

DARTMOUTH TOWN COUNCIL MINUTES

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Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Monday, January 23, 1917.

Town Council met this day at 7.30.p.m. Present Mayor Williams, Councillors Russell, Herman, Tobin, Mosher, Lynch and Barter.

Minutes of last three meetings read and confirmed.

A deputation from Dartmouth Engine Company were present; J.J.O'Toole, Ex-Captain of the Company was heard in support of their letter submitted to night asking that the members of that company be granted an exemption from taxes of Ten dollars per annum. Referred to incoming Council to deal with.

The following other letters were read;-

WORKMENS COMPENSATION BOARD, with bill for \$37.00 for three months assessment now due. Ordered paid.

E.H. McELMON, giving notice that his offer of land for Cemetery purposes would not be good after 10th, Feby, next. Filed.

W.H. PREST, C.E. Halifax, applying for employment. File.

DART. PRINTING & PUB. Co, Ltd. offering to print 400 copies of Town Report and publish the usual financial statement in "Patriot" for \$1.50 per page for report. Accepted.

W.C. BISHOP, applying for position of public weigher. On motion he was appointed.

A.R. PUBLICOVER, Engineer of Steam Fire Engine, reporting that the boiler, pumps, etc, are urgently in need of repairs.

Referred to Fire Committee to report on.

CIRCULAR LETTER from SCHOOL BOARD, showing arguments in support of proposed new school house. On motion of Councillors Russell and Herman, Resolved, that while this Council does not wish to be committed to any particular site for the proposed new school, it endorses the principal of using property owned by the town in preference to purchasing new property for this purpose. Passed.

It was moved and seconded by Councillors Tobin and Lynch, that the Town Clerk be instructed to get a written offer from owners of Kuhn property on Cole Harbor Road. Passed.

On motion, C.W. Waterfield, J.S. Warner & F.W. Bailey were reappointed Revisors of Electoral lists at same salary as last year.

OPINION ; TOWN SOLICITOR read as follows;-

"I have looked up the records of the conveyance of Tupper street to the Town of partmouth by the representatives of Tupper, Troop and Parker and find it is bounded on the west by the eastern boundary of the Railway. The deed gives the right to an outlet for a sewer beyond the Railway right of way--and this only."

File.

The Auditors Annual Report and Financial Statements for year ended Dec 30.1916 were submitted, and on motion received and 400 copies ordered to be printed for distribution to ratepayers.

A number of accounts were passed for payment.

Approved,

E. G. Williams
Mayor.

Adjourned,

A. Elliot
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,
Monday, February 6, 1917.

Town Council met this day at 7.30.p.m. Present Mayor Williams, Councillors Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Herman, Carter and Tobin, also Town Solicitor Foster.

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

On motion of Councillors Herman and Tobin, Councillor Mosher was appointed Presiding Councillor for the ensuing year.

The three ^{senior} Councillors, viz;- Mosher, Lynch and Carter were appointed a Committee to nominate Standing Committees. They retired and soon after reported recommending that Standing Committees and other appointments be as follows;-

S T A N D I N G C O M M I T T E E S.

Finance;-	Lynch, Mosher, Carter.
Streets and Public Property;-	Carter, Herman, Mosher.
Water and Sewerage;-	Tobin, Lynch, McLean.
Police and Licenses;-	Mosher, Carter, Herman.
Fire Apparatus;-	Herman, McLean, Carter.
Fire Wards;-	Carter, Herman, McLean.
Charities;-	McLean, Herman, Tobin.
To Revise Rate Book ;-	Carter, Mosher, Tobin.
Appeal Court;-	Carter, Mosher, Herman.
Revisors Jury Lists;-	Tobin, Carter, Mosher.
Reading Room Director;-	Herman.
Legislation;-	The Mayor, CrsLynch, McLean.
Industries;-	The Mayor, " Lynch, Tobin.
Town Plan;-	The Mayor, " Herman, &McLean
Dartmouth Ferry Commission;-	The Mayor, " Tobin & Herman.
ark Commission;-	The Mayor, " Carter & McLean.
School Commissioners;-	Mosher, McLean, Lynch.

The first named on each Committee to be Chairman thereof.

Report Adopted.

Mr. W. R. Foster informed the Council of his appointment as Stipendiary Magistrate, and requested that Mr. R. A. McLeod of Halifax, be appointed his Deputy, whereupon on motion of Councillors Mosher and Lynch, Mr. McLeod was so appointed.

The following other appointments were made, viz;-
Ferry Commissioner:- (Term 3 years). George A. Sterns, reappointed.
Court House Commissioner;- W. R. Foster.

Auditors;- George Foot & Walter Creighton

Fence Viewers;- Councers. Lynch & Mosher.

Fire Constables;- H. B. Gentles. J. P. Dunn
Alex. D. ~~Ripley~~ Coulter.

Public Weighers;- J. S. Warner. C. I. Allen.
W. Meredith. W. C. Bishop.

Surveyors of Lumber;- Ellsworth Smith. Alex Smith.

Caretaker at Engine House;- Thomas Lissen.

Foreman of Streets Eugene Nichols

The following resolutions were passed;-

RESOLVED, that William McKenzie be and is hereby appointed Chief of Police, and Pound Keeper for the Town of Dartmouth for the current year at the same salary as last year, and \$50.00 additional per annum for clothing.

RESOLVED, that William McKenzie, A. Sidney Johnston, and Elwin W. McKay be and are hereby appointed Sanitary Inspectors for the Town of Dartmouth for the current year, at a salary as under;- William McKenzie \$60.00. A. S. Johnston \$45.00 and E. W. McKay \$45.00, and the limits within which they shall have jurisdiction shall be designated to be the Town of Dartmouth.

RESOLVED, That A. Sidney Johnston and Elwin W. McKay be and are hereby appointed Policemen and Pound Keepers for the current year at the same salary as last year, and \$50.00 additional per annum for clothing, said salary to include all duties as heretofore as well as those duties connected with the Water Department, required of them.

RESOLVED, That William McKenzie be and is hereby appointed License Inspector for the Town of Dartmouth for the ensuing year at same salary as last year.

Letters were read as follows;-

From C. W. WATERFIELD, stating that he was unable to accept the office of Revisor of Electoral Lists, being a Dominion Govt. official. Received.

PARKER ARCHIBALD, COUNTY CLERK (Jan 27.17) asking whether the account of the County against the Town for expenses of the boundary survey could not be settled before the meeting of the County Council in February. Deferred.

E. I. RUDDY CO, Ltd, in regard to their bill boards. Referred to License Committee, with Town Solicitor to report on.

J. T. HALLISEY, SUPT, CAN. GOVT. RAILWAYS, with form of lease in triplicate for a three year term for a Water supply. Referred to Water Committee with Town Solicitor to report on.

A. T. LOWNDES, Messenger asking for an increase in salary. Referred to Finance Committee to report on.

EDGAR H. LEVY and DOUGLAS MILLS, applying for position of Revisor of Electoral Lists. The first named was appointed.

Approved,

Adjourned,

E. P. Williams
Mayor.

W. Halliwell
Town Clerk.

I, Edward F. Williams, Mayor elected for the Town of Dartmouth, do sincerely promise and swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George V, as lawful sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Dominion of Canada, dependent on and belonging to said Kingdom, and that I will defend him to the utmost of my power against all traitorous conspiracies or attempts whatsoever which shall be made against His Person, Crown and Dignity, and that I will do my utmost to disclose and make known to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, all treasons or traitorous conspiracies and attempts which I shall know to be against Him or any one of them, and all this I do swear, without any equivocation, mental evasion or secret reservation.

SO HELP ME GOD

Sworn to before me, this
6th day of February, A.D.
1917.

W. J. P.
J.P.
Accepted
in and for the Co. of
Halifax

E. F. Williams

I, Edward F. Williams, do swear that I am duly qualified as required by law, for the office of Mayor of the Town of Dartmouth, and that I will faithfully perform the duties of Mayor while I hold office, to the best of my ability.

SO HELP ME GOD

Sworn to before me, this
6th day of February, A.D.
1917

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Halifax

E. F. Williams

Town of Dartmouth, N. S.

We, the undersigned,

Charles A. McLean, Councillor for Ward One.

Frederick W. Herman, Councillor for Ward Two.

James A. Tobin, Councillor for Ward Three.

For the Town of Dartmouth do severally, sincerely promise and swear that We will be faithful and bear true allegiance to His Majesty King George V as lawful sovereign of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the Dominion of Canada, dependent on and belonging to the United Kingdom, and that We will defend Him to the utmost of our power against all traitorous conspiracies or attempts whatsoever which shall be made against His Person, Crown and Dignity, and that We will do our utmost to disclose and make known to His Majesty, His Heirs and Successors, all treason or traitorous conspiracies and attempts which We shall know to be against Him or any one of them, and all this do We severally swear, without any equivocation, mental evasion or secret reservation. SO HELP ME GOD

Sworn to at Dartmouth, this }
6th day of February, A. D. }
1917

Frederick W. Herman

Charles A. McLean

James A. Tobin

Mayor)

J. G. Williams

Town of Dartmouth, S. S.

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For the Town of Dartmouth, do severally solemnly swear that We are duly qualified as required by law for the office of Councillor for the Town of Dartmouth, and that We will faithfully perform the duties of Councillor while we hold office, to the best of our ability.

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6th day of February, A. D.
1917.

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Charles A. McLean
James A. Tobin

Mayor.

E. G. Williams

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Friday, February 23, 1917.

Town Council met this day at 7.30.p.m. Mayor Williams in the Chair. Present also Councillors Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Herman and Tobin .

Minutes of last meeting read and confirmed.

On motion the order of business was suspended and a hearing given to a delegation from the North End Civic Improvement League, consisting of Messrs J. Forsyth, John Moir, Rev. C. W. Vernon and A. C. Pettipas. The delegation then retired, and the order of business was then taken up.

The Estimates of the several standing committees were submitted and referred to the Finance Committee to consider and report upon.

The following letters were read, from;-

C. E. CREIGHTON, Chairman, Directors of Reading Room, applying for the usual grant of \$250. for the current year. Referred to Finance Committee.

ALPIN. E. WALKER, asking the price of a lot of land owned by the town on Rose Street, recently owned by Ernest Richards. Referred to Public Property Committee to report on.

MRS MARTHA KUHN, offering her farm on Cole Harbor Road, 127 acres, 25 acres being cleared land, for \$9000. Referred to Cemetery Committee to report on. As the Committee for this purpose had not been appointed this year, it was decided that the Mayor nominate a committee, whereupon he then nominated the whole council as the committee, this was unanimously agreed to.

J. J. TRUEB, claiming a refund of water rates he had overpaid, viz, \$3. a year for 12 years - \$36. Referred to water Committee.

SECRETARY, NORTH END CIVIC IMPROVMENT LEAGUE, asking that \$500. be voted for planting trees and making improvements in general in Victoria Park. Referred to Councillors Mosher and McLean.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES, asking for the use of the town's teams and drivers in collecting waste paper, etc, during a "Thrift" Campaign they proposed carrying on the ensuing spring and summer, the proceeds of which were to be applied to the funds of their order. Referred to Street Committee, with authority to give all the assistance possible.

MAJOR ADAMS, of the Returned Soldiers Depot, Halifax, requesting a donation of \$20. towards cost of a piano for their rooms.

It was agreed that the public be asked to subscribe the amount.

DART. ELECTRIC LIGHT CO., Ltd, stating they proposed to apply to the Board of Public Utilities to allow a new schedule of rates for lighting and power to come into force from Feb 1. 1917.

A hearing would be given at the office of that Board on Feb'y 27th, inst. On motion of Councillors Lynch and Herman,

WHEREAS;- The Dartmouth, Gas, Electric Light, Heating and Power Company, Ltd, have applied to the Board of Commission of Public Utilities for approval of a new schedule of rates for electric lighting and power to be effective in the Town of Dartmouth, and

WHEREAS, it is proposed under the new schedule to increase the minimum monthly charge for lighting purposes from fifty cents to one dollar,

RESOLVED;- That the Council strenuously protest against the action of the said Company in increasing the Minimum charge.

FURTHER RESOLVED;- That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Board of Commission of Public Utilities.

Passed.

On motion of the same, Resolved, that Acting Town Solicitor Murray be instructed to prepare the Town's case and present same at the meeting of the Board of Public Utilities referred to.

Passed.

Dr. H. A. Payzant was appointed "Health Officer" for current year at same salary as last year.

The Mayor called attention to the need of the room in old Post Office granted for the use of Dartmouth Returned Soldiers, being fitted with tables, chairs, etc. At request of Council he appointed Councillors Tobin, Herman and McLean a Committee to solicit funds for this worthy object.

A number of accounts were passed for payment.

Approved

Adjourned,

E. F. Williams
Mayor.

W. Elliot
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Friday, March 9. 1917,

Town Council met this day at 8.30.p.m. Mayor Williams in the Chair. Councillors present, Mosher, McLean, Herman, Carter, Lynch and Tobin, also Deputy Solicitor Murray.

A delegation from the U.P.C. were given a hearing. They requested to be furnished with a motor car in place of another waggon such as the company have been using. The Council decided to give the proposal their consideration when making up the estimates.

Letters were read from the following;-

DEPUTY MINISTER OF MARINE , re Water Lots, applied for by W. A. Henry and R.V. Harris, asking whether the town was prepared to withdraw its objection. It was decided that objection thereto be withdrawn, provided that any filling in of the extension Water Lots shall not interfere with any Sewer outlet or privileges now enjoyed by the Town of Dartmouth through the Water Lot front on Stairs St., and that the North side line of the proposed extension Water Lots should not encroach on the town's Water lot, known as the Geary St, Water Lot, north of the Henry and Harris property.

DARTMOUTH SCHOOL BOARD, applying for the sum of \$24,546. being the amount required by the Board for School purposes for the current year, also asking the Council to secure Legislation during the present session of the Legislature to amend sec.4.cap.58.acts 1916. by striking out the words "three hundred" in the third line and inserting the words "four hundred" in their stead, also authorizing the issue of debentures for a sum not exceeding \$100,000. for the purpose of erecting one or more new School Buildings. Agreed to.

A. C. COOTE, wishing to be informed what arrangements were being made in regard to cultivation of vacant lots in the town during the coming summer. Received and action deferred.

A. P. HOOK & W. C. BISHOP, complaining of damage to their premises by the backing up of storm water into their cellars from the Sewers. Referred to Water Committee to report on.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES, expressing their thanks for assistance offered in connection with proposed "Thrift Campaign". File.

A. C. JOHNSTON, suggesting that a sum be included in the Estimates for the upkeep of the strip of ground bordering the boulevarded Sidewalks, and that provision be made for imposing fines on persons walking thereon, and calling attention to the absence of trees long promised for such sidewalks. Referred to Street Committee.

HEIRS GEO. TULLOCH, offering their property on Gaston Road 15 acres, 5 cultivated for \$3000., for Cemetery purposes. Received and placed on file.

Wm. H. McEILMON, asking the price for the town's lot, Rose Street. (Simmonds-Hill Lot). Referred to Street Committee for report.

J. POND, Manager, Dartmouth Laundry, asking for a reduction in the Water Rates charged them. Referred to Water Committee.

On motion of Councillors Lynch and Mosher, Resolved, that R. H. Murray, Barrister, be and is hereby appointed Deputy Town Solicitor, his appointment to date from February 26th, 1917. Passed.

On motion of Councillors Herman and Tobin, Resolved, that for the purpose of defraying the annual current expenditure of Town of Dartmouth, which has been duly authorized by the Council, the Council do effect a temporary loan from the Royal Bank of Canada, for the sum of \$12,000. and that the Mayor and the Town Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to execute in the name and under the corporate seal of the said Town of Dartmouth, the agreement with the said Bank in relation to said loan, which has been presented to this meeting and is hereby approved. Passed.

On motion the Deputy Town Solicitor was authorized to draft legislation to provide for;-

The issue of Water Bills annually instead of semi-annually as at present!

The increase of the Poll tax from \$2.00 to \$3.00
" " " " Dog " " \$1.00 " \$2.00 and for bitches \$3.00

On motion of Councillors

RESOLVED, that a public meeting of the Ratepayers be held at the Assembly Hall of Greenvale School on March 27th, inst, to consider;-

1. The issue of debentures of the town for \$8000. now authorized for the purchase of land for a Public Cemetery.
2. Securing legislation for the issue of an additional sum of \$4000. for that purpose.
3. The choice by ballot of the following three sites, viz;-

The Kuhn Farm. Cole Harbor Road.
McElmon, Allison & Parker lands, Prince Albert Park, and
R.J. Marvin's land. Eastern Passage Road,

and that a vote of the ratepayers with respect thereto be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, March 31st. FURTHER RESOLVED, that the price per acre and the number of acres be stated in the notice calling the meeting, and on the ballots. passed.

On motion of Councillors Tobin and Mosher, Resolved, that price for water supplied to the Canadian Government Railways be ten(10¢) cents per 1000 gals. and that ten(10%) per cent on the cost of the instalation of a meter be charged to cover interest and depreciation.

Approved,

Adjourned

E. G. Williams

Mayor

W. Elliot

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Tuesday, March 20, 1917.

Town Council met this date at 7.30 p. m. Present Mayor Williams in the chair. Councillors present Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Carter and Tobin also acting Town Solicitor Murray.

Minutes of the last two meetings were read and confirmed.

A delegation from the Board of Trade were present consisting of Messrs. R. L. Graham, J. L. Allen, W. C. Bishop and others. Mr. R. L. Graham was heard in support of the Town Planning Board and urged that the vacancies on the Board be filled up so that the Board could carry out its functions. Captain J. L. Allen was heard and spoke in favor of the Town assisting in the removal of garbage and ashes from dwelling-houses during the summer months. W. C. Bishop urged the appointment of a publicity man by the Town who would devote his whole time to advertising the Town and otherwise to bring to the notice of persons looking for manufacturing sites the advantages of Dartmouth as a manufacturing centre and a residential Town.

A delegation attended representing the Nova Scotia branch of the Canadian Patriotic Fund. They were A. S. Barnstead and secretary Saunders of the Halifax Board of Trade and Thomas Notting, A. C. Pyke and R. L. Graham of Dartmouth.

They explained the financial status of the Fund and gave facts and figures showing the great need of additional contributions and asked that the Council arrange for a liberal contribution from Dartmouth.

The Finance Committee's report re estimates for the current year was taken up and read as follows:-

Balance due Bank		\$9178.
Amounts required per reports of Committees;-		
Finance	15247	
Fire	3338	
Charities	3790	
Police & Licenses	2387	
Streets & Public Property	<u>11235</u>	35987.
Schools, per Estimate	24546	
Sinking Fund \$11200 @ 2%	234	
" " \$94000 @ 1%	940	
Municipal School Fund	2400	
Exemptions, Widows, etc.	<u>170</u>	28280.
Exemptions to Firemen etc. \$400, Disc., \$700 & non-coll \$100		<u>1200.</u>
Forward		74645.

Revenue.

Forward	74645
Cash on Hand	137

Taxes overdue, 1915 & 1916, after deduction probable amt. not collectable this year	12000	
Poll Tax, 1917	800	
Bank Taxes	300	
Fines	140	
Court Fees	200	
Licenses	200	
Dog Tax	230	
Interest on overdue taxes	700	
Rent, Walker property	120	
" , Exhibition Building and Tower	<u>225</u>	<u>14915</u> <u>15052</u>

Net amount to be assessed on Real and Personal property \$59593.

Real Estate	\$2,420,850	
Personal	<u>624,900</u>	\$3,045,750

Value of property in Halifax, liable for School Rates to Dartmouth \$81,850

-LESS-		
Value of property whose owners reside in Halifax	<u>66,600</u>	<u>15,350</u>
Total for School Rates		\$3,061,100

The rate for School purposes on the above valuations will be 92¢ per \$100. and will give on \$15,350 \$141.
 The Rate for Town purposes on the above valuations will be \$1.95 per \$100 (including schools) and will give on \$3,045,750 59,392. \$59533
 or \$60 less than the amount required 60.

The Report was adopted.

On motion of Councillors Lynch and Mosher, RESOLVED, that the Assessment Roll, as finally passed by the Court of Appeal and completed and now laid on the table before this meeting, be and the same is hereby confirmed, and the Council authorize the levying and collection of rates for the current year of One Dollar and ninety-five cents per \$100, on the assessed value, as per the Assessment Roll, which Assessment Roll and Rates are hereby confirmed; FURTHER RESOLVED that the rate for school purposes to be levied and collected for the current year on property in the City of Halifax be Ninety-two cents per \$100; FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Poll Tax of \$2.00 as provided by law, be ordered to be levied and collected. Passed.

SINKING FUND;

The Finance Committee reported that they had given careful consideration to the question of the investment of the Sinking Fund of the Town and reported further as under.

We find that there are two ways in which this Fund may be invested, namely:-

1st. By depositing in a chartered Bank.

2nd, To have it invested in accordance with the Municipal Debentures Act of 1914.

The "Municipal Debentures Act" provides that a town may pay its Sinking Funds into a Trust Company appointed by the Governor-in-Council, and that the Funds shall be invested only in such securities as are approved of by the Governor-in-Council".

An audited statement shows that we have now deposited for Town Sinking Fund purposes the sum of Twenty-five Thousand (\$25,000) Dollars. This amount is now deposited in Bank earning 3½% interest.

Under the Debentures Act the Governor-in-Council has appointed the Eastern Trust Company, a Commissioner of Municipal Sinking Funds.

The Governor-in-Council have provided that the Trust Company shall invest Sinking Funds in three classes of securities, namely:-

1. Bonds of Province of Nova Scotia.
2. Bonds of Municipalities.
3. Dominion of Canada War Loan.

The FINANCE COMMITTEE believe that by investing the Sinking Funds in any of the above securities through the Trust Company, the earning power of our Fund will be increased from 3½% to 5%.

By increasing the earning power of \$25,000. Sinking Fund from 3½% to 5% the net gain to the Fund in twenty years would be Twenty-three thousand (\$23,000) Dollars.

In 1916 we paid into the Sinking Fund from current revenue \$7300. Figuring this annual payment into the Sinking Fund on the 3½% Bank interest basis and the 5% net earning basis till the Bonds mature there is shown a further profit to the Town of \$34,000.

It will be seen that by investing our Sinking Funds to their fullest earning capacity, under the Debentures Act, the Town will make a profit of approximately Fifty-seven Thousand Dollars (57,000).

Your Committee recommend that the Sinking Funds of the Town of Dartmouth be invested in accordance with the Municipal Debentures Act, and that the agreement with the Eastern Trust Company be signed by the Mayor and Clerk.

We further recommend that the Trust Company be instructed to invest Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) of the Fund in the Canadian War Loan, and the balance of the Fund in securities of other Municipalities.

The Report was adopted.

The Committee on Water and Sewerage reported on matters referred to them as under:-

1. Letter of W. C. BISHOP, complaining of Sewer Water backing up into the cellar of his house on Portland Street:- Your Committee find that the water referred to came from the ground surrounding his house, and not from Sewerage backed up by storm water in the main Sewers, which would be impossible.
2. J. POND'S request for a reduced rate for Water for the Wet Wash Laundry:- Your Committee find that the price charged him, Viz; 15¢ per 1000 gals. is greater than the business affords and advise that it be reduced to ten cents per 1000gals, to date from Nov. 1, 1916.
3. Re GEORGE SKIDMORE'S verbal objection to paying the domestic rate on his house property, Jamieson Street, on the ground that house is situated some 300 feet from Street line:- Your Committee advise be not entertained, he being liable to that rate under the Water Act.
4. With regard to the various complaints from property owners on Portland Street, near the corner of Hawthorne Street, that storm water, during heavy rains, backs up Sewer water into their cellars:- Your Committee recommend in order to remedy this, that the 12" Sewer pipe on Portland Street be taken up and replaced by a 24" pipe for a distance of 20 feet east and 15 feet west of the Manhole at the corner of Portland and Pleasant Street (Burton's Hill) and the Sewer be laid somewhat deeper to give a continuous flow. Your Committee believe this will prevent the trouble referred to. The work will cost approximately \$150.

The Report was adopted.

The following motions were passed:-

Moved by Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor

McLean.

RESOLVED That the Solicitor be instructed to prepare legislation authorizing the Town of Dartmouth to include in the estimates for the current fiscal year the sum of Five Thousand Dollars(\$5000); such sum to be assessed, and paid to the Canadian Patriotic Committee.

Moved by Councillor Tobin, seconded by Councillor McLean.

RESOLVED, That the Clerk be instructed to advertise sale of Lots now owned by the Town through Lien Law said lots to be sold at Public Auction.

Moved by Councillor Tobin, seconded by Councillor Herman.

RESOLVED, That Eugene Nichols be appointed Superintendent of Streets and Water, for the Town of Dartmouth. (Subject to repeal of Act appointing the Superintendent for life.)

Moved by Councillor Tobin, seconded by Councillor Lynch.

RESOLVED, That the Water supply be turned off the premises of persons who do not have their water Rates paid on or before the 23rd day of April next.

The following letters were read:-

WILLIAM H. MUIR, Halifax offering his property in the Town known as the Brodie property, for Cemetery purposes, some thirteen acres, for the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6000). Ordered filed.

LEWIS PAMPERIN, stating that he had purchased a building lot on Erskine Street and asked that a road be made there and that the Water and Sewer Mains be laid down as he intended building on his lot. Referred to Town Solicitor to report on the Town's right to use this Street.

H. B. RICHARDS, Beech Street asking for the price of the lot on Rose Street sold at tax, formerly owned by Ernest Richards.

DARTMOUTH ROD AND GUN CLUB, stating that they considered it doubtful whether their property was in the Town limits or not and desired that the matter be settled as soon as possible. If it was decided that their property was within the limits of the Town they would pay their taxes thereon. They have received tax notice from the County of Halifax in regard to this property. Deferred.

S. P. DUMARESQ, Architect for the Maritime T. & T. Co., asking that the Sewer and Water Mains be extended south on Wentworth Street from Ochterloney Street in order to give that Company water for their proposed building. Referred to Water Committee.

A draft of agreement from the Eastern Trust Company in connection with the investment of the Town Sinking Fund was read and referred to acting Town Solicitor Murray to report upon. Mr. Murray submitted a draft of new legislation proposed and after some consideration several amendments were agreed to, and the same then referred to him to place before the legislature.

A recent letter received from the Dartmouth Fire Engine Company asking that the firemen's exemption be increased to Ten Dollars (10.00) per year was discussed and the matter referred back to the Fire Committee for consideration and report.

A number of accounts were passed for payment, and Council then adjourned.

Approved,

E. P. Williams
Mayor.

W. Elliot
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, April 9th 1917.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m., present Mayor Williams, Councillors Lynch, Carter, Herman and McLean.

The following letters were read from:

THE CANADIAN CARBONATE CO. asking for a special rate for a water supply for a factory they propose to build in Dartmouth.

This was referred to the Water Committee to report upon.

W. E. BAULD stating he was about to build on his lot on the Bares Property, Pine St., and asking for a sewer and water connection with the mains on Rose St., which street was opposite his lot. This was referred to the Water Committee to report upon.

MARITIME TEL. & TEL. CO. requesting permission to put a conduit under ground between Portland and Ochterloney Streets, to take wires into their new building on Wentworth St. This was referred to Street Committee to report upon.

A number of bills were passed for payment and the Council then adjourned.

Approved.

E. P. Williams
Mayor

W. Elliot
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, April 3rd, 1917.

A meeting of the Town Council was held this day at 7.30 p. m. Mayor Williams in the chair. Councillors present, Mosher, MacLean, Lynch, Carter and Tobin, also Acting Town Solicitor Murray. The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

J. G. W. Campbell, C. E., being present was asked by the Mayor to explain the work he had done in revising the street lines on the new Town Plan prepared by Johnson and Carson. This he did at considerable length. After some discussion the following resolution, moved by Councillor Lynch and seconded by Councillor MacLean was adopted four to one. (Councillor Mosher)

RESOLVED: That the Clerk be instructed to advertise in the Press that the Town Plan will be on file at the Town Hall and any property owner having any objection to the Plan will be required to register such objection in writing to the Clerk on or before the thirteenth day of April, 1917.

The Mayor submitted a sketch plan showing a change in the location of Erskine Street. It has been suggested that this street be extended from the bend in that street near the Morrison House, westerly to connect with Silver's Road, thence to Hawthorne St.

This matter was discussed and referred to the Street Committee with the Town Solicitor to consider and report upon.

NEW CEMETERY, re vote taken on the 3rd instant. The election returns were read by the Clerk as under;

- 1. Borrowing a sum not exceeding Eleven Thousand Dollars for purchasing land.
 - 122 voted for
 - 46 " against.
- 11. Re-selection of a site, namely
 - A. Kuhn Farm 83 for
 - B. McElmon, Allison and Parker land 23 "
 - C. R. J. Marvin's land 41 "
- 111. Against all sites 21

This matter was deferred until legislation thereon now pending was completed.

THE FIRE COMMITTEE reported re exemption of fireman as follows :

Your Committee recommend that the Active, Active Honorary and Honorary Members of the Dartmouth Axe and Ladder Co., the Dartmouth Engine Co., and the Dartmouth Union Protection Co., be exempted the sum of \$10.00 from their taxes, taxes to include Poll Tax, Dog Tax and any other taxes that the Town may levy.

After a lengthy discussion the matter was deferred.

DRAFT OF AGREEMENT with the Eastern Trust Company relative to the TOWN Sinking Funds submitted by Acting Town Solicitor Murray.

The following amendments were agreed to.

Sec. 1. Strike out the provision that all further funds paid into the Sinking Funds should be paid to the Trust Co.

Sec. 4. Strike out altogether.

The Mayor and Town Clerk were authorized to sign the agreement as amended on behalf of the Town.

The following letters were read from:

THE DARTMOUTH DEVELOPMENT CO. offering to dedicate to the Town a proposed new street leading from the north side of Erskine St. northerly to the south boundary of the property owned by the Town and known as the "Walker Property" upon certain conditions. The letter was accompanied by a plan which, with letter, was referred to the Street Committee to consider and report upon.

THE UNION PROTECTION CO. objected to certain charges in a bill sent them for the permanent sidewalk in front of their property, deferred in order that legislation may be obtained authorizing the Council to comply with their request if deemed expedient.

HENRY STEVENS, Town Driver, asking for an increase in salary- Referred to Fire Committee.

DRAFT OF AGREEMENT WITH THE ELECTRIC LIGHT CO. sent in by the Company for supplying light to the Town Buildings was referred to the Mayor and Town Clerk to report thereon.

DEPUTY MINISTER MARINE AND FISHERIES, OTTAWA, March 28th, 1917, with plan for a certain water lot applied for by the Douglas, Fullerton Co. Ltd. - The Council had no objection to the granting of said lot.

The Water Committee reported re cost of extending water and sewerage on Wentworth St. to serve the Maritime Tel. & Tel. Co's new building. They recommended that the mains be laid down a distance of 160 feet on that street extending from Ochterloney St. The water pipe being 6in. and the sewer 9 in., and that they be charged a minimum rate of \$25.00 per annum for water rates to cover interest on cost of construction.

This report was adopted.

Councillor Lynch asked the Mayor when the Council would be prepared to deal with the disputed boundary question with a view to settlement of same.

Councillor Mosher asked the Mayor to appoint a date to consider the Revised Hackmens By-Laws.

Both these matters were deferred to a date to be fixed by the Mayor. A number of Bills were passed for payment and the Council then adjourned.

APPROVED

E. J. Williams
Mayor

Bellevue
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,
Monday, May 9th, 1917.

The Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m. Present: Mayor Williams Councillors McLean, Lynch, Herman, Carfer and Tobin.

Petition read from property owners residing near the junction of Wentworth and Church Streets complaining of the overflow of Storm Water on their properties.

Another petition from ratepayers of Maple and Thistle Streets was read, praying the Council to have Thistle Street opened up from Maple St. to Mayflower St.

Both petitions were referred to Street Committee to report upon.

The Committee on Water and Sewerage reported, as follows:-

1. Re: extension on Rose and Pine Streets to supply two houses. The estimated cost is \$1274.30. Revenue from houses annually about \$20.00. Amount from Sewer frontage \$526.00. Your Committee would recommend that the extension be carried out, owners of houses to pay interest on cost of same. This rate to be decreased as houses are built on these streets.

The Committee made the following recommendations:-

That a ton of 1/2" Lead Pipe be purchased, also 2 doz. Shovels, 2 doz. Pick Handles, 2 doz. Sledge Hammer Handles, 1 doz. Square Mouth Shovels, 1/2 doz. Striking Hammer Handles, one half the cost of Shovels and Handles to be charged to Street Committee.

That the Canadian Carbonate Co. Ltd., re rate for water, be charged ten (10¢) cents per thousand gallons, minimum rate to be \$50.00 per year.

That the Account of the Dominion Molasses Co., as to an excessive amount caused by a leak in the supply pipe, for water for \$228.00 be settled upon payment of \$114.00.

That 200 feet of six (6") inch water pipe, and one 6" valve "Crane" be purchased to complete the extension to the Telephone Co.'s Building on Wentworth Street.

Report adopted.

Letters were read from:-

G. E. CREIGHTON, Sec'y Golf Club complaining of damage done by boys to their property.

Referred to Police Committee to deal with.

S. H. SOLOMAN, complaining that the Chief of Police had been interfering with him in his business. File.

W. H. COVERT, Attorney for the French Cable Company, asking to have a rate fixed at an early date for their water supply.

Referred to Water Committee.

Another letter from the same, objecting to the additional assessment of \$2500.00 on their building occupied by a Caretaker. The Company claimed it should not be assessed, under the provisions of the Act relating to their assessment.

Referred to Town Solicitor to report upon.

Another letter asking that the new street from Windmill Road through their property to the Harbor, now vested in the Town be graded and the work commenced at an early date.

Referred to Street Committee to report upon.

JAS. R. DOUGLASS, suggesting that the Windmill Road be widened to 100 feet in view of the intended selection of a site on the common fronting on this street.

Referred to Street Committee to report upon.

U. F. COMPANY, asking to be supplied with a "Studebaker" truck as shown by C. G. Walker & Co. at \$1325.00.

Referred to Fire Committee to ask for Tenders for one.

H. LYNCH, Chairman School Commissioners, requesting that a portion of the Town property, fronting on the Windmill Road 250 x 300 feet, be set apart as a site for a new school building for which legislation had been obtained and that the Town borrow \$100,000.00, subject to the approval of the Ratepayers, and asking that arrangements be made for the necessary plebiscite at the earliest possible date.

Received.

Application from JOHN W. MOIR and P. JESSENHOUSE for water and sewerage for proposed dwellings to be built by them on Pine & Thistle Streets.

Received.

Application for increase in wages of \$2.00 a week each from Town Drivers, T. Lisson, J. Blank and W. Richards read.

Referred to Chairman of Streets Water Fire to report on.

UNION of N. S. MUNICIPALITIES, re proposed legislation in regard to maintenance of patients at V. G. Hospital.

Received.

SALVATION ARMY, requesting a contribution to their funds.

To reply that the Council had no power to grant the request without legislation.

COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC UTILITIES, asking the co-operation and assistance of the Council re work of making rules and regulations respecting the management of Electrical Public Utilities. Deferred.

DR. H. A. PAYZANT, suggesting that the Town supply men and teams to assist in the work of removing ashes etc., from dwellings.

Referred to Street Committee.

Another letter from the same reported he had received numerous complaints from householders complaining of the unsanitary condition of houses not having W. C's connected with the Main Sewers. After some discussion the following, moved by Councillors Tobin and Herman, was unanimously adopted:-

RESOLVED: That the Secretary be instructed to have notice given through Dartmouth Patriot and Saturday issue of Halifax daily papers that owners of properties not connected with the Water and Sewer mains, failing to make application to Supt. of Water & Sewer Dept., to have connections made within 15 days, the Town will make connections and charge owners with the cost and interest for same. Passed.

The Clerk was instructed to notify all concerned as well.

On motion of Councillors Tobin and Herman,

RESOLVED: That the Clerk be instructed to advertize for 25 men for installing Sewer and Water Pipes up Victoria Rd. from Stairs St.; wages to be 25¢ per hour.

On motion of the same,

RESOLVED: That Mr. Ervin Bauldabe, ^{new house Barss Property} connected with Water & Sewerage at a cost of \$374.00, he to pay a water rate sufficient to cover interest on cost of same.

Approved

E. P. Williams
Mayor

Adjourned.

A. Bellis
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,
Friday, May 18th, 1917.

The Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m. Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Mosher, Herman, Tobin, and Carter; also Town Solicitor Foster.

The Committee appointed, re increase of wages, asked for by the Town Drivers, reported, recommending that the Drivers receive an increase in wages of Two Dollars per week each, provided that they keep the Ladder Wagon, Hose Wagons, and Reels clean, and to the satisfaction of the Captains of the Engine Company and Axe & Ladder Company, this increase to date from May 1st, 1917. The report was adopted.

The Committee on Fire Apparatus reported, recommending that tenders for supplies be accepted as follows; viz.--

- F. D. Hiltz for 21 pairs Hipress Storm King Boots @ \$6.50 per pair.
- L. Sterns & Son for 12 Firemen's Coats @ \$5.85 each.
- C. G. Walker & Co. for 250 ft. Dunlop 2 1/2" Rubber Hose coupled @ \$1.10 per ft.
- Austen Bros. for 250 ft. Maltese Cross 2 1/2" Rubber Hose coupled @ \$1.25 per ft., and for 24 only 2 1/2" Hose Washers @ \$1.00 per lb.
- L. Sterns & Son for 36 only Black Oil Hats, as per sample, @ 78¢ each.
- The Dunlop Rubber Co. for 1 Smoke Nozzle with Goggles @ \$4.48, and 1 Eastman Nozzle and Holder @ \$18.00.

Report adopted.

The Committee on Water and Sewerage recommended that tenders be accepted at the prices stated in each case, as follows:

- James Simmonds, Ltd. for Shovels, Pick and Hammer Handles.
- William Stairs, Son & Morrow for Water Pipe, Tees, and Gate Valves. The above pipe being required for proposed water and sewerage extension on Pine and Thistle Sts., Victoria Rd., and Stairs St.

The Committee further recommended that an additional pipe be ordered for the proposed water and sewer extension on Maynard and Erskine Sts., viz.--

- 500ft. of 6" Water Pipe; two 6" Gate Valves from Austen Bros.; and
- 500 ft. of 9" Sewer Pipe from Stairs Son & Morrow.

Report adopted.

Deputy Town Solicitor Murray reported re Erskine St. as shown on a plan referred to him, that he had inquired into the matter and was satisfied that the former owners had intended, by selling lots abutting on the land in question and known as Erskine St., to have it used as a Street, and his opinion was, that it would be safe for the Town to take over this Street as a public highway.

Report was received.

Letters were read from:-

C. G. WALKER & CO. offering to supply a Motor Car suitable for use of the U. P. C., in place of the wagon used by them, for \$1325.00, the same to be suitably fitted for their use. On motion of Councillors Tobin and Herman their offer was accepted.

C. G. WALKER & CO. and G. A. ORMON each asking permission to put a Gasoline Tank on the sidewalk in front of their stores on Portland St. On motions of Councillors Herman and Carter, permission was granted upon condition that the Tanks be put in under the supervision of the Supt. of Streets, and in compliance with requirements of the Fire Underwriters.

Letters from MRS. CATHERINE MORRISON, James St., G. E. VANBUSKIRK, Geary St., THE DARTMOUTH ELECTRIC CO., and WM. PHILIPS, both objecting to the new Maple St. lines laid down on the new Town Plan (Johnson & Carson's) as revised by Mr. J. G. W. Campbell, C. E. The above named, all being present, were heard, and after the new proposed street lines had been pointed out to the objectors by Mr. Campbell, all withdrew their objection, except in the case of WM. PHILIPS, whose case was deferred.

A. E. WALL, of N. S. Board of Censors enclosing a copy of the Theatres and Cinematographs Act assented to by the Governor-in-Council, and which had been proclaimed to come in force May 21st, 1917.

Referred to Town Solicitor to report on.

EASTERN TRUST CO. enclosing the list of Bonds available for the investment of \$15,000.00 in cash, being part of the Town's Sinking Fund in their hands. They desired the Council to recommend the Bonds they preferred in said letter. On motion of Councillors Herman and Lynch, it was

RESOLVED: That in accordance with a letter received from the Eastern Trust Co., under date of May 17th, this Council do recommend that the \$15,000.00 be invested as follows:

Town of Truro	\$ 1400.00
Town of New Glasgow	3500.00
Town of Sydney	10000.00
	<u>\$14900.00</u>

A. A. BARNSTEAD, Halifax, re Farm Labor Exchange, desiring the co-operation of the Council to make the work as effective as possible, and offering the assistance of Mr. Elderkin of their staff. Referred to the recently organized Food Production Association.

Approved.

E. L. Williams
Mayor.

Adjourned.

A. Bellis
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Friday, June 8th, 1917.

The Town Council met on Friday, the 8th of June, 1917, at 7.30 p. m. Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Mosher, Lynch, Tobin, McLean and Carter; also, Town Solicitor Foster.

The Minutes of the last three meetings were read and confirmed. A delegation from the Dartmouth Engine Company was present, consisting of Captain R. Gray, Clarence Gray, and James J. O'Toole, the latter acting as spokesman. They were given a hearing, and complained that this year firemen were allowed an exemption of two dollars (\$2.00) only, as Real Estate payers were now exempt from the Poll Tax of \$2.00. They asked that the old exemption of four dollars (\$4.00) be allowed them this year. The Mayor assured the delegation that their case would receive due consideration and justice would be done in the matter.

The following appointments were made:

Court House Commissioner: William R. Foster.

Committee on Arbitration: The Mayor with Councillors Tobin and Lynch.

Letters were read from:

THE CLERK OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF YARMOUTH, asking the co-operation of the Council in securing an amendment to the Act relative to the Patriotic Funds raised by Nova Scotia Municipalities, to the end that the same be raised by a public subscription and not by assessment. The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge the same and state that the Council would consider the matter.

MRS. EDITH BAKER, making application on behalf of the Victorian Order of Nurses for the annual grant of \$250.00. On motion of Councillors Tobin and Mosher, Resolved that the amount be paid.

DAVID WILSON, asking the Council to remit his Taxes for the current year, in view of the fact that his house was recently destroyed by fire. Referred to Finance Committee with Town Solicitor.

H. B. DOUGLASS, claiming that he was not the possessor of any Personal Property, and objecting to the assessment of \$100.00 for that reason. Referred to Assessors with Town Solicitor.

J. W. DAGNALL, Halifax, stating that he was about to erect a dwelling-house on the Basse Property in Dartmouth, and desiring to know how soon he could be furnished with Water and Sewer Connections. Referred to Water Committee with Superintendent.

A. C. PETTIPAS, calling attention to the fact that the E. L. Ruddy Co. had not yet removed certain Bill Boards in the north end of the Town, which they were notified to do by resolution of the Council. The question of certain rights to use properties held by this Company under lease from private owners, was referred to the Town Solicitor to advise with regard thereto.

An invitation to the Mayor and Town Councillors to attend a Reception to be given Returned Soldiers at the Assembly Hall, Greenvale School, on the 12th instant, was read and accepted.

The Mayor was authorized to engage Engineer Campbell to plot on the new street plan, lines of Erskine Street, Thompson and other Streets omitted.

On motion of Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor McLean

"RESOLVED: That the sections of the "Act relating to the Town of Dartmouth" passed at the last Session of the Legislature in respect to the new street through the French Cable Company's Property be recorded at the Registry of Deeds, Halifax."

The following description of the lot of land comprising the site of the Rink Building fronting on Windmill Road and School Street was read, it being the plot applied for by the School Board as a suitable site for the proposed new School Building. On motion, the same was laid on the table.

"Beginning at the intersection of the eastern side line of Windmill Road and the northern side line of School Street, thence easterly by the northern side line of School Street two hundred and sixty feet or until it comes to the intersection of northern side line of School Street and the western side line of Wyse Road. Thence northerly along the western side line of Wyse Road five hundred feet more or less to a point on the

prolongation of the southern side line of Hare Lane. Thence westerly along said line of prolongation five hundred and fifty feet or until it comes to the eastern side line of Windmill Road to the place of beginning, being the lot of land margined in red shown on a plan of the Dartmouth Common made by James H. Austen but not conforming to said sub-division."

Approved

E. J. Williams
Mayor.

Adjourned

[Signature]
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Tuesday, June 26, 1917.

Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m. Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Herman, and Tobin; also Town Solicitor Foster.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

HAMILTON B. DOUGLASS being present, was given a hearing re his Assessment of \$100.00 Personal Property. He said he was erroneously assessed as "Hammond" Douglass, and that he did not own any personal property whatever at present. He did have a Motor Boat, but sold it last December. Referred to the Assessors to deal with.

Re KUHN PROPERTY: Town Solicitor Foster reported that he had "examined the title to the property of the estate of the late John D. Kuhn proposed to be purchased by the Town of Dartmouth for a Cemetery and found that

"It has been in the possession of the family since Dec. 1, 1885, and has been mortgaged several times which Mortgages have been released.

On Aug. 1, 1915 it was mortgaged to Gordon Kuhn for \$1200. This Mortgage was assigned to Jessie Wilson of Halifax, Widow on Feb. 1, 1910, which seems not to have been released and is now a charge on the property.

Also that the said John D. Kuhn made a Will devising his property to his wife Martha Kuhn for life, after her death the same to be divided equally among his surviving children.

And that one of his children is under age and therefore incapable of making a deed."

Letters were read from the following:

THE DARTMOUTH DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, offering to dedicate a street laid off through their property on the north side of Erskine Street as per Plan sent therewith, and requested the extension of the Water and Sewer System along the proposed street as far as the northern limits of their property. They also requested that steps be taken at once to consider the above matter, and, if approved, that it be carried out as soon as possible.

Also a letter from J. R. SIMMONDS, enclosing a plan of the sub-division made of the "Torrens" Property recently purchased by him, and

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requesting the approval of the Council thereto, and offering to dedicate the streets laid down on the plan to the Town. Both these letters referred to Street and Water Committee to consider and report upon.

THE EASTERN TRUST COMPANY, asking the approval of the Town Council to the proposed investments of the Town's Sinking Fund as under:

Municipality of Antigonish \$8000. , due 1937, yeild 5½%, Interest 4½%

Town of Amherst \$3000. , due 1943, Interest 5%.

On motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Mosher, the Council approved purchase of these bonds.

W. T. SMITH, Deputy Town Clerk, asking an increase in salary of \$200.00 per annum. Referred to the Finance Committee to report upon.

THE COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES, enclosing copy of suggested changes to the Electrical Safety Code, re Pole Lines and Equipment. On motion, the letter was ordered filed.

Re additional lights petitioned for by the ratepayers for Hawthorne Street and Portland Street east. It was moved by Councillor Tobin, seconded by Councillor Lynch, that the supplies necessary be procured and the work carried out. Adopted.

Re Hackney Bylaws. This matter was again taken up and after a brief discussion it was Resolved, moved by Councillor Tobin, seconded by Councillor McLean, that the Council meet on Tuesday next to consider this matter.

Moved by Councillor Tobin, seconded by Councillor Mosher, "RESOLVED: That the Town purchase a bicycle for use of the Superintendent of Streets." Moved in amendment by Councillor Herman, seconded by Councillor McLean, "that the Town ask for tenders for the purchase of a Motor Car for the use of the Superintendent of Streets." The amendment was put and lost, and the motion put and carried.

A number of Accounts were passed for payment.

Approved

E. P. Williams
Mayor.

Adjourned

W. T. Smith
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Tuesday, July 3, 1917.

Town Council met this day at 8 p. m. Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Carter, and Tobin; also, Town Solicitor Foster.

The By-law relative to Hackney Carriages was taken up, and upon the proposed new clause to be added re Automobiles a discussion ensued, and the Town Solicitor stated that, in his opinion, it was doubtful whether the Council had the power to pass By-laws governing Motor Vehicles; whereupon, on motion of Councillors Lynch and Tobin, the Town Solicitor was requested to interview the Attorney General with respect thereto and to report thereon at the next meeting.

On motion, the Police and License Committee were authorized to confer with the Ferry Commission in regard to the selection of suitable stands for licensed Hacks, Automobiles, and Auto Buses.

Letters were read from the following:

GERALD FOOT, requesting permission to install a Gasoline Tank on the sidewalk on Dundas Street, opposite the Merson Building. On motion, permission was granted on condition that the same is placed under the supervision of the Superintendent of Streets, and that he complies with the regulations established by the Fire Underwriters in regard thereto.

A. C. BRYSON, asking the appointment of J. GORDON DOUGLASS, of Dartmouth, as a Sworn Weigher. On motion, it was

"RESOLVED: That J. Gordon Douglass be, and is hereby appointed a Public Weigher for the Town of Dartmouth."

Approved

E. P. Williams
Mayor.

Adjourned

W. H. ...
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Friday, July 20th, 1917.

Town Council met this day at 8 p. m. Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Tobin, Herman, and McLean; also, Town Solicitor Foster.

The Minutes of the last two meetings were read and confirmed.

The Town Solicitor submitted the following opinion:

"In re Kuhn property proposed to be purchased by the
Town of Dartmouth for a Cemetery.

To the Town Council:

Gentlemen: I have already reported in this matter to the effect that there appears to be a Mortgage outstanding but this is no defect in the title as the Mortgage may easily be paid off. There is however a serious objection to be considered, that is that one of the heirs to the property is not of age and therefore any contract entered into by him would be absolutely void. I believe it possible that this obstacle could be overcome by making an application to the Supreme Court supported by strong affidavits that the sale of the property as proposed would be to the substantial benefit of the infant. A guardian should first be appointed for the infant and the application should be made in his name. There is also another objection,-- John D. Kuhn provided by his will that the property should not be sold until after the death of Martha Kuhn, his wife. This I think might be overcome by all the parties interested joining in a deed as no injury to the right of other parties would be caused."

On motion the same was received, and after a short discussion, it was left in the hands of the Town Clerk to inform the owners of the property, under the advice of the Town Solicitor, in regard to his opinion.

Letters were read from the following:

CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT MARTIN of H.M.C. Dockyard, who asked whether arrangements could not be made with the Town to have Water Boats belonging to the Navy supplied with water for the Ships of the Navy. The Mayor was authorized to continue negotiations, and complete arrangements.

HOWARD L. GAETZ, Boggs St., complaining that recently water backing up from the Main Sewer had overflowed into his cellar, causing him considerable trouble and damage. Referred to the Water Committee and Town Solicitor to report on.

GLAWSON & HIRTLE, asking for a lease of a strip of land, owned by the Town, near the Marine Railway, formerly under lease to Clarence Short. Referred to the Finance Committee, with Town Solicitor, to report upon.

C. L. ALLEN, Sec'y U.P.C., applying for two Fire Extinguishers, to be placed on the new Motor Truck, and stating size of covers required, already applied for. Referred to Fire Committee.

ANDREW FORSYTH, asking permission to install a Gasoline Tank in front of his Store on Water Street. On motion, his request granted on the same conditions as attached to those similar requests already granted.

C. H. HARVEY, Agent, Marine & Fisheries, requesting that one WILLIAM T. NOTT, one of the men in their employ, be appointed and sworn in as a Public Weigher. On motion, resolved that his request be granted, whereupon William T. Nott was duly appointed.

G. A. HOLMES, applying for permission to run his Motor Boat from the Public Landing at the foot of Jamieson Street, and stating he was willing to pay a fee for permission to do so. On motion of Councillor Herman, "RESOLVED, that he be given a temporary right to use the Dock referred to at a fee of Five (5) Dollars per annum, payable in advance."

WILLIAM MCKENZIE, tendering his resignation of the office of Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act. On motion of Councillor McLean, seconded by Councillor Tobin, "RESOLVED, that William McKenzie's resignation of the office of Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act be and is hereby accepted." Councillor Herman dissented.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF PUBLIC UTILITIES, re Rate Schedule of the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Co., Ltd., an increase in the same being under consideration by that Company. On motion, received and ordered filed.

THE SECRETARY OF THE UNION OF NOVA SCOTIA MUNICIPALITIES, stating that a convention of that Union would be held at Truro on August 29-30-31, and asking that delegates be appointed. On motion, the Mayor, with Councillors Herman and McLean were appointed. On motion, it was "RESOLVED, that a strongly worded resolution be prepared, protesting against the proposed increase in Telephone Rates, and that the same be sent in advance to the Secretary of the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities."

The Mayor reported up a verbal complaint, received by him from I. G. LESLIE, that sewer water backed up into the cellar of his house, Portland Street. Referred to the Water Committee to deal with.

Letter, with blank form of petition, from the EDITOR OF PRO BELGICA, of Montreal, re treatment of inhabitants of Belgium by the German Forces in Belgium. It was

"RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Councillors sign the petition."

Councillor Lynch brought up the question of the installation of Water Meters, and asked if all those that had been ordered, as per list passed by the Council, had been put in. As the information required was not available at the time, it was allowed to stand over.

Members of the School Board present complained verbally of the backing up of water in the cellar of Greenvale School, and stated that there was a large quantity of ashes at that School available for use on the Streets. Referred to the Water Committee to deal with.

Councillor Herman moved, seconded by Councillor Tobin, the following resolution:

"WHEREAS, the Railway from Dartmouth to Musquodoboit has been completed, and the increased business on this Road has far exceeded expectations, so much so that there is immediate need for a Railway Wharf, to properly handle the freight traffic of all kinds with the least possible delay, the present conditions being unsatisfactory to the Shipper, injurious to the Town of Dartmouth and annoying to the public having business with this line, being obliged to haul their freight around to Halifax, when with a Wharf it could be handled direct from Dartmouth.

And WHEREAS, there is at present no wharf in Dartmouth capable of docking an ordinary steamer there is immediate need of dealing with this important matter, especially as the Town of Dartmouth now has a population of from Eight to Ten Thousand People, and all the small villages along the coast of the County are provided with such Government Wharves. The type of Wharf being required is a Wood Pile Structure with shed and two sets of tracks.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that this Council strongly urge upon the Dominion Government the importance of providing Dartmouth with such facilities as this trade demands.

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be forwarded to Hon. Sir Robert L. Borden G.C.M.C. and Hon. Frank Cochrane M.P. Minister of Railways and Canals, Ottawa."

Passed. Councillor Lynch dissented. On motion,

"RESOLVED, that the Dartmouth Board of Trade be asked to support this resolution."

A number of Accounts were passed for payment.

Approved

E. P. Williams
Mayor.

Adjourned

H. Bellis
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Friday, July 27, 1917.

Town Council met on this date at 7.30 p. m. Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Lynch, Carter, Herman, and McLean.

A delegation of Firemen being present, they were given a hearing. James J. O'Toole, ex-Captain of the Company, represented the Firemen. He spoke in favor of the Town Council granting a license to the Wonderland Show Company, represented by Mr. , Agent, who was also given a hearing. He said he had made tentative arrangements with the Fire Company to give a show in Dartmouth, under their auspices. A percentage of the receipts would be payable to them for their assistance in getting the show ready for exhibition. After his proposition had been

considered, it was moved by Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor McLean, and unanimously

"RESOLVED, that his request for the granting of a license be not granted."

Letters were read from:

THE PRIME MINISTER, SIR ROBERT BORDEN, and MR. FRANK COCHRANE, Minister of Railways and Canals, acknowledging receipt of letters sent them from the Council, re proposed Government Wharf for Dartmouth.

Mr. Cochrane said he could not undertake the building of a Wharf at the present time.

V. P. MULLOCH, complaining that storm water overflowed into his cellar, causing damage to his property. Referred to the Water Committee to report on.

The Mayor stated he had been asked to convene a meeting of the Town Council and Citizens, re the proposed Memorial Service to be held on the 4th of August next. The Mayor, together with Councillors McLean, Herman, and Tobin were appointed to represent the Town Council at that meeting.

A number of Bills were passed for payment.

Approved

E. J. Williams
Mayor.

Adjourned

W. H. ...
Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Tuesday, September 25th, 1917.

The Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m. Present: The Mayor, Councillors Lynch, Carter, McLean, and Herman.

The Minutes of the last two meetings were read and confirmed.

The WATER COMMITTEE reported as follows:

Recommending,

1. That the following special rates for use of water be fixed:

For New Post Office	A flat rate of \$86. per year.
For French Cable Co.	Ten cents (10¢) per 1000 gals., with a minimum rate of \$100. per annum.

2. The acceptance of streets as shown on plan of the "Torrens" Property, submitted by J. R. Simmonds, upon the said streets being properly dedicated to the Town by the Owners of the land. This we recommend upon condition that the properties fronting on said proposed streets be liable for Sewer Rates from the date the Sewers are laid down, as the law provides.

3. That, in future, when applications are made for water purposes for new buildings, water be not turned on until a deposit is made with the Town Treasurer equivalent to the amount payable by owners for such buildings (25¢ per \$100. on cost).
4. Your Committee herewith submit Statement, showing Receipts and Expenditure of the Water Maintenance Account for the year ended May 1st, 1917, showing a credit balance of \$3296.
5. We also submit an Estimate of the Revenue and Expenditure for the period ending December 31st, 1917, being two-thirds of a year, this change in the year being in accordance with a Resolution passed March 9, 1917. It will be seen, by the Estimate, that the net amount to be assessed on property, after deducting Special Rates, Interest, etc., is \$3784. Your Committee recommend that the Pipe Rate, to be charged on properties liable, be 10¢, and the rate on dwellings be 25¢, in all 35¢ per One Hundred Dollars. This rate is the same as last year's, and will give a surplus of probably \$2097. It is desirable, we think, to have a surplus at the end of the year to go towards the interest on the Bonded Debt due on January 1st, 1918. Your Committee recommend that the above rates be levied for the 8 months ending December 31st, 1917.
6. Re: HYDRANT RATE. In view of the small sum collectable under this rate, your Committee recommend, following the action thereon last year, that the collection thereof be suspended this year.
7. In reference to the request of the Admiralty for the supplying of water to their boats, your Committee recommend that water be supplied at the rate of ten cents (10¢) per thousand gallons.
8. Your Committee also recommend that a special rate be fixed as under: For Public Garages a rate of ten cents (10¢) per thousand gallons, with a minimum rate of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25) per annum; and the Superintendent be instructed to install Meters in the public garages now operating in the Town.

For private garages the sum of Three Dollars (\$3) per year.

The report was adopted, with the exception of the clause (#6) re "Hydrant Rate", which was deferred.

WATER MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.

Estimates for period (8 mos.) from May 1 to Dec. 31, 1917.

- RECEIPTS -

1917.		\$3296.
May 1.	Balance	
	Special Rates:-	
	Acadia Sugar Ref. Co., Ltd.	\$ 864.
	Halifax Breweries, Ltd.	260.
	Steamer Supply, Marine Railway	(2/3) 400.
	All other, including W.C's @ \$2.	(2/3) 2700.
	Water Rates due for previous year	4224.
	Sewer Interest	1000.
	Interest on Sinking Fund	500.
	" " credit bal. at Bank	50.
		\$9670.

-EXPENDITURE-

Interest on Bonds:-			
56000 @ 5%		\$2800.	
109500 @ 4 1/2%		4927.50	
73700 @ 4%		2948.	
		<u>10675.50</u>	
	(2/3)	7117.	
Interest on Overdraft for Construction a/o			200.
Salaries:-			
A. Elliot	400.		
W. T. Smith	290.		
Wm. McKenzie	75.		
A. S. Johnston	50.		
E. Nichols	780.		
	<u>1695.</u>		
	(2/3)	1064.	
New work	400.		
General repairs, labor, lumber, etc.	1000.		
Printing & Advertising	25.		
Horse Hire	50.		
Sinking Fund No. 2	1350.		
Sundries	50.		
Allowance for vacant houses	<u>100.</u>	<u>2975.</u>	<u>11356.</u>
Net amount to be assessed			1687.

From the Assessment Roll it would appear that the Valuation for Domestic Rate (on Dwellings) is 1,329,800 @ 35¢ = 4654.

Pipe Rate (on all property fronting on pipe lines) is 1,022,050 @ 10¢ = 1022. 5676.

(2/3) = 3784.

Giving a surplus of \$2097.

WATER MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT.
Statement of Receipts & Expenditure for year 1916-1917.

-RECEIPTS-

Estimates.		
1916.		
May 1. Balance		\$2967.68
5367. Water Rates		5927.99
Special Rates:-		
Acadia Sugar Ref. Co., Ltd.	\$ 833.05	
" " Int. on meter	31.50	
Banook Canoe Club	2.50	
Calder, Fraser & Co., Ltd.		
Coombs, Annie L.	20.00	
Douglass & Co.	20.00	
Dart. Gas, Elec. Light, H.&P. Co.	3.75	
Dart. Ferry Commission	600.00	
Dominion Molasses Company	120.00	
Evans, N.		
Halifax Breweries, Ltd.	364.12	
" " Rent of Meter	12.50	
Halifax Graving Dock, Ltd.	45.00	
" " Rent of Meter	7.00	

Intercolonial Railway	2193.93
Judge & Son, P.	1254.24
Marine & Fisheries	34.05
McElmon, E. H.	5.00
St. Georges Lawn Tennis Club	40.00
Starr Mfg. Co., Ltd.	80.00
Schools	
Webber & Son, A. A.	20.00
Wentzell, H.W. (United Fish Co.)	70.00
" " 1/4	40.00
" " 5/8	13.50
Williston, Ghas.	15.00
Forsyth, John (Laundry)	44.13
Lynch Estate (")	20.00
Dart. Development Co. (Laundry)	

Motors:-	Corp. Christ Church	25.00	
	Dart. Elec. Light Co.	25.00	
	Huxtable, A. W.	12.00	
	Peveril & Crosby	12.50	
	St. James Church	25.00	
	Williams, E. F.	40.00	139.50

Barber Shops	14.	
Garden Taps	4.	
Dentist	5.	
Lodge	1.	
Urinals	5.	
Additional Taps	2.	
W. C's @ \$2.00	1944.	
Shops	140.	
Horses & Cows	209.	
Hose @ \$1.	70.	
" @ \$3.	69.	
" @ \$6.	18.	2481.

250.	Steamers Supply, Hose hire, etc.	<u>602.38</u>	\$9102.15
1000.	Sewer Interest		645.99
560.	Interest on Sinking Fund		602.80
25.	" " Credit Balance at Bank		117.05
	" accrued on Bonds sold		40.40
	County of Halifax, Watering Trough		<u>50.00</u>
			<u>\$ 19454.06</u>

-EXPENDITURE-

Estimate.			\$ 10605.
10525.	Interest on Bonds		
1545.	Salaries:-		
	A. Elliot	\$400.00	
	W. T. Smith	277.48	
	Wm. McKenzie	75.00	
	A. S. Johnston	50.00	
	E. Nichols	<u>715.00</u>	1517.48
400.	New Work		400.00
1000.	General repairs, labor, supplies, etc.		964.39
25.	Advertising & Printing		23.25
	Sinking Fund		
2600.	1914-15 Instalment	1300.	2600.
	1916-17 " "	<u>1300.</u>	44.
25.	Horse Hire		
100.	Allowance for Vacant Houses		3.
50.	Sundries		
25.	Int. on O/D		
	Balance		<u>3296.94</u>
			<u>\$ 19454.06</u>

The STREET COMMITTEE reported as follows:

1. Properties on Rose Street applied for by Alpin E. Walker and W. H. McElmon. Your Committee recommend that the Clerk carry out the instructions of the Council re above.
2. Re: Petition from property owners on Wentworth Street and Church Street. We recommend that the Superintendent proceed with the work.
3. Re: Petition from ratepayers of Maple and Thistle Streets. We recommend that these Streets be opened up as soon as possible.
4. Re: Letter from J. R. Simmonds. We recommend Mr. Simmonds be notified the Town's acceptance of streets when properly decided.
5. We recommend that Tenders be asked for for the supply of Coal as required for Town purposes.
6. Your Committee recommend that the Superintendent put up a fence along Prince Albert Road along by Sullivan's Pond.

Clauses 1 and 4 were adopted. Clause 2 and clause 5 had been dealt with by the Committee. Clause 3 was deferred. Clause 6 was referred back to the Committee for further consideration. The report, as a whole, was adopted as amended.

The FINANCE COMMITTEE reported as follows:

1. In reference to the request of David Wilson that he be exempt from taxation for the year 1917, on the grounds that his house was destroyed by fire, your Committee beg to report that, as Mr. Wilson was in possession of the property subsequent to the taking of the assessment and the striking of the tax rate, the Committee find that, under the "Assessment Act", Council has no power to grant this request.
2. In reference to the request of W. T. Smith for an increase in salary, your Committee recommend an increase of \$100. to be appropriated from the Water Account.
3. In reference to the request of the Dartmouth Engine Company that the Firemen be allowed the usual exemption of Four Dollars for the year 1917, your Committee find such exemption was provided for by Section 9, Chapter 56, Acts of 1916, and recommend that it be granted and in any instance where a Fireman, either Active or Honorary, has paid his rates and taxes for the year 1917, he be refunded the amount of Two Dollars.

This report was adopted.

Town Solicitor Foster's opinion, dated September 18th, was read as

follows:

"Re H. L. GAETZ:

Chapter 56, Acts of 1902, Section 78, provides as follows:

"The town shall not be responsible for damage done by sewerage waters flowing into any cellar where the regulations of this Act have not been complied with by the owner of the property so damaged, or in any cellar constructed to a greater depth than within two feet of the level of the bottom of the common sewer, directly in front of where sufficient descent to the private drain has not been given. But in all such cases the owners or occupiers of such cellars must take proper precaution to prevent accidents."

I have applied to the Superintendent of Water Works for information as to the actual depth of Mr. Gaetz's cellar but up to the present time he has been unable to supply it. He seems to think that the overflow is caused by rubbish having been wantonly thrown into the sewer by mischievous boys. If this be the case, in my opinion the town is liable. If, on the other hand, the overflow is of such a nature as would have caused no damage had the owner complied with the law, he can have no redress."

This was referred to the Water Committee and Town Solicitor for further report.

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"Re I. G. LESLIE:

Mr. Leslie's case is somewhat different. His cellar, as I am informed, is below the level of the sewer and it is therefore impossible for him to drain into it. Mr. Leslie is too acute a gentleman to have been ignorant of this fact when the sewer was built and in my judgment it is now too late for him to claim compensation for damage against the Town. The section quoted above is applicable to his case."

Accepted.

Re resignation of William McKenzie, Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, a large delegation of citizens of the Town being present, a largely signed petition was laid on the table, praying that the present Inspector be continued in office and be given an increase in salary, and be relieved of certain duties now performed by him. On motion, the petition was received and ordered filed. Members of the delegation were given a hearing, viz., John Forsyth, Rev. J.W.A. Nicholson, Rev. F.E. Bishop, W. L. Tuttle, D.W.B. Reid, James F. Lahey, Joseph Whebby, A. Bryson, I.K. Payzant, and a number of others.

Letters were read from:

MRS. ROSENBERG, Secretary W. C. T. U., asking the Council not to accept Mr. McKenzie's resignation of the office of Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, but to further remunerate him for his services. Ordered to be filed.

THE SOCIAL SERVICE COUNCIL of Dartmouth, expressing their appreciation of the faithful work done by Mr. McKenzie, and requesting the Town Council to retain his services. Ordered to be filed.

On motion of Councillor Lynch, it was resolved that the matter be referred to the Police and License Committee to consider and report on, and the Clerk was instructed to ask Mr. McKenzie to retain the position until an appointment is made.

THE TOWN AUDITORS reported having audited the accounts of the Town Clerk and Treasurer to the first of July, 1917, and reported everything in order and correct. They submitted Statements, duly certified, for the several services of the Town to that date.

Councillor Lynch moved, seconded by Councillor Carter, that H. S. Congdon, George A. Sterns, and Charles W. Bell be re-appointed Assessors at the same salary as last year. This motion was not put to vote, as (at the suggestion of the Mayor) it was agreed that it was desirable to postpone the appointment at this meeting, owing to the full Council not being present.

On motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Carter, the Clerk was instructed to ask for tenders for the purchase of Ten Thousand Dollars Water Bonds, authorized by a vote of Ratepayers taken December 26th, 1916.

On motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor McLean,

"RESOLVED: That the Water be turned off the premises of all consumers on November 1, 1917, who do not have their Water Rates paid by that date."

Letters were read from the following:-

THE STARR MANUFACTURING CO., LTD., complaining that the water in Sullivan's Pond was being polluted with oil from the Town Stone Crusher, and asking to have it stopped at once as it was affecting the feed water for their Boilers and the water used in their Electro-plating Department. Referred to Street Committee to report on.

WILLIAM DAVIES, Agent for Mrs. Ida M. Glawson, requesting an extension of time for installing a toilet in her house, Brenton Street, until the first of April next. Referred to Town Solicitor to report on.

THE DARTMOUTH ENGINE COMPANY, forwarding a copy of their half-yearly report on the Fire Apparatus in their charge. Ordered to be filed.

Another letter from the same, asking the Council to take action to provide for the remuneration of certain members of the Company, for their services in quelling bush fires in the County Districts on several recent occasions, and suggesting that the County Authorities be requested to pay for the cost of damages to hose recently seriously damaged. Referred to Fire Committee to consider and report thereon.

H. M. ROSENBERG, complaining of an overflow of storm water on his property causing damage to their grounds. The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge same and explain that any damage sustained by him was no doubt from natural causes. The letter was ordered to be filed.

THE AUTO BUS CO., LTD., applying for permission to install a Compressed Air Stand and a Gasoline Tank on the sidewalk in front of their property on Portland Street. On motion, permission was granted, provided the work was done under the supervision of the Superintendent of Streets.

THE WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BOARD, pointing out that the "Workmen's Compensation Act", Section 74, provided that, should the Town enter into any contract or sub-contract, that Board should be notified at once of their having done so, and be given the name and address of the contractor or sub-contractor. Ordered to be filed.

THE SECRETARY OF THE DOMINION ASSOCIATION OF FIRE CHIEFS,

stating that a resolution had been passed by that body, that the first week of May and October in each year be known as a Fire Prevention and Clean Up Week, and that a systematic campaign be undertaken to gather up and destroy all rubbish and combustible material during said weeks. Ordered to be filed.

DR. HATTIE, Provincial Medical Health Officer, forwarding a copy of a resolution passed by their Association, urging that, in view of the fact of smallpox being reported in various parts of the Province, steps be taken to have every unprotected person at once vaccinated. Ordered to be filed.

ADJUTANT BEECROFT, Financial Agent of the Salvation Army, asking to be granted the privilege of a hearing in regard to assistance desired by them in carrying on charitable work in the Town. Ordered to be filed.

THE SECRETARY OF THE SINGLE TAX ASSOCIATION, Toronto, forwarding copies of resolutions adopted by that body re proposal of the Dominion Government to purchase the Canadian Northern Railway from MacKenzie and Mann. Ordered to be filed.

The following resolution was moved by Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Carter,

"WHEREAS: At a plebiscite held in the Town of Dartmouth, the Ratepayers voted in favor of purchasing the Kuhn Property for a cemetery; and,

"WHEREAS: It appears there is some difficulty in the Town securing a title to said Property on account of the rights of a minor;

"RESOLVED: That the owners of the said Property be notified that the Council desire that the deed of the said Property to the Town of Dartmouth, be deposited with the Town Solicitor within the period of thirty days."

Adopted unanimously.

The Fire Committee were authorized to purchase One Water-proof Cover and Two Fire Extinguishers for the Union Protection Company's use.

The Street Committee asked whether they had the right to cut branches off trees, which were over-hanging the sidewalk. The case in point was that of the "Findlay" Property on Prince Albert Road. Referred to Town Solicitor.

On motion of Councillor Lynch, it was

"RESOLVED: That Superintendent of Streets Nichols be instructed to report on all encroachments by private owners on the Public Docks of the Town."

A number of accounts were passed for payment.

Approved

Adjourned

E. L. Williams
Mayor.

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,
Friday, October 5th, 1917.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Town Council met this day at 7.30 p.m.
Present: Mayor Williams, Councilors Mosher, Lynch, Carter, Herman,
McLean, and Tobin; also Town Solicitor Foster.

The COMMITTEE on WATER AND SEWERAGE reported, making the following
recommendations:

