest point.
  - IV. A lightning arrester shall be used on the lead-in of all outdoor antennae. The arrester shall be located at approximately the same elevation as the television receiver when the lead-in is run outside the building. It shall be grounded to a water pipe, metallic building frame, metallic buried gas pipe system, or a ground rod.
  - V. The ground wire for the antenna structure and/or lead-in arrester shall be run in as straight a line as possible to the grounding point. It shall be installed in accordance with Section 10 of the 6th Edition of the Canadian Electrical Code, Part 1.
  - VI. All outdoor boosters which are designed to be located on the antenna structure shall be approved by Canadian Standards Association and shall have shielded and grounded supply lines.
  - VII. Rotating motors and indicators shall be installed in accordance with the said Canadian Electrical Code.
  - VIII. Antennae shall be so located and installed that they do not form a hazard to utility lines or an impediment to firemen in the performance of their duty.
  - IX. Lead-ins shall be twisted and supported to maintain a minimum of 6 inch clearance from the tower and from the roofs, columns, walls, etc., to which they are adjacent.
10. Any person who violates any provision of this Ordinance shall upon conviction therefor be liable to a penalty not exceeding Five Hundred Dollars and in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months.

11. This Ordinance shall be known as Ordinance Number 46.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the Ordinance be read and passed a first time and referred to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

REPORT CITY SOLICITOR Re: HERRITT CLAIM

To: His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.  
From: Carl P. Bethune, Q.C., City Solicitor  
Date: May 13, 1954  
Subject: Re: Claim, Thomas Herritt



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Your Worship and Aldermen:

At the last regular Council meeting the Council was advised of the above claim, in which the claimant stated, through his solicitor, without prejudice, that he would accept the sum of \$1500.00 before issue of writ in settlement of the claim.

The matter was referred to me to investigate and make a recommendation as I felt should be made.

As you may recall, this claim arises out of the injury suffered by the claimant from being shot in the heel by one of the City Police while being pursued by the police officer who was trying to interrogate him. He was not under suspicion for any particular offence and no warrant had been issued for his arrest.

I am informed of the following facts:

1. The Claimant has lost a job on the Canadian Consulate for which he had signed on and for which his pay would have been \$204 per month and found.
2. He was unable to obtain any kind of permanent employment while disabled.
3. The following loss has been sustained by him:

Halifax Infirmary	\$118.15
Taxis to get around in	5.00
Shoes - 1 pair	13.95
Socks	2.25
Room & Board up to May 1st.	48.00
Lost of wages to May 1st	350.00
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	\$ 537.35

He has suffered inconvenience, pain and discomfort. I am advised by Dr. Morton, who examined him about May 1st, that he would have been unable to carry on his work until about May 10th.

From X-rays taken, Dr. Morton informs me that there were two wounds in his foot - one in the rear of the heel and the other in the sole of the foot just where the arch and the heel meet. Walking caused pain, although apparently the injury was healing normally.

The X-rays plates showed that the large bone on the foot was just nicked. Dr. Morton does not anticipate any permanent injury.

In my discussions I find that the claimant would accept this claim for \$800.00. As I stated above the first claim, without prejudice, was for \$1500.00. Later this amount was reduced first to \$1000.00 and finally to the present proposal of \$537.35.

I would recommend that, under all the circumstances of this case, a settlement be made. It would seem that on the facts the amount proposed is not too far in excess of the sum of \$537.35 above mentioned when the fact that some additional time is passed since these figures were made up and there is nothing therein for inconvenience, pain and suffering.

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In my opinion the payment of the sum of \$800.00 would be a just settlement.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune,  
CITY SOLICITOR.

Alderman Vaughan: "Do you think it is a proper charge against the City?"

City Solicitor: "I do not believe the City is liable in this case. The Police Officer is personally liable. A Police Officer is not an employee of the City".

His Worship the Mayor: "We would be under some moral obligation to support the officer".

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Adams that the report be approved and the funds provided under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter. Motion passed.

HALIFAX FORUM RENEWAL ADVANCE OF \$15,000.00

May 10, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a request from the Halifax Forum Commission for renewal of the Capital Loan of \$15,000.00 for a further period of one year from April 15, 1954 was considered.

Your committee recommends that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

APPOINTMENT OF FORUM COMMISSION

Alderman Vaughan: "Could we accept your recommendation for appointment to the Forum Commission and at the same time move to seek legislation for staggered terms of office?"

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that with reference to the Forum Commission, the City Council is of the opinion that the 5 year term is too long and that legislation be sought to provide for staggered terms for each member of the Commission. Motion passed.

Alderman Hatfield: "Does it mean the term will be 5 years if they are appointed tonight?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes subject to the legislation".

Moved by Alderman O'Malley, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the nominations of His Worship the Mayor be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Kitz that Alderman Ahern replace Alderman Moriarty on the Forum Commission as one of the two members of Council.

Alderman O'Malley: "I felt there should be no change until the legislation comes through as to the staggered term. I feel this way about Alderman Moriarty, due to his absence from the City, I think it is taking advantage of a man's absence to defend himself. I believe this matter should stand until the legislation is changed and then we will have the rotation and these men will go off as their time expires".

Alderman Lloyd: "I don't know what they want to go on there for except to go to work".

The amendment was put and passed 7 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Aller.  
MacMillan  
Lane  
Macdonald  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Kitz

AGAINST IT

Alderman Vaughan  
Hatfield  
DeWolf  
O'Malley

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Alderman Ahern was excused from voting.

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NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN LLOYD APPOINTMENT FORUM COMMISSION

Alderman Lloyd gave Notice that at the next regular meeting of Council he would move that Council rescind the appointment of Mr. L.J. Burke on the Forum Commission and in place thereof Council appoint Mr. Harry Breen.

LAND HOWE AVENUE EASTERN EQUIPMENT LTD

May 10, 1954.

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

The matter of the sale of land at the intersection of Dutch Village Road Diversion and the Halifax South Western Railway to Eastern Equipment Limited for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, during the month of July 1949, was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Mr. John MacInnes Solicitor for and Mr. H.E. Dickson, Manager of the Eastern Equipment Limited were present and after discussing the matter with them it was agreed to make the following recommendations to Council:

1. That if the Eastern Equipment Limited does not apply for a building permit and commence construction of a building within a period of two months that the contract be cancelled.
2. That if within a period of three years of the date of the deed the Eastern Equipment Limited disposes of any portion of the land to other parties that the proceeds of that portion so sold be paid to the City.
3. That the City Manager and City Solicitor confer with the interested parties and make a recommendation to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and  
Members of City Council.

From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,

Date: May 13, 1954

Subject: Eastern Equipment - Land - Howe Avenue.

In accordance with direction from the Finance and Executive Committee given May 10, 1954, the City Manager met with Mr. H.E. Dickson, president of Eastern Equipment Corp., his attorney, Mr. John McInnes, and Mr. W.G. MacDonald, of the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co.

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The discussion centered around the possibility of the Eastern Equipment relinquishing enough of the land they bought to serve the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co. for a sub-station.

Mr. Dickson pointed out that if he had his preference, he would like to have an acre and that the land in question was less than 2/3 of an acre. In spite of his desire for more land, he was willing to give up some of it depending on how much Nova Scotia Light & Power Company wanted. They desire about 13,000 square feet next to the Murrans property which is considered by Mr. Dickson to be the best piece. This would be half the property and more than Mr. Dickson could spare. He is still willing to co-operate in any way he can.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report of the Finance and Executive Committee be approved.

Motion passed.

AMENDMENT ORDINANCE #13A RESPECTING TAXI METERS 2ND READING

May 10, 1954

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

An amendment to Ordinance #13A respecting Taximeters, which was read and passed a first time at the last regular meeting of the City Council was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the amendment be read and passed a second time and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman MacMillan, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the report be approved. Motion passed.

AMENDMENT

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

1. Subsection (1) of Section 4 of Ordinance No. 13A, respecting Taximeters, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

4. (1) Any person who has used a motor-drawn vehicle in which a taximeter is installed and who refuses to pay the tariff rates as shown on the taximeter shall be liable to a penalty not

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exceeding Fifty Dollars and in default of payment of such penalty to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twenty days.

Moved by Alderman MacMillan, seconded ny Alderman O'Malley that the amendment as set out above be read and passed a second time and referred to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT COMMISSIONER OF WORKS

May 10, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the City Manager respecting the appointment of a Commissioner of Works.

It was then agreed to recommend that Mr. George F. West be appointed Commissioner of Works at a salary of \$7500.00 per year effective as from May 1, 1954 and that he be paid at the rate of \$6,000.00 per year from the date of his appointment as Deputy Commissioner of Works viz. December 18, 1953 to May 1, 1954.

It was also agreed to recommend that Mr. Arthur G. Harris be appointed Chief Engineer at a salary of \$6,500.00 per year.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Mr. West: "I want to thank Your Worship and Council in honouring me with the appointment. I will conduct myself at all times with dignity befitting the office. I hope I shall not at any time through my statements or actions in any way bring embarrassment to any Alderman or citizen of Halifax while I am serving in the capacity of Commissioner of Works."

PERMANENT STOCK OF 1880

May 13, 1954

To: His Worship R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and  
Members of City Council.  
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
Date: May 10, 1954  
Subject: Permanent Stock of 1880

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We have circularized holders of the Permanent Stock of 1880 to ascertain their reactions to a proposal to redeem the stock on a cash basis. The replies have ranged from refusal to consider redemption to offers to redeem at par plus accrued interest up to a price of \$130.00.

There are certain complicating factors. The price and yield work in opposition to one another so far as individual holders are concerned. No matter what price we offer those who acquired the stock at a higher price than what we offer, they feel they are not getting their money back. To those who bought at a lower price the yield on their investment is good, and they point to the yield as the reason for not surrendering the stock. To make redemption more difficult our interest in redemption has stimulated activity in transaction and offers from other sources have strengthened the price. In addition, interest rates have moved down raising the price of fixed return securities such as this stock.

I would recommend a price of 115 plus accrued dividend with stock to be sent to the Royal Bank of Canada who will act as our agents. Their terms are as follows:-

"You have asked us for details of our charges if we were to be called upon to act as redemption agent for the above issue. We assume you would want holders to receive payment free of all costs and, if so, our charges to the City would be as follows:

Redemptions in Canada:

1/8% plus cost of telegrams or cables and plus a surcharge of 1/20% on the amount redeemed at points in Canada other than Montreal and Toronto and/ or the point where cover is provided.

Redemptions outside Canada:

1/8% plus cost of telegrams or cables on the amount redeemed plus foreign banks' charges, which we would not expect to exceed 1/8%.

We trust the foregoing is the information you require, but if we can be of further assistance, we hope you will let us know."

Yours very truly,  
(sgd.) G.A. Owen  
Manager

I am aware there will be criticism that the price is not high enough; that the stock could have been bought at some other price—either higher or lower with good reasons therefore. The City of Halifax will be in business for a long time, and if it is prepared to offer a price for this stock, it will gradually be surrendered as conditions or the individuals making decisions change.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved.

Alderman DeWolf: "I doubt if anyone is going to surrender his stock at 115. On the basis of the bonds tonight it would be worth 124".

The motion was put and passed.

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NATIONAL HARBOURS BOARD GRANT

May 10, 1954.

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

The matter of the National Harbours Board Grant was discussed by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that consideration of this item be deferred for one month.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman MacMillan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REPORT ON BUILDING INSPECTOR

May 10, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the City Manager re Building Inspector.

It was agreed to recommend that the matter be deferred for one month.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION STREET INCLUDING INSTALLATION OF SEWER

May 13, 1954.

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and  
Members of City Council.  
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
Date: May 10, 1954  
Subject: Improvement of Commission Street.

Included in the capital borrowing budget shortly to be presented to Council is sewer for Commission Street which runs from Lady Hammond Road (next to Public Service Commission) in a southerly direction. 650 feet of sewer is estimated to cost \$7800.00 with an assessment return at present rates of \$2,550.00.



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Three industrial lots have been sold and R.C.A. and C.I.L. are contemplating buildings here. In order to issue a building permit this item is brought to your attention separately. The City owns Commission Street and there is not too much grading to do, particularly at the Lady Hammond Road end.

Approval of Council for this project is requested with inclusion of \$7800.00 with the other sewer borrowings.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

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

SURPLUS LAND BAYERS ROAD - BOARD SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

May 10, 1954.

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

The attached letter from the Secretary-Treasurer of the Board of School Commissioners respecting surplus land on Bayer's Road was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the land be accepted for use as Council may determine.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

May 3, 1954.

Mr. A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
City Manager,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr. DeBard:

I beg to advise you that at a meeting of the Board held April 30th, 1954 the matter of old site on Bayer's Road which had been discarded in favour of site at Fairview Cemetery was discussed.

I am directed by the Board to advise you that it will not now require this old site and have declared it surplus to our needs. It will, therefore, be quite in order for the City to use same in any way they see fit.

Thanking you for holding same for us, I am

Yours very truly,

H.F. Bezanson,  
Secretary-Treasurer.

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

Alderman Hatfield suggested a subdivision be made of this land.

SALARIES CITY ELECTRICIAN'S DEPARTMENT

May 10, 1954.

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

A report from the City Manager respecting salaries for members of the City Electrician's Department was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date, it was agreed to recommend the following scale for approval:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANGE</u>	<u>NEW SALARY</u>
A. Flynn	4500-5500	5500.00
E. Peek	3500-4000	4440.00
G. Haley	3400-3600	3600.00
P. Lewis	3400 Max	3400.00
F. Locke	2800-3200	3200.00
J. Graham	2800-3200	3200.00
L. Josey	2800-3200	3200.00
H. O'Brien	2600-3000	3000.00
G. Meagher	2400-2700	2700.00
L. During	2800-3200	3120.00
W. Hushard	3200-3600	3600.00
R. Dingle	3000-3400	3280.00

The above to be effective as from November 16, 1953.

Respectfully submitted.

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

It was agreed to hear Mr. George Robertson on behalf of the employees concerned who spoke as follows: "In January 1953 the 7 members of the Fire Alarm System asked for an increase of their salary scales. No changes were made in 1953. The present pro-

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posal before you in most instances falls far short of the requested increases. I would submit the increases are not proportionately fair to those involved. They have not had increases since 1951. Consideration should be given to the scale they asked for one year ago.

He then gave a list of the salaries the men requested and also figures for employees at the Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Company Ltd. and the Nova Scotia Light & Power Company Ltd. plus hours worked and other fringe benefits.

Alderman Vaughan: "I am in sympathy with the request of these men. Could we have one month to study this?"

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee.

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the Manager doubts whether there is a need for a Deputy Foreman. The Electrician and Lineman are much the same in their duties. I see no differentiation for about 4 of the employees. They should all be on the same scale. I questioned Moirs Ltd., M.T. & T. Co., Ltd., N.S.L. & P. CO., LTD. and the Province of Nova Scotia for working hours of the administrative staff. One Company the staff is working 32 hours per week. They are a large utility company. We compare very favorably with the working hours of all these firms. I found the dominant factor was the same take-home pay".

The motion was put and passed.

#### DARTMOUTH NATAL DAY

May 10, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a letter from the Town Clerk of Dartmouth advising of a resolution passed by Town Council requesting City Council to proclaim a Civic Holiday on Dartmouth Natal Day was considered.

Your committee recommends that a Civic holiday be proclaimed

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on Dartmouth Natal Day. Alderman Vaughan dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

TAG DAYS

May 10, 1954.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that the following Organizations be granted permission to hold Tag Days.

Little League Baseball  
United Boys' and Girls' Recreation Clubs  
of Nova Scotia and Affiliated Bodies  
United and Free Missions  
Halifax Poppy Committee Nov. 6, 1954.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

The City Clerk advised a request had come in from the Beta Hi-Y Chapter to hold a Chain of Dimes in aid of the Y.M.C.A. World Service on May 22, 1954 from 8:30 A.M. to 12 o'clock noon.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Adams that the request be granted. Motion passed.

PURCHASE OF RECORDING EQUIPMENT

May 10, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the City Manager requested that an appropriation of \$1,100.00 be provided for the purchase of recording equipment from Dictating Equipment (Maritime) Ltd.

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Your committee recommends that the request be granted and the funds provided under the authority of section 316 C of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

INSURANCE CITY PROPERTY

May 10, 1954.

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

The attached tender submitted on behalf of twenty-six Insurance firms concerning Fire Insurance on City property was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date and it was agreed to recommend same for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

THOMPSON, ADAMS & CO., LTD.  
Provincial Agents for Nova Scotia

Halifax, N.S.,  
May 10, 1954.

A.C. Pettipas, Esq.,  
Purchasing Agent,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir: Re: Tender for Insurance Schedule on City of Halifax  
Property.

With reference to the tender for Fire Insurance including Supplemental Contract coverages on the Corporation of the City of Halifax property we take pleasure in submitting a premium of \$20,898.00 on a total liability of \$2,322,000. for a period of three years as per the amended schedule issued by your office. The above mentioned premium represents a three year average rate of .90 whereas the expiring schedule was written at a three year average rate of .93.

If this tender is accepted the insurance will be written on a one, two and three year basis which will result in one-third of the insurance expiring each year. For your information the following is the proposed method we intend to use to obtain this end:

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<u>Amount of Insurance</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Premium</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Expiry Date</u>
\$774,000.00	.30	\$2,322.00	1 Year	May 31, 1955
774,000.00	.60	4,644.00	2 Years	May 31, 1956
774,000.00	.90	6,966.00	3 Years	May 31, 1957
<u>\$2,322,000.00</u>		<u>\$13,932.00</u>		

The total amount of insurance, \$2,322,000., will be effective 12 o'clock noon, May 31, 1954, and the policies written for a term of one and two years will be renewed by policies in the same amount for a term of three years. The premium cost to the City for this insurance will be \$13,932.00 in 1954 and \$6,966.00 each succeeding year assuming no change in the total amount of insurance. The insurance will be written with no increase in the number of policies, however, it will probably be necessary to vary the total amount of insurance falling due each year due to the difference in amount of the various policies, for example, there might be \$778,000. expiring the first year, \$770,000. the second year and \$774,000. the third year.

This tender is submitted on behalf of the following list of full time insurance firms who represent all the fire insurance companies licensed by the City of Halifax to transact fire insurance here and who are represented in the City, with this office acting as Brokers for the City of Halifax:

Annand, F.W.  
Atlantic Agencies  
Bell, A.J. & Co. Ltd.  
Carten, A.S.  
Dale & Company Ltd.  
Douglas, Rogers Ltd.  
Economical Mutual Ins. Co.  
Faulkner & Co.  
Grant Oxley & Co. Ltd.  
Haliburton, A.J. & Co.  
Halifax Ins. Co.  
Hebb, C. Willis  
Jack & Co. Ltd.  
Kelley, R.K. & Co. Ltd.  
Major Brothers Ltd.  
McDermaid Agencies Ltd.  
MacInnes, W.R. & Co.  
McLaren, Hope, Ltd.  
Oatway & Thompson, Ltd.  
Rainnie & Co. Ltd.  
Saunders & Duffus  
Simpson-Hurst Ltd.  
Stuart, C.H. & Co. Ltd.  
Strachan, John & Co., Ltd.  
Thompson, Adams & Co. Ltd.  
Wrethall, H.N. & Co.

Trusting this tender will meet with approval, we remain,

Yours very truly,

THOMPSON, ADAMS & COMPANY LTD.  
E.A. Thompson  
DIRECTOR

May 13, 1954.

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

FLEET INSURANCE WORKS DEPARTMENT

May 13, 1954.

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and  
Members of City Council  
From: City Manager, A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
Date: May 12, 1954  
Subject: Automobile Fleet Insurance.

Nineteen bids were submitted to the Finance and Executive Committee and were ordered to be opened by the City Clerk and City Manager and reported to City Council.

For Bodily Injury of \$50,000 and Property Damage of \$5,000.00 a premium of \$6,010.07. The Fire Coverage was quoted at \$1.482.62. All the bids were identical. The bidders were:

F.W. Annand Limited,  
Atlantic Agencies,  
A.S. Carten & Co. Ltd.,  
Dale & Company Limited,  
C. Willis Hebb,  
O.R.N. Hackett & Co. Ltd.,  
Faulkner & Company,  
Grant, Oxley & Company Limited,  
Jack & Co. Ltd.,  
R.K. Kelley & Co. Ltd.,  
W.R. McInnes & Co.,  
Maclaren Hope Limited,  
Major Brothers Limited,  
Rainnie & Company Limited,  
Simpson-Hurst Limited,  
J. William Smith Co. Ltd.,  
John Strachan Co. Ltd.,  
C.H. Stuart & Co. Limited, and  
Thompson, Adams & Company Limited.

It is suggested the insurance be written by R.K. Kelley & Co. Ltd., and the commissions shared as has been customary in the past.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER.

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

TENDERS FOR GROCERIES

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CITY OF HALIFAX  
NOVA SCOTIA  
TABULATION OF GROCERY TENDERS.

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FOR  
HALIFAX TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES  
HOSPITAL, CITY HOME AND CITY PRISON.

<u>GROUPS</u>	<u>HOWARD'S LIMITED</u>	<u>SCOTIA FLOUR &amp; FEED</u> <u>CO. LTD.</u>
<u>Group 1.</u> Canned & Dry Fruits, Jams & Juices	\$4752.82 X	\$4795.13
<u>Group 2.</u> Canned & Dry Vegetables	\$2561.34	\$2423.31 X
<u>Group 3.</u> Canned Soup, Bottled Sauces, Chow & Pickles Canned Fish	\$3750.13	\$3543.96 X
<u>Group 4.</u> Cereals, Coffee, Tea, Flour, Sugar, Biscuits Cheese	\$8366.79 X	\$8460.37
<u>Group 5.</u> Soaps, Cleaning Material	\$655.19 X	\$ 667.23
<u>Group 6.</u> All Other Supplies	\$2134.99 X \$2221.26	\$2173.69 - \$22063.69

X Indicates lowest group bid.

Howards Limited - Lowest in Groups 1, 4, 5 and 6.  
Scotia Flour &  
Feed Co. - " " " 2 and 3.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved and the tenders awarded for the lowest group bids. Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR FISH

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CITY OF HALIFAX  
NOVA SCOTIA  
TABULATION OF FISH TENDERS.

FOR  
HALIFAX TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES  
HOSPITAL, CITY HOME AND CITY PRISON

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>FISHERMAN'S</u> <u>MARKET "A"</u>	<u>BOUTILIER'S</u> <u>LTD. "B"</u>	<u>BURNS FISHERIES</u> <u>LTD. "C"</u>
Fresh Cod- Fish	.10 Lb.	.11 Lb.	.10 Lb.



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Fresh Haddock	.17 Lb.	.17 Lb.	.15 Lb.
Haddock Fillets	.29 "	.35 "	.28 "
Cod Fillets	.19 "	.25 "	.19 "
Haddock Steak	.18 "	.30 "	.17 "
Halibut Steak	.42 "	.50 "	.40 "
Cod Steak	.13½"	.25 "	.13 "
Sole Fillets	.34 "	.45 "	.33 "
Smoked Cod Fillets	.19½ "	.35 "	.19 "
Smelts Dressed	.38 "	.40 "	.32 "
Salmon, Frozen	.40 "	.45 "	.37 "
Fresh Herring, dressed (Heads Off)	.10 "	.15 "	.09 "
Salt Herring #1	\$6.90/½ Bbl.	8.25/½ Bbl.	7.00/½ Bbl.
Dressed Mackerel Fresh.Hds. on	.14 Lb.	.18 Lb.	.14 Lb.
Kippers	.17 "	.25 "	.16 "
Finnan Haddie	.24 "	.35 "	.23 "
Cod, Boneless	.27 "	.30 "	.26 "
Codfish, Salt, none accepted under 4 Lbs. 112's	.16 "	.18 "	.15 "
Scallops	.54½ Lb.	.52 "	.50 "

It is recommended that the tender of Burns Fisheries Limited be accepted.

A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
CITY MANAGER

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

FINANCIAL STATEMENT 1953

May 10, 1954.

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

The Financial Statement as prepared by the Finance Department was submitted to the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting

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held on the above date.

It was agreed to forward same to Council for its information.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

FILED

TAX WRITE-OFFS

May 10, 1954.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that uncollectible tax accounts totalling the sum of \$174.07 be written off under the authority of section 283 sub-section 2 of the City Charter.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

EXTENSION OF LEAVE MRS. ETHEL DOYLE

May 10, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending that Mrs. Ethel Doyle on the staff of the Infectious Diseases Hospital who has been ill since the latter part of February be granted further leave of absence with pay until the end of May.

Your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

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RESOLUTION HALIFAX BOARD OF TRADE Re: APPEARANCE AT PRIVATE AND  
LOCAL BILLS COMMITTEE

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May 10, 1954.

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

The attached resolution from the Halifax Board of Trade was read at a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date.

It was decided to forward same to Council for its information and filing.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

"UPON MOTION it was unanimously resolved that the action of the officers in appearing before the Private and Local Bills Committee of the Legislature to oppose the amendment to the City Charter increasing the salary of the Mayor be and it is hereby ratified and confirmed, because such action was entirely consonant with the policy of the Board concerning the adoption of a proper Council Manager form of Civic Government, which must relieve the Mayor and Council of their present detailed duties and therefore remove the avowed reasons for the necessity of such increase."

Alderman Hatfield: "The Board of Trade should appear before us before they go down to the House."

Alderman Lloyd: "I would like to see you Your Worship reply to this letter".

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't want to enter into any controversy. The representations were made without prior approval of the Council of the Board of Trade. That having been made the Board now confirms the action. I am perfectly happy to write to them and point out to them that it is the feeling of this Council that they might make their representations to the Council in the first instance and we will invite them to appear when we are considering legislation".

HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE COMMISSION USE OF CITY CREST

May 10, 1954.

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

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The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that a request from the Halifax-Dartmouth Bridge Commission for use of the Coat of Arms of the City be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover.  
City Clerk.

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

HALIFAX-DARTMOUTH BRIDGE FINANCING AGREEMENT

His Worship the Mayor: "This is to authorize the City to enter into an agreement with the Province where we assume a portion of the financing of the bridge. As far as the approach question is concerned, the Commission has purchased the property at the southwest corner of Barrington and North Sts. and they have reserved the right to come to this Council and ask for a portion of the cost".

City Manager: "I think the stand taken now is 'wait and let us see'. They agreed that the corner should be rounded."

Alderman Kitz: "How can we vote for that in the light of our earlier undertaking of holding ourselves responsible for 25% of \$7,000,000.00".

His Worship the Mayor: "You can't. The agreement before us is at direct variance of the original resolution of Council".

Alderman Kitz: "Have the other partners to this transaction been approached?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I understand the Council in Dartmouth was waiting the action of the Council."

Alderman Lloyd: "What about the surplus?"

Alderman Kitz: "By the legislation we don't get it. This is so diametrically opposed to our earlier undertaking there must be some explanation".

His Worship the Mayor: "New legislation was passed".

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Alderman Kitz: "To which we never had affixed our willingness to".

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that the Bridge Commission and Provincial Secretary be advised that pursuant to the initial resolution of this Council that the City would propose to limit its obligation to \$1,750,000.00 principal and interest.

Alderman DeWolf: "At no time was it discussed what the County, Town of Dartmouth and City of Halifax would pay. There was nothing said one way or the other".

His Worship the Mayor referred to a press report which said he had been a member of the Bridge Commission for two years which was incorrect. He became a member this year only.

Alderman Lloyd: "I don't like tying ourselves to a specific thing. I would rather re-negotiate. I don't think we should agree tonight".

Alderman Kitz, with the consent of his seconder and Council, withdrew his motion.

Alderman DeWolf: "It was the original understanding that when the bridge was paid for it would become the property of the Province. We might have some amendment made in that respect to offset any additional guarantee".

His Worship the Mayor: "The legislation says the Province may take it over".

Alderman Kitz: "I would suggest a committee be appointed to meet with the Provincial Secretary and that the agreement be deferred until a report is received from the Committee".

His Worship the Mayor then nominated Alderman Kitz, Lloyd and O'Malley to comprise the Committee to which Council agreed.

SALVATION ARMY CAPITAL APPEAL

May 10, 1954.

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 request from the Salvation Army for a grant to the campaign to raise funds for the enlargement of Grace Maternity Hospital and the building of a new Citadel and Headquarters Building was considered.

Mr. George W. Tingley, campaign Manager addressed the Committee and after hearing him a Committee consisting of Aldermen DeWolf, O'Malley and Lloyd was appointed to confer with Mr. Tingley on the matter and report to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved and the funds provided from the Land Sale Account subject to the approval of the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Alderman Kitz: "I want to be recorded against. This City finds funds to operate the T.B. Hospital. We also run our Infectious Diseases Hospital and have it available in case of an epidemic. When we step outside of that hospitalization phase we are doing Provincial work. I feel it is not our responsibility".

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

#### TITLES OF LAND MEMORIAL DRIVE

The City Solicitor outlined the situation with respect to the lots on Memorial Drive on which houses are proposed to be built. Part of these lots take in part of streets layed out in a subdivision plan of 1878. The streets were never opened and the City has no legal title.

He advised there was no authority to expropriate lands to sell to other people for housing. He suggested that legislation be secured vesting the title of the streets in the City.

Alderman Vaughan: "If the City were to sell the land on the sq. ft. basis the Province could expropriate the balance and deed it for \$1.00 and we could give that".

He submitted and read Section 4 of the 1923 Statutes of the Province which dealt with expropriations.

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd: (1) that the City sell the lands the City has a title to on Memorial Drive to the Basinview Housing Company for the sum of \$5500.00. (2) that the City declare its intentions to the Province and (3) that the Province expropriate the remaining land and deed it to the City for \$1.00 and the City sell it to the Company for \$1.00.

Alderman Macdonald: "I have to disagree with the way proposed by Alderman Vaughan. I do not think the land should be sold to any particular group of people because I think all people are entitled as much as this group to have an opportunity to buy these lots".

Moved in amendment by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the necessary action be taken to make this land available to the City and when it is available, that it be put up for tender.

City Manager: "I have a list of 40 to 50 people who are interested in getting land. In that list is the name of one of the people in this group. I have had several telephone calls asking for the 11 lots. They said they would form a co-operative. Would it be possible that the lots be put up for tender and after they have been awarded, those particular people could form a co-operative?"

Alderman Lloyd: "That land should be first made available if there are other co-operative groups interested."

Alderman Vaughan: "All these houses under the Nova Scotia Housing Act are paying full taxes as unlike other housing groups".

Alderman O'Malley: "We cannot pre-determine the value of any land in this City. We have received astonishing tender prices for land in the City. I feel at least we should know the amount of subsidy we are giving to any of these groups contemplating housing development".

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the value to us is tax revenue as a municipality".

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Alderman O'Malley: "We sold land to Mr. Dickson of Eastern Equipment Limited for \$500.00 for a long while with no revenue".

Alderman Vaughan: "Two years ago people bought lots on Leaman Street and 3 lots have not been built on. People are still holding onto them to speculate. We have lost about \$900.00 in taxes. Here we have a proposition where there will be no tax loss. This property faces the railway track on the cotton factory siding and the Standard Paving Co. I would not pay more than \$500.00 myself".

Alderman Macdonald: "I know \$900.00 and \$1000.00 was paid for lots within a stone's throw of these lots. The City is getting away entirely from the policy adopted in calling for tenders for residential property in this City".

Alderman Kitz said this was a subsidy plan, straight and simple and he was going along with it but on the other hand if the lots were put on the market they would bring more than \$500.00. If the houses were built by Mr. X the City would get the same taxes and a larger amount for the lots.

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

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Macdonald  
O'Malley  
Ahern

AGAINST IT

Alderman Allen  
Vaughan  
Hatfield  
MacMillan  
DeWolf  
Lane  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Kitz

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- 9 -

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

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION \$1,000.00 HALIFAX REGIONAL LIBRARY  
BOARD

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



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The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that a Supplementary Appropriation of \$1,000.00 be provided under the authority of section 316 C of the City Charter for the Halifax Regional Library for the purpose of entertaining delegates attending the Library convention being held in Halifax this year.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

REZONING VEITH & HANOVER STS. AND DEVONSHIRE AVENUE

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

From: The Town Planning Board

Date: May 10, 1954.

Subject: Rezoning--Veith Street, Hanover Street & Devonshire Ave.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on May 6th., 1954, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending approval of a request from the Halifax Relief Commission to rezone the block bounded by Veith Street, Hanover Street and Devonshire Avenue from Park Institutional to First Density Residential was considered.

The Board recommended same to City Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per. J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report be approved and Council fix Thursday June 17, 1954 at 8:00 P.M. in the Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N.S. as the time and place for the hearing on the matter.

Motion passed.

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Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Allen that this meeting do now adjourn to reconvene on Tuesday May 18, 1954 at 8:00 P.M. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 12:35 A.M.

*R.A. Donahoe*  
R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
MAYOR & CHAIRMAN.

*W.P. Publicover*  
W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
ADJOURNED FROM  
THURSDAY, MAY 13/54  
TO TUESDAY, MAY 18/54

A G E N D A

47. Claims for Blasting Damage Connaught Avenue.  
48. Bayers Road Sewer Outlet.  
49. Resubdivision of Lands B. D. Stevens Desmond Ave.  
50. " Lots 3, 4 & 5 Maling Subdivision Young St.  
51. " Lands A. G. Archibald Belmont Road.  
52. Application W. A. Smith to Erect a Dwelling on Undersized Lots on  
Seaforth St.  
53. Regulations to Amend Town Planning Act.  
54. Expropriation of Land Bayers Road Street Widening.  
55. Clock Nova Scotia Light & Power Co., Ltd.  
56. Overhanging Signs.  
57. Quit Claim Deed for Lots Greenwood Avenue.  
58. Street Lighting.  
59. Sale of House Kempt Road.  
60. Fire Alarm Signal Box.  
61. Appointment of Committee Re Rental Control.  
62. " " Prison Farm.  
63. " " Slum Clearance & Public Housing.  
64. " Directors Point Pleasant Park.  
65. Subdivision City Prison Property East Side of Robie St.  
66. Welfare Division Salaries.  
67. Parking Meters Spring Garden Road Area.  
68. Questions.  
69.  
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Deferred Item

Rezoning Charles, Maynard, Creighton & West Sts. Area.

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

City Manager's Administrative Report.  
Prefab Housing Statistical Report.  
Approvals Department Municipal Affairs.  
Parking Lot Revenues.

EVENING SESSION  
ADJOURNED MEETING

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
May 18, 1954,  
8:00 P.M.

An adjourned 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, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Also present were Messrs. W.P. Publicover, R.H. Stodderd, C.P. Bethune, Q.C., A.J. Yeadon, L.M. Romkey, G.F. West, A.P. Flynn, V.W. Mitchell and Dr. A.R. Morton.

CLAIMS FOR BLASTING DAMAGE CONNAUGHT AVENUE

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

From: Clerk of Works

Date: April 27, 1954

Subject: Claims-Mr. Arthur Armitage and Mr. J.J. Langille,  
Connaught Avenue.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on April 22nd considered the attached report from the Deputy Commissioner of Works recommending payment of the following claims for damage caused by blasting:

Arthur Armitage, 129 Connaught Avenue, \$55.00 in full settlement of his claim.

J.J. Langille, 131 Connaught Avenue, \$100.00 in full settlement of his claim.

The Committee recommended that these claims be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean  
CLERK OF WORKS.

May 18, 1954.

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

BAYERS ROAD SEWER OUTLET

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 27, 1954

Subject: Re Bayers Road Sewer Outlet.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on April 22nd the attached letter from Mr. B.D. Stevens proposing that he place a storm sewer along Desmond Avenue at his own expense, in conformity with plans approved by the City Engineer, and the City in turn relieve him of the sewer assessment charges on Desmond Avenue, was considered.

The Committee recommended that the proposal be agreed to, with the provision that any title, if there is one involved would be vested in the City when the street is deeded to the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabeen,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

April 14, 1954.

Mr. A.A. DeBard, Jr.,  
City Manager,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:- Re: Bayers Road Outlet

When the Bayers Road sewer outlet was constructed, no definite arrangements were made with me. The sewer was not designed to take care of surface water, and for many years a brook flowed through this area which roughly parallels the sewer which was just constructed over my land.

I understood this sewer would take care of the surface water, but I found that the sewer that was being put in was too small for this purpose and for that reason a storm sewer must be constructed.

I would therefore make this proposition to the City of Halifax, that in turn for relieving me of the sewer assessment charges on Desmond Avenue, that I place a storm sewer along Desmond Avenue at my own expense in conformity with plans approved by the City Engineer.

Very truly yours,

B.D. Stevens

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Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Allen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION OF LANDS B.D. STEVENS DESMOND AVENUE

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

From: Clerk of Works.

Date: April 27, 1954.

Subject: Re Subdivision of Lands of B.D. Stevens -Desmond Ave.

The Town Planning Board at a meeting held on April 22nd considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer relative to a plan of resubdivision showing 12 new lots being created to permit the construction of eleven new four unit apartment buildings.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that the resubdivision be approved, as shown on Plan No. 00-7-12710, subject to Desmond Avenue being brought to a condition satisfactory to the Commissioner of Works.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION OF LOTS 3, 4 & 5 MALING SUBDIVISION YOUNG ST.

The City Clerk advised that Mr. Maling requested that his application be withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Allen that the request be granted and reported back to the Town Planning Board. Motion passed.

RESUBDIVISION OF LANDS A.G. ARCHIBALD BELMONT ROAD

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

From: The Town Planning Board

Date: May 10th., 1954

Subject: Resubdivision of lands of A.G. Archibald, Belmont Road.

The Town Planning Board, at a meeting held on May 6th., 1954, considered a report from the Town Planning Engineer, recommending approval of a Plan of resubdivision to resubdivide

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Lots 77 and 78, which formally faced on Greenwood Avenue, into Lots A and B; Lot A to be added to lands of D.F. Archibald and Lot B added to lands of A.G. Archibald.

The Board concurred in the recommendation that this resubdivision be approved as shown on Plan No. 00-7-12727, and that no Public Hearing be held.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved. Motion passed.

8:10 P.M. Alderman Kitz arrives.

APPLICATION W.A. SMITH TO ERECT A DWELLING ON UNDERSIZED LOTS ON SEAFORTH STREET

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

From: The Town Planning Board

Date: May 10, 1954

Subject: Application-W.A. Smith to erect dwelling on undersize Lot on Seaforth St.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board, held on May 6th., 1954, the attached report from the Building Inspector recommending that Mr. Smith be granted permission to erect single family dwellings on Lots 2 and 4 on Seaforth Street was considered.

The Board approved and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Town Planning Board,  
May 4th, 1954.

Gentlemen:

I am in receipt of an application by Mr. W.A. Smith of 102 Seaforth Street to erect single family dwellings on two lots on Seaforth Street. Mr. Smith owns three adjoining lots being lots 2, 3 and 4. He now has a house on lot 3 which is the center lot

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thus leaving a lot on either side of his dwelling, these lots have a frontage of 36' so that they are undersize and need special permission to be built on. I do not believe that these lots could be subdivided so as to give regulation lots, therefore I would recommend that Council grant permission to Mr. Smith to erect single family dwellings on lots 2 and 4. Council has this authority under section G, part 15 of the Zoning By-Law.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles E. Day,  
BUILDING INSPECTOR.

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

Alderman Kitz: "How large are they?"

Alderman MacMillan: "36 feet".

The motion was put and passed.

REGULATIONS TO AMEND TOWN PLANNING ACT

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

From: Town Planning Board.

Date: May 10th., 1954

Subject: Regulations to amend Town Planning Act.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on May 6th., 1954, recommended that regulations be prepared to amend the Town Planning Act whereby the Town Planning Board can authorize the Town Planning Engineer to approve County Subdivisions, if they meet with the County regulations. In the event that the Town Planning Engineer considers the Plans do not meet with County regulations, or if, in his judgement, the Plans should not be approved then the Plans are to be submitted to the Town Planning Board.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved and referred to the City Solicitor.

His Worship the Mayor: "The most we can do is to make a recommendation to the Provincial Government that it amend the Town Planning Act. The Solicitor suggests you pass it and refer



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it to him to grapple with it and report back".

Alderman Vaughan: "We should let the County people know what we are going to do".

His Worship the Mayor: "I don't think so".

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

EXPROPRIATION OF LAND BAYERS ROAD WIDENING

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: May 10th., 1954

Subject: Expropriation of land-Bayers Road-for street widening purposes.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on May 6th., 1954, the attached report from the Deputy Commissioner of Works, recommending that expropriation proceedings be started to acquire certain land on Bayers Road between Connaught Avenue and Howe Avenue needed for street widening purposes was considered.

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

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of the Committee on Works

G.F. West, Deputy Commissioner of Works

May 6th., 1954

Expropriation of Land-Bayers Road- For Street Widening Purposes.

Certain land on both sides of Bayers Road, between Connaught Avenue and Howe Avenue, is required for street widening purposes. All owners of the properties concerned have been contacted and agreements have been reached with eighteen (18) out of a total of twenty-two (22) property owners; four (4) have expressed their unwillingness to accept the City's offer of thirty cents (30¢) per square foot.

It is imperative that we acquire all necessary land as soon as possible in order that the widening of Bayers Road can be started this year. It is recommended, therefore, that expropriation proceedings be started.

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List of Property Owners Unwilling to Accept City's terms

Samuel Walker	- 225 Bayers Road
Bert Walker	- 213 Bayers Road
Orlando Falconer	- 340 Bayers Road
Francis Walker	- 205 Bayers Road

George F. West,  
Deputy Commissioner of Works.

Alderman DeWolf: "Would it not be well to have the land evaluated before the expropriation takes place? If they could not agree with the owners?"

Mr. West: "We wanted to get the permission if we had to expropriate and get on with the widening of Bayers Road rather than put it off for 2 months. My original report requested that the Committee on Works appoint independent appraisers".

Alderman DeWolf: "If they find they can't buy and it goes to expropriation then you should have appraisers. You should have appraisers between the time of the declension by the owners and the expropriation so the City will not have to pay the cost".

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that conjunctively with the report that an appraiser be obtained in order to advise the City Solicitor what amount would be paid into Court.

Alderman Lloyd: "The Council should have the appraiser's valuations".

Alderman Hatfield stated there were certain conditions with respect to some properties that could be ironed out by an appraiser.

Mr. West: "Fourteen have signified in writing to sell at that price. Four more have verbally agreed providing we carry out some minor considerations".

Alderman Macdonald: "If the agreements are not signed and executed with respect to the other properties, are they able to come back and say they want the same as the other people got?"

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His Worship the Mayor: "What is the position of the 18 properties? Is there any binding agreement entered into?"

Mr. West: There are 14 the Legal Department has to put through".

The motion was put and passed.

CLOCK NOVA SCOTIA LIGHT & POWER CO., LTD.

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: May 10th., 1954  
Subject: Clock - Nova Scotia Light & Power Co. Ltd.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on May 6th., 1954, considered a report from the Building Inspector regarding an application from the Nova Scotia Light and Power Co. Ltd., for permission to erect a 3 ft. diameter clock on the Scott Building Buckingham Street. He suggested that permission be granted without charge to the Company.

The Committee approved and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabeau,  
Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

OVERHANGING SIGNS

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: May 10th., 1954.  
Subject: Overhanging Signs.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on May 6th., 1954, a report from the Building Inspector recommending that the following signs be permitted to be erected, was approved and recommended to City Council.

184 Granville Street,  
G.H. Wood & Co. Ltd.

Illuminated

\$5.00

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498 Robie Street, E.A. Purcell	Illuminated	\$5.00
207 Hollis Street Phoenix Assurance Co. Ltd.	Illuminated	\$5.00
41½ Sackville Street, Ben's Ltd.	Illuminated	\$5.00
38 Dublin Street, Ben's Ltd.	Illuminated	\$5.00
152 Hollis Street Rock City Tobacco Co.	Illuminated	\$5.00
401 Barrington Street Rock City Tobacco Co.	Illuminated	\$5.00

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabeau,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

QUIT CLAIM DEED FOR LOTS GREENWOOD AVENUE

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.

Date: May 10th., 1954

Subject: Quit Claim Deed for Lots - Greenwood Avenue.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on May 6th., 1954, considered the attached letter from four abutting owners of the subdivision of Greenwood Avenue, between Belmont Avenue and Oakland Road, asking if the City of Halifax would transfer to them for nominal sum by Quit Claim Deed whatever right, title or interest the City may have in the said Lots.

The Committee approved and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabeau,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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P.O. Box 880  
Halifax, N.S.  
May 3, 1954.

Mr. C.P. Bethune,  
City Solicitor,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Mr. Bethune:

You will recall that on November 19th, 1952 the City of Halifax gave notice that it was the intention to remove the official street lines of Greenwood Avenue between Belmont and Oakland Roads. On December 11th, the matter was considered and final action postponed until such time as the abutting property owners could negotiate with the former owners of the subdivision for purchase of the several parts.

Since that time we, the abutting property owners, have negotiated with the former owners, have purchased the land from them and have just recently obtained deeds for the respective halves of the proposed street extension abutting on our properties as illustrated on the attached plan.

It would be appreciated if the City of Halifax would transfer to us for a nominal sum by quit claim deed whatever right, title or interest it may have in the said lots. A description of Lots 1 to 6 together with the plan are attached to this letter for clarification.

Yours very truly,

F.H. Bond

A.R. Waugh

A.G. Archibald

M.S. Dickie

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Macdonald  
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

STREET LIGHTING

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: May 10th., 1954.  
Subject: Street Lighting.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on May 6th., 1954, a report from the City Electrician recommending that Street Lights be installed in the following locations, was approved and recommended to City Council.

Micmac Street near Cook Avenue.	1 - 250 C.P. Light
Cook Avenue near Micmac Street.	1 - " " "
Ralston Ave. between Gebhart & Mumford Road.	1 - " " "
Bayers Rd. Cor. Romans Ave.	1 - " " "
Leeds St. near Highland Ave.	1 - " " "

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Bright St. between Leeds & View St.	2 - 250 C.P. Light
Robie St. between Leeds & View Streets	3 - " " " "
Garrick St. between Robie & Davidson Streets	2 - " " " "
Blowers St. between Barrington & Granville Streets,	1 - 600 " " "
Pennington Ave. between Bayers Road and Gebhart St.	5 - 250 " " "
Gebhart St. between Ralston Ave. & Pennington Ave.	2 - " " " "
Installation cost	\$231.00
Increased maintenance cost for balance of year.	\$313.64
Increased maintenance cost for full year.	\$440.00

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Macdonald  
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

STREET LIGHTING

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

From: Committee on Works.

Date: May 10th., 1954.

Subject: Lighting Lane between Gottingen and Maitland Streets.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on May 6th.,  
1954, a report from the Deputy Commissioner of Works recom-  
mending that a light be placed in the lane running between  
Gottingen and Maitland Streets at an estimated cost of  
\$120.00 was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

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Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

STREET LIGHTING SPRING GARDEN ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: May 10th., 1954.  
Subject: Lighting - Spring Garden Road.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works, held on May 6th., 1954, the attached report from the City Manager relative to Fluorescent Street Lighting Fixtures on Spring Garden Road was considered.

The Committee recommended that the lighting be completed to Barrington Street and be made permanent.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabeau,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved and that a portion of Gottingen Street be included from Cogswell St. to Gerrish St. as an experiment.

His Worship the Mayor: "We should not take any action pending a report from the City Electrician. We should have a recommendation from him".

Alderman O'Malley: "Maybe he may come up with the contention that Gottingen Street is not parallel to Spring Garden Road as we have many neon signs. It is well lighted and we have 2 theatres. I don't think we should rush in and change fixtures without a recommendation from the Electrician".

His Worship the Mayor: "There may be numerous other streets that need this improvement other than Gottingen St. He should be given the opportunity to point out which streets should get them".

Moved in amendment by Alderman O'Malley that the report of the Committee on Works be approved and that the City Electrician

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be asked for a report on the future extensions of this new lighting system in different parts of the City.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the matter be deferred until the Capital Budget Meeting and that the City Electrician be given an opportunity to bring in a report and that he also list the dates of the present installations.

Alderman Lloyd: "The Electrician gave us an explanation and I think we should have it".

His Worship the Mayor: "I discussed this matter with the Electrician and he said he had some plans for the City but he was going to use the mercury type".

Alderman Macdonald: "I understood these lights were up for a trial period".

City Electrician: "I said at the meeting that streets similar to Barrington Street could be lit at half of the current cost due to the fact that they will take about half the lights. Gottingen Street came up and I said we could do the same thing there. With the new ones you would stagger them. The maintenance cost would be cut in half".

Alderman Lloyd said this was a capital budget item and should be included in the Capital Budget together with a statement of the costs involved and advantages to the City.

The amendment was then put and passed.

SALE OF HOUSE KEMPT ROAD

To: His Worship the Mayor and  
Members of the City Council.  
From: Committee on Works.  
Date: May 10th., 1954.  
Subject: Sale of House - Kempt Road.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on May 10th., 1954, considered an offer from Mr. Joseph Darrington, to pay the City the sum of ten (\$10.00) dollars for the house on Kempt



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Road, at the Canadian National Railways Underpass.

The Committee recommended that the offer be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Per: J.B. Sabean,  
CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Macdonald  
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

FIRE ALARM SIGNAL BOX

Halifax, N.S.,  
May 5, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date,  
a report was submitted from the City Electrician recommending that  
permission be granted to the Eastern Canada Savings and Loan  
Company Limited, to have their Master Fire Alarm Signal Box con-  
nected to the City Fire Alarm System at the corner of Granville  
and Duke Streets connected to the sprinkler system in their build-  
ing, without yearly charge. All costs concerned to be borne by  
the Company, the equipment to be inspected by the City Electrician  
and the City reserving the right to disconnect the service at any  
time it may be in its interest to do so.

Your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Macdonald  
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT RENTAL CONTROL COMMITTEE

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following to comprise  
the Rental Control Committee: Aldermen Dunlop, Lloyd, and MacMillan.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield  
that the nominations of His Worship the Mayor be approved.

Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT PRISON FARM COMMITTEE

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following to comprise

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the Prison Farm Committee: His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Hatfield, O'Malley and Allen, Mr. John Arnott, Dr. Alice Kitz, Dr. A.R. Morton and Mr. E.K. Ford.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the nominations of His Worship the Mayor be approved.

Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT PUBLIC HOUSING COMMITTEE

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following to comprise the Public Housing Committee: Aldermen Vaughan, Hatfield, Kitz and 2 members from the Community Planning Association to be selected by them.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Allen that nominations of His Worship the Mayor be approved.

Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT DIRECTORS OF POINT PLEASANT PARK

His Worship the Mayor nominated the following to comprise the Directors of Point Pleasant Park: His Worship the Mayor, Messrs. H.A. Garrison, T.P. McCartney, W.H. Noonan, G.A. Smith, A.E. Johnson and Prof. Hugh Bell.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the nominations of His Worship the Mayor be approved.

Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor indicated that the Council members would be named at the next monthly meeting of the Committee on Works.

SUBDIVISION CITY PRISON PROPERTY EAST SIDE OF ROBIE STREET

The Town Planning Engineer submitted two plans showing proposed subdivisions of the City Prison property one containing 26 lots on the east side of Robie Street and the other containing 73 lots taking in the area of Robie Street, Rosemead and Highland Avenues. He urged adoption of Plan "B" containing 73 lots.

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His Worship the Mayor: "Has the Governor of the Prison been consulted?"

Dr. Morton: "I think he has seen Plan "B". 30 lots would take in rough ground which is used only as pasture. On the other two sections he plants vegetables. We should be able to rotate crops for vegetables".

Alderman DeWolf suggested a subdivision containing lots from 1 to 41 as it would be possible to open up a new street.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the City Council approve of an area now shown as lots 1 to 41 on a plan as being proper for the development for housing purposes and that it be referred to the Town Planning Board for its consideration and report.

Alderman Dunlop: "Is this not in effect that we are going to subdivide and sell these lots?"

His Worship the Mayor: "Yes".

Alderman Dunlop: "If we start selling off a piece we will not be able to dispose of it the way Alderman O'Malley suggested. Council is committed to the disposal of a portion of the City Prison property now. I wonder if the principles Alderman O'Malley brought up are still interested in it?"

Alderman O'Malley: "I feel a committee of the Council should be set up to go into the matter".

His Worship the Mayor: "We did that".

Alderman O'Malley: "That was to go into the matter of moving the Prison. What I wish to impress the Council with is that I was given some hope that the School for the Deaf could possibly obtain this area for their proposed new school. The matter has gone so far that the Board of Directors went out to see if the land was suitable for the building and various other features. The architect laid out plans that are quite satis-

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factory. At the meeting of the Board the feeling was that the Chairman and some members could meet with the Mayor on the transfer of the land on Gottingen Street for some portion of the farm. Failing to get the City Prison property it is most likely they will have to go to Dartmouth".

Alderman Lloyd: "Would this parcel of land interfere with what you require Alderman O'Malley?"

Alderman O'Malley: "Yes. It goes right over to Robic Street. I think the whole matter could be cleared up within a month if a conference could be held".

Alderman Lloyd: "This plan indicates a part of the land is involved in the School for the Deaf plan".

Alderman Kitz, with the consent of his seconder and Council, withdrew his motion.

He suggested the Prison Farm committee should meet with the Committee Alderman O'Malley is on.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of City Council. Motion passed.

WELFARE DIVISION SALARIES

Halifax, N.S.,  
May 10, 1954.

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

The matter of salary scales for certain classifications in the Welfare Division of the Health Department was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

The City Manager recommended that no action be taken at this time and your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

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PARKING METERS SPRING GARDEN ROAD AREA

Halifax, N.S.,  
May 5, 1954.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Chief of Police recommending the purchase of 185 Parking Meters for installation in the Spring Garden Road area.

Your committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Alderman O'Malley: "Are they to be placed in areas that are now 'no parking'?"

Chief Mitchell: "Yes".

His Worship the Mayor: "How far north and south?"

Chief Mitchell: "One block each way".

Alderman Lane: "The merchants in that area have spoken about this. There is very limited parking space for the shoppers. They are glad to see that the Safety Committee has recommended this action".

Alderman Vaughan: "Is there any area metered that is not of a commercial nature?"

Chief Mitchell: "No".

His Worship the Mayor: "There are streets adjacent to commercial streets that are metered".

Alderman Ahern: "The Nova Scotia Light & Power Co., Ltd. are occupying places that are 5 times as large as they need. By the Nova Scotian it is about 75 yards and they don't need 75 yards for a coach stop. It should be looked into".

His Worship the Mayor: "The Public Utility Board has decided what the size of the coach stops should be. The City was heard on every occasion.

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Alderman O'Malley: "I had a call from a merchant at the corner of Windsor and North Sts. to the effect that there is a coach stop outside his operation and another on the north side of North Street opposite his door. There is another one on the north west corner and 'no parking' signs have been put up on the south side of North St. so that no customer has any opportunity of stopping within reach of his operation. I feel that something should be done about that. I think the trolley officials should consult with the business man on this. I would like to see this matter processed so that no coach be permitted to stop at any corner and that they stop in the middle of the block".

Alderman Macdonald: "I find it very hard to get a parking place in that area. It would solve the problem of the home owners who have cars. These cars park there all day long."

Alderman Dunlop: "You can't find a parking place from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. on these streets. I don't know how they do business."

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved and that the funds be provided by Capital Borrowing in the amount of \$20,000.00. Motion passed.

A Borrowing Resolution in the amount of \$20,000.00 was submitted.

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the resolution as submitted be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Alderman DeWolf asked if it were not the intention to take the money from the Post War Fund for the purchase of meters to which Mr. Romkey stated that the funds were provided by borrowing.

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MONUMENTS

Alderman O'Malley: "Monuments through the City should be cleaned up. I would like to know how soon that work will be completed? We are getting near the tourist season. If it is not done soon we might as well abandon it".

His Worship the Mayor: "There are a number of monuments that are controlled by other bodies".

Alderman O'Malley: "The ones on our own property and over which we have control. It might encourage the other bodies to do the same".

Mr. West: "We got in touch with the North British Society, Provincial Archives and Major Borrett. We have been working on it from that angle. We will do our share as soon as possible. We are going to re-point the cenotaph".

ARMDALE BOTTLENECK

Alderman Kitz asked if His Worship the Mayor had conferred with the Minister of Highways on the matter of the Armdale Bottleneck.

His Worship the Mayor: "If it is the wish of the Council, I will do it".

Alderman Dunlop: "The roads should be widened for 10 miles each side of the entrance".

His Worship the Mayor: "I think the Province should make their plans known to the Council and the public".

Alderman Kitz: "The bottleneck is at the Arm Bridge".

Alderman Lloyd: "I would like to know what directions have been given to who in the Government to come with an answer. Nobody is doing anything."

His Worship the Mayor: "More than a year ago this Council expressed approval of a proposal under which qualified traffic people would be invited in to make a definite recommendation with

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respect to the Arm Bridge. This Council agreed it would share the costs of a survey with the Provincial Government on a 50/50 basis. I took steps with the Provincial Government to have that course of action followed. It was followed. Mr. Rawding undertook to secure the services of a qualified engineer. He recommended that we accept the services of Mr. Fulton, a member of the Department of Highways of the Province of Ontario. He was assisted and advised by our traffic authorities in the City. He consulted with officials of the Department of Highways and he left here and filed a very full and complete report and recommendation as to what should be done at the Arm Bridge. The report was the compliments of the Province of Ontario and no bill was submitted. It was discussed by the City and Province. We are and have been on record for a year past as being in favor of the Fulton recommendation. Last summer certain suggestions were made by the Department of Highways as to some changes to be made at the Arm Bridge pending the flow of traffic. The City and Province went to some small expense to provide parking facilities for buses. So far as the Arm Bridge situation is concerned the City is fully in accord with the proposal in the Fulton plan. No reasonable objection to that plan has been submitted by the Provincial Government and the responsibility for non-proceeding rests squarely with the Provincial Government".

Alderman Lloyd: "What are they doing about coming to a state of decision? I think we are entitled to know. Everytime we ask about it, it becomes a matter of considerable discussion. We had a sub-committee of the Committee on Works and the Mayor to wait on the Government to give us the things that are in the way if any and to find out how they are progressing. You were to arrange a conference".

His Worship the Mayor: "I have not made any arrangements on that".



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Alderman Lloyd: "Let us find out what the position is".

Alderman MacMillan: "I was on that committee when we interviewed Mr. Rawding and we took in the Fairview bottleneck as well".

His Worship the Mayor: "Mr. Fulton was asked to advise on the Arm Bridge. He was asked to provide the solution to the Arm Bridge".

Alderman MacMillan: "I think one is just as important as the other".

His Worship the Mayor: "I think we are all agreed that both are serious matters that should be dealt with".

Alderman Lloyd: "I think the recommendation was to deal with the Fairview matter as well as the Arm Bridge".

Alderman Hatfield: "I had a chat with one of the Department of Highway officials and he said he worked on 20 separate plans. My opinion is that the Department of Highways has not sufficiently trained personnel to handle the problem. They have not designated a senior man to handle the traffic circle. They have too much to do for the number of engineers they have on their staff".

Alderman Ahern: "I would suggest that the City borrow sufficient money to put a tunnel down Chebucto Road up to where Mr. Scouler's home is. It would not cost too much. Let us get at it. We have a duty to the citizens of Halifax. We can ask for a contribution from the Provincial Government".

Alderman Lloyd: "There is a lot of merit in what the Alderman says. There has been a lot of wind about this bottleneck and Fairview. Alderman Hatfield has made certain statements about the operation of the Department of Highways. All we are asking is for information as to what state the plans are in. It by no means implies a criticism of laxity".

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NOTICE OF MOTION ALDERMAN HATFIELD Re: T. B. HOSPITAL

Alderman Hatfield gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he would move that the Province of Nova Scotia be requested to take over the operation of the T.B. Hospital and that the City of Halifax lease the hospital to the Provincial Government at the rate of \$1.00 per year.

SALARY MARKET CLERK

Alderman Ahern brought up the matter of the salary of Mr. H. Ward, Market Clerk. He said Mr. Ward has an additional job at the Police Station which was confirmed by the Chief of Police.

Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that Mr. Ward receive an increase of \$150.00 over his present salary effective as of January 1, 1954.

Alderman Dunlop felt it was a dangerous practise to bring up the salary of one employee in Council. He said there must be some committee that could deal with it and make a recommendation.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman O'Malley that this matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee for a recommendation back to City Council.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the matter had been considered by Council previously and passed but Mr. Ward was receiving more cash at the time because the salary scale was shown at a lesser amount and therefore the \$150.00 increase was of no benefit to him because the wording of the motion was that the maximum be increased by the sum of \$150.00 which would make it \$1950.00.

Alderman Ahern: "Mr. Ward was one that did not get the advantage of an increase".

Alderman Lloyd stated that he visited the quarters of Mr. Ward and considering the duties and hours of work the increase was warranted and for that reason he seconded Alderman Ahern's motion. He did not agree with Alderman Dunlop if the matter were coming up new but the case had been dealt with previously.

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Alderman Vaughan felt that the title of the position should be changed as Mr. Ward had more to do than be the Market Clerk and therefore concurred with the remarks of Alderman Lloyd.

The amendment was put and lost 3 voting for the same and 10 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Dunlop  
Kitz  
O'Malley

AGAINST IT

Alderman Vaughan  
Hatfield  
MacMillan  
DeWolf  
Lane  
Macdonald  
Adams  
Lloyd  
Ahern  
Allen

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The motion was then put and passed.

LAND MR. B.J. VAUGHAN

Alderman DeWolf brought up the matter of the settlement between the City and Mr. B.J. Vaughan with respect to his land through which a sewer easement passes. Mr. Vaughan, Alderman DeWolf said, wanted to know if it were the idea of the City to take the sewer easement only and if that were so he could go along with his project in developing the land. The Alderman hoped all it was was the easement as it would be cheaper than to buy the land.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the original negotiations were for an easement of 30 feet. An appraiser was appointed on the matter and there were consultations at one stage as to the right of the Council to expropriate additional land so as to secure the easement.

City Solicitor: "We have the right to acquire by expropriation the land we require in the manner deemed by the City to be in its best interests. We have the right to acquire more than we need and also the right to sell off what we don't require".

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His Worship the Mayor: "All the Council did was to authorize the employment of an appraiser to advise the Manager. There is no decision on the easement by the Council".

Alderman DeWolf: "I was asked to ask the Council tonight. I don't know what plans he has in mind. He was asking what was going to be done so he could go ahead."

Alderman Lloyd: "We gave Mr. Vaughan assurance that the matter would be dealt with as soon as possible. I regret we are not in a position to deal with it tonight. I would not like to go ahead now without knowing what steps the Manager has developed. Once again the matter is being fiddled around".

Alderman Hatfield: "It is Mr. Vaughan's property. He can do what he likes about it".

Alderman DeWolf: "It should be dealt with one way or the other".

BOAT CLUB FAIRFIELD ROAD - SUBDIVISION PLAN OF LAND

Alderman DeWolf: "Could the Town Planning Engineer draw up a plan of subdivision for that land. We could deal with it more intelligently if such were done. There are about 8 or 10 good lots by the Arm and would bring a substantial lot of money. There is room for a street through the center and lots on each side".

RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND OPERATION OF THE LAND SALE ACCOUNT

Alderman DeWolf: "Somebody should have the full responsibility of the Land Sale Account. If it is the City Manager then he should pay more attention to it than has been given. There was a piece of land sold in 1951 for over \$10,000.00. Half was paid, the remainder has not been paid yet. The City has lost \$5,000.00 plus interest and taxes. Once the Council has sold land there is no person assigned to follow it up to see if we get that money and put it to the proper account. There may be some reason why it was not paid".

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Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the City Manager be requested to report on the Land Sale Account and make a recommendation as to the future responsibility and operation of the account. Motion passed.

Alderman DeWolf: "I think the City Solicitor should be in on that when the recommendation is made".

Alderman Lloyd: "There is the disposal of receipts from tax sales. This money is not going into the current revenues of the City. I think it is going into the Land Sale Account. Is that the way it has been accounted for?"

Mr. Romkey: "After the taxes have been paid and the land sold any balance of the money goes into the Land Sale Account. After the liability to the City is paid off and any portion of the land left is sold, that goes to the Land Sale Account".

Alderman DeWolf: "Tax sale land properly belongs to current account".

#### SHOPPING AREA WESTMOUNT AND SURPLUS LAND BAYERS ROAD

Alderman Hatfield suggested that something be done about the land not developed in the Westmount Subdivision and the surplus land on Bayers Road which was to be used for a school site. He said that once proper buildings were built the revenue would be very high.

His Worship the Mayor: "I have a request with respect to the latter piece of land and we will check on your Westmount piece".

The City Manager was requested to make a report on both those matters at the next regular meeting of Council.

#### GRANT FROM PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT FOR PORT OF HALIFAX

Alderman Ahern suggested that His Worship the Mayor approach the Minister of Trade and Industry of the Province of Nova Scotia for a grant of \$25,000.00 for the purpose of developing the Port of Halifax.

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Moved by Alderman Ahern, seconded by Alderman Allen that His Worship the Mayor be instructed to seek a grant of \$25,000.00 from the Department of Trade and Industry of the Province of Nova Scotia for the purpose of developing the port of Halifax.

Alderman O'Malley: "Should not the Port of Halifax Commission be the body to make the request. I don't think we as a Council should do it".

Alderman Ahern: "I have discussed this with a very prominent member of the Board and he agrees with me. I think you will be well received. We should take the lead on this. I feel now is the time to do it before the fall arrives".

Alderman Hatfield: "What is the purpose of the Money? They have brought in a budget".

His Worship the Mayor: "I think the budget was originally put out to suit the ability of this Council to support the Port of Halifax Commission".

Alderman Kitz said the suggestion had a good deal of merit and could very well be explored.

The motion was then put and passed.

#### APPOINTMENT OF ASSESSOR AND FIRM TO CONDUCT RE-ASSESSMENT

Alderman Lloyd asked what information was available on the appointment of the City Assessor.

His Worship the Mayor: "That is exclusive to the City Manager. I can't answer".

Alderman Lloyd then asked when the meeting would be held to decide the selection of a firm to carry out the re-assessment.

His Worship the Mayor: "I have been approached by the Warnock people to make additional representations and I discussed it with the City Manager with respect to the time of a meeting. I came to no definite conclusion on it".

Alderman Lloyd: "That is a matter of definite responsibility for the City Council. I don't know of any matter of policy that

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is more important than this question. I have no hesitancy to proceed with the selection of an authority to do it. Perhaps it could be considered along with the capital budget?"

His Worship the Mayor: "It should be a separate date".

Alderman Kitz: "I have my mind pretty well made up and I intend to vote for. If you were to call a spot vote I think you would find everyone pretty well decided on it. It should be done at the next regular meeting. I don't see the need for a special meeting. I think we are ready for it and we should proceed".

Alderman Dunlop: "It is only a question of who we will engage. I have my mind made up. I am ready to vote tonight. I have heard enough from all companies. With regard to the City Assessor's appointment I thought we fixed it for a special meeting of Council".

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the appointment of the authority to supervise the re-assessment be dealt with tonight.

Question arose as to the rules of order of Council whether or not the matter could be considered at this meeting.

Alderman Vaughan said it was covered under Section 12 of Ordinance #2 which he read.

His Worship the Mayor also read Section 42 of the same Ordinance and said if the matter were coming up for the first time tonight he would rule it out as it would be too important. He said if there were not 3 objectors he would allow the motion.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Hatfield, MacMillan, DeWolf, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen and Vaughan

Moved by Alderman Dunlop, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the Cleminshaw Company be engaged to conduct the re-assessment at the sum of \$105,000.00 for a complete re-assessment as outlined in

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their specifications in writing and verbally given to this Council by their representative and that the contract be executed by the Mayor and City Clerk on behalf of the City.

Alderman Lloyd: "I must admit that the Cleminshaw representative did exhibit a masterful possession of skill. I am happy to join with those who support that Company".

Alderman Ahern: "I am against it in any form but if it is going to be carried, Cleminshaw would do a better job".

The motion was put and passed.

MEETING ON CITY MANAGER SYSTEM AND PERFORMANCE OF APPOINTEE

Alderman Lloyd: "I thought it was agreed we would have a review of our progress and various matters that arise from a review such as the performance of the Manager. I understood a meeting was to be called for such a purpose after the budget. I have a feeling that such a meeting would do a lot of good. I think the time has come to ask ourselves, with the experience we have been through, and we have appointed the man we have, to try to get ourselves at least in the position of indication to the public that we are satisfied with the system and that we are satisfied with the appointee. I have very good reason to make that observation. I think it is safe to say that almost anything will work if everyone's heart and soul is behind the operation. I would like to see that meeting for a review of our progress and a review of the performance of our Manager. It is extremely important. I feel the moral of the staff is involved. I have heard criticisms".

Alderman Dunlop: "We did decide we would have such a meeting around the later part of March. I have been wondering when that meeting was going to be called. It was put off on account of the budget. This Council went on record just for the meeting Alderman Lloyd is talking about".



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Alderman Lloyd: "There may be mistakes being made which are interfering with the good moral of our staff which should be corrected. We do have a situation on moral in our staff which I am now satisfied needs our attention. It stems from some source which I don't think would be proper to spell out at this meeting. The moral and efficiency of the staff are involved in this matter".

His Worship the Mayor: "I am in agreement with it if we are on record that such a meeting should be held. It should be held early on the Manager's return. If there is no such motion I would invite such a motion. I will not call a meeting without a motion of this Council directing me to do so and if so, I will call it at the earliest opportunity".

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that Council express its desire to the Mayor that we have a meeting in camera at a convenient date for a general discussion of the City Manager system and also for a review of the performance of the present City Manager. Motion passed.

#### TROLLEY COACH STOPS AND SNOW REMOVAL

Alderman MacMillan: "I think the whole matter of trolley coach stops should be considered. I think the location and length of them and the removal of snow at the stops should be gone into. I don't think there is any necessity for the coach to hold up 3 lengths of stops for 24 hours in the City. I have never seen three coaches stopped where there is a length for 3 coaches. I have seen passengers alighting in a pool of water 4 or 8 inches before they were warned it was not possible. It should be taken up with the Public Utility Board and the Nova Scotia Light & Power Co., Ltd".

It was suggested that the stops should be in the center of block as passenger cars are partly blinded from traffic when the coach is at the present stop which causes a traffic hazard.

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SCHOOL BOARD BORROWING RESOLUTION \$ 250,000.00 DUFFUS ST. AREA

The City Solicitor advised that he had prepared a new resolution covering the above matter as the Minister of Municipal Affairs did not approve of the previous one due to a technicality in one of the recitals.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the resolution as submitted be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Dunlop, Lane, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Ahern, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the Minister of Municipal Affairs be requested not to approve of the first borrowing resolution in this connection. Motion passed.

APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE #6 ELECTRIC WIRING AND THE USE OF ELECTRICAL ENERGY

The City Solicitor advised that the Minister of Municipal Affairs had approved of Ordinance #6 with one amendment to Section 36 which reads as follows:

36. The rules governing the installation of electric wiring and apparatus in buildings, and which are hereby approved shall be those contained in the "Canadian Electrical Code", a copy of which is appended hereto and forms part hereof, together with the following specific local rules. In case of a conflict between any specific rule set out in this Ordinance and a rule of the Canadian Electrical Code, the specific rule shall in every case govern.

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the Ordinance as amended by the Minister of Municipal Affairs be adopted. Motion passed.

TITLES OF PROPERTY ON MEMORIAL DRIVE

The City Solicitor suggested that in addition to requesting the Provincial Government to expropriate 11 lots on Memorial Drive

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that the City secure legislation to vest in the City the title to the portions of lots consisting of streets in the lots 1-7 on Basinview Drive sold to H.W. Corkum.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Ahern that the suggestion of the City Solicitor be approved.

Motion passed.

EXCHANGE OF LAND DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE AND CITY OF  
HALIFAX Re: GARRISON BARRACKS

His Worship the Mayor: "I have been advised by the Army and Citadel Motors Ltd. that a satisfactory arrangement along the lines proposed by Alderman O'Malley has been worked out and the Citadel Motors Ltd. is withdrawing any objections it had to the action of this Council to the disposal of that land to the Army".

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Lane that Council re-consider the transaction involving the land exchange between the City and Army. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the offer made by the Department of National Defence in the exchange of lands in Garrison Barracks area and also including the land on Brunswick Street be accepted. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT BOARD OF TRUSTEES MARITIME SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK

His Worship the Mayor stated he was nominating Alderman Lane as the Council representative on the Board of Trustees of the Maritime School of Social Work to which Council agreed.

SALARIES FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

Alderman Vaughan referred to the deferment by Council the salaries of the employees of the Fire Alarm Department and asked if all were deferred to which His Worship the Mayor replied it was the attitude of Council to defer the whole matter.

REZONING CHARLES, MAYNARD, CREIGHTON AND WEST STREETS AREA.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the matter be deferred until the next regular meeting of Council.

Motion passed

*Mr. Publicover*

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C., and  
Members of City Council,  
From: City Manager, A. A. De Bard, Jr.,  
Date: August 2, 1954  
Subject: Administrative Report for April, 1954

1. Snow Removal.

As reported for last month, snow removal costs for 1954 to date were \$ 70,615.07.

2. Streets and Sewers.

18,908 square yards of streets were graded and 102.6 tons of cold patch used on paved streets. Most paved streets have been patched. 32 tons of cold patch were used on stoned and oil streets. Sidewalk repair has begun with 367 square yards done this month. 74 concrete slabs were raised to prevent accidents. 130 miles of streets were swept by hand and 63.8 miles by mechanical sweeper.

3. Garbage & Refuse. . 150 catchpits were cleaned of winter debris. 1781 tons of garbage, ashes and refuse were collected of which 1057 tons were burned in the incinerator plus 1190 tons of privately collected materials for a total of 2227 tons put through the incinerator. The incinerator operated 288 hours. The number of hours for hired trucks was 36 against 27 for March in spite of the fact our Spring clean-up was handled this month.

4. Electrical Permits.

423 wiring inspections made, permit income	\$ 794.14
Revenue from fire alarm box charges	150.00

*A. A. DeBard Jr.*

City Manager.

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CITY MANAGER'S ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT FOR APRIL

A report was submitted from the City Manager for the month of April and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

Copies of the report were furnished the members of Council for their information.

FILED

STATISTICAL REPORT PREFAB HOUSES

REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1954

FOUNDATIONS No advances were made during the month of April 1954. Total Advances for Foundations to-date-\$1,005,990.49.

There is only one foundation not completed, but as the work on this is well advanced and with weather permitting it should be cleared up before long. We anticipate one further borrowing of \$590.00.

CASH SALES 189, all of which have fully completed their foundations, and four of these borrowed from us, with two borrowings repaid.

ACCOUNTS CURRENT 626 of which 175 are at the rate of 5% interest & 451 @ 5½%.

BANK OVERDRAFT Balance as at March 31, 1954 - \$810,539.37  
Balance as at April 30, 1954 - \$774,343.47  
(Decrease over previous month \$36,195.90)

INSTALMENT PAYMENTS IN ARREARS TWO MONTHS OR MORE

37 Accounts totalling \$3,969.50

(Improvement over previous month - 11 accounts)  
(and \$1,165.49 in arrearage.)

L.G. Fraser,  
ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

PARKING LOT REVENUES

The City Manager submitted a report on Parking Lot Revenues for the first three months of 1954 covering the two parking lots on Buckingham and Grafton Sts. and same is attached to the original copy of these minutes.

To: His Worship, R. A. Donahoe, Q. C., and  
Members of City Council,  
From: City Manager, A. A. De Bard, Jr.,  
Date: May 5, 1954  
Subject: Parking Lot Revenues

Alderman Kitz requested that figures for gross revenues for the two parking lots be submitted for the first three months of 1954.

Buckingham Street Parking Lot - (Meters)

January	\$ 167.11	
February	80.26	
March	<u>183.27</u>	<u>\$ 430.64</u>

Grafton Street Parking Lot - Merchant Operated

Cash receipts (Jan.-Mar.)	\$ 325.03	
Weekly Parking Receipts	269.00	
Merchants' Charges - Jan. + Feb.	170.50	
Charges - Mar. est.	<u>85.00</u>	<u>\$ 849.53</u>

A. A. DeBard

City Manager.

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Copies of the report were furnished the members of Council for their information.

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Aldermen Hatfield that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 11:00 P.M.

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*R.A. Donahoe*  
R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
Mayor and Chairman.

*W.P. Publicover*  
W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

EVENING SESSION  
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
June 1, 1954,  
8:00 P.M.

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, Dunlop, Lloyd, Kitz, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Also present were Messrs. A.A. DeBard, Jr., W.P. Publicover, R.H. Stoddard, R.L. Rooney, A.J. Yeadon, L.M. Romkey, G.F. West, and A.P. Flynn.

The meeting was called specially to consider:

1. Tourist Bureau Appropriation
2. Capital Budget.

TOURIST BUREAU APPROPRIATION

Halifax, N.S.,  
June 1, 1954.

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

An appropriation of \$5,000.00 has been provided in the current estimates for the operation of the Tourist Bureau and as City Council has granted permission to the Junior Board of Trade to conduct the Bureau for the season of 1954, authorization is requested to pay the sum of \$1,200.00 per month to the Junior Board of Trade, the total payments not to exceed the above sum.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman MacMillan  
that the report be approved. Motion passed.

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Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that Council adjourn and meet as a Committee of the Whole.

Motion passed.

8:10 P.M. Council adjourned.

12 o'clock midnight Council reconvened the following members being present: His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Dunlop, Macdonald, Lloyd, Kitz, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

CAPITAL BUDGET 1954

Halifax, N.S.,  
June 1, 1954.

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

At a meeting of a Committee of the Whole Council held on the above date the Capital Budget as submitted by the City Manager was considered and amended as follows:

B U D G E T

<u>Items</u>	<u>City Manager's Recommendations</u>	<u>Committees Recommendations</u>
1. Street Paving	178,500.00	202,000.00
2. Sidewalks, Curbs & Gutters	133,000.00	278,000.00
3. Sewer Construction	135,000.00	135,000.00
4. Sewer Rehabilitation	16,000.00	16,000.00
5. Roadway Widening	89,000.00	89,000.00
6. Heavy Equipment	44,000.00	44,000.00
7. Schools	487,000.00	487,000.00
8. School Board -- Paving Schoolyards	35,000.00	35,000.00
9. Buckingham Street Parking Lot	12,000.00	12,000.00
10. Fire Department Pumper	27,000.00	27,000.00
11. Flinn Park	5,500.00	5,500.00
12. Telephone Intercom. - City Hall	7,000.00	7,000.00
13. Westmount - Chebucto Road area	10,000.00	10,000.00
14. Recreation Commission	20,000.00	20,000.00
15. City Field - Sprinklers	22,000.00	Deferred
16. " " Heating	15,000.00	Deferred
17. " " Roof	14,000.00	14,000.00
18. Airport Land	100,000.00	100,000.00
19. Nova Scotia College of Art	100,000.00	Deferred

The Committee agreed to recommend that the Budget as amended be approved and also that in connection with the installation of a sewer in the Strawberry Hill Area and the widening of Sackville Street, these projects be not undertaken until approval of Council is first obtained.

The Committee further agreed to recommend that the City Manager be requested to submit the Capital Budget for the year 1955 to

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Council on or before March 31, 1955.

Respectfully submitted,

W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

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

FLUORESCENT STREET LIGHTING

To: His Worship, R.A. Donahoe, Q.C., and  
Members of City Council.  
From: City Electrician, A.P. Flynn.  
Date: June 1st, 1954.  
Subject: Street Lighting

As requested at the last meeting of City Council to submit a report on relighting the business streets with fluorescent street lighting, the following is for your information.

I would recommend, as in my last report to Council, the purchase and installation of the fluorescent luminaires as now installed on trial basis on Spring Garden Road with the addition of 8 to complete this street to Barrington Street. As to the relighting of Barrington Street, Gottingen Street, Agricola Street and Quinpool Road with fluorescent street lighting, I would request your permission to further study this lighting and also to bring in on trial basis Mercury Vapour Luminaires, similar to those now installed in various sections of the City such as the new parking lot on Grafton Street, with new color corrected lamp which shows a white light instead of a bluish tint.

If it is the intent of Council to have these streets relighted with fluorescent luminaires at this time, a capital borrowing of \$32,000.00 will have to be provided for. This amount does not cover the purchase or installation of fluorescent luminaires for Spring Garden Road. At the present time there is about \$5,000.00 remaining in the \$60,000.00 capital borrowing for improved street lighting which will take care of this installation.

Attached is a street lighting cost analysis for Barrington Street, Spring Garden Road, Gottingen Street, Agricola Street and Quinpool Road. You will note that the installation cost of fluorescent luminaires is quite high compared with incandescent and mercury but the operating and current costs are lower and may be even lower when they have been given a fair trial by the Power Company in regard to maintenance as they are based at the present time at the same rate as incandescent luminaires.

A.P. Flynn  
CITY ELECTRICIAN.

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Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by Alderman Dunlop that the report be approved. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Allen that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 12:01 o'clock.

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R.A. Donahoe, Q.C.,  
MAYOR & CHAIRMAN.

*W. P. Publicover*  
W.P. Publicover,  
CITY CLERK.

AFTERNOON SESSION  
SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber,  
City Hall,  
Halifax, N.S.,  
June 9, 1954,  
4:45 P.M.

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

After the meeting was called to order by the Deputy Mayor 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 Her Worship the Deputy Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Dunlop, Macdonald, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, O'Malley, Allen, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Also present were Messrs. A.A. DeBard, Jr., W.P. Publicover, R.H. Stoddard, A.J. Yeadon, R.L. Rooney, G.F. West and Dr. A.R. Morton.

The Meeting was called specially to consider Capital Borrowing Resolutions.

Formal resolutions were submitted for the following items:

STREET PAVING \$202,000.00

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

SIDEWALKS, CURBS & GUTTERS \$278,000.00

Alderman Vaughan advised that a petition had been filed with the Commissioner of Works for sidewalks on the north side of Glebe Street from Göttingen Street to Lynch Street.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Kitz that Glebe Street, north side from Göttingen Street to Lynch Street be added to the program at a cost of \$5,000.00. Motion passed.

Alderman MacMillan advised that a petition has been mislaid for sidewalks on Glendale Road.

Moved by Alderman MacMillan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that Glendale Road be added to the program at a cost of \$6,000.00.

Motion passed.

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A Borrowing Resolution for the sum of \$289,000.00 was then submitted.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the resolution be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

SEWER CONSTRUCTION \$135,000.00

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Allen that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

SEWER REHABILITATION \$16,000.00

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

HEAVY EQUIPMENT \$44,000.00

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

PAVING SCHOOL YARDS \$35,000.00

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Allen that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

BUCKINGHAM STREET PARKING LOT \$12,000.00

Moved by Alderman Allen, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

FIRE DEPARTMENT PUMPER \$27,000.00

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

INTERCOMM. CITY HALL \$7,000.00

Moved by Alderman Kitz, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

RECREATION COMMISSION \$20,000.00

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously.

CITY FIELD ROOF \$18,000.00

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman MacMillen that the resolution as submitted be approved.

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Alderman Lloyd referred to Paragraph 1 on Page 1 of the City Manager's Report on the Capital Budget which read as follows :  
"our per capita debt is one of the highest in Canada, possibly exceeded only by that of Vancouver".

He said according to official figures of the Citizens' Research Bureau Halifax was exceeded by Victoria who has a per capita debt of \$250.00: Vancouver \$183.00: Halifax \$160.00: Edmonton \$255.00 and about 15 other municipalities who run higher than Halifax.

He continued as follows: "The City has a bond issue recently made and reference to per capita debt has to be made with very careful selection of data. It is pretty difficult to say what is the position of Halifax with other places without spelling out the details of those other places. There are all sorts of considerations to be taken into account. By 1953 figures the City of Halifax is running close to \$200.00. Edmonton \$263.00. London \$94.00. Regina \$136.00. Victoria \$241.00. A figure selected in one year is not sufficient to give an indication of a City's debt. I make these observations because we are dealing with capital expenditures. It was a subject of newspaper and radio comment".

The motion was then put and passed unanimously.

#### PAVING SARAH STREET

Alderman O'Malley requested that the above street be added to the 1954 Paving program.

The matter was deferred until the next regular meeting of City Council

#### PURCHASE LOUD SPEAKER

Alderman MacMillan stated the City paid \$400.00 rent for a loud speaker system at various times and that the purchase price was just about the same. It would be wiser to purchase one and have it for all events when required.



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The City Manager said that as it was an item under \$500.00 it did not require Council action and that he would look into the matter.

#### GARBAGE DISPOSAL PLANT

Alderman Vaughan expresses his displeasure because no provision has been made for an incinerator or a modern garbage disposal plant. He said it was not a new matter. The present dump is unsightly, insanitary, a menace to all and a disgrace to the City of Halifax. He understood the incinerator was not capable of handling the waste matter of the City and for that reason some action should be taken. He saw no funds provided in the Capital Budget for this matter. He felt the officials charged with carrying out the administration of the City should face the problem and bring in suggestions for the proper disposal of garbage. He also stated figures should have been submitted so the Aldermen could study same and make a decision.

#### DEPUTY MAYOR LANE

Alderman Vaughan said this was a historic day as it was the first time a woman had presided at a meeting of City Council since Halifax was incorporated in 1851 and that Deputy Mayor Lane had conducted the meeting in a dignified manner.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned. 5:05 P.M.

#### LIST OF HEADLINES

Street Paving \$202,000.00	498
Sidewalks, Curbs & Gutters \$17,000.00	498
Sewer Construction \$135,000.00	499
Sewer Rehabilitation \$10,000.00	499
Heavy Equipment \$45,000.00	499
Paving School Yards \$35,000.00	499
Buckingham Street Parking Lot \$12,000.00	499
Fire Department Prayer \$27,000.00	499
Intercomm. City Hall \$7,000.00	499
Recreation Commission \$20,000.00	499
City Field Roof \$14,000.00	500
Paving Sarah Street	500
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Deputy Mayor and Chairman.

*H. P. Sullivan*  
*City Clerk,*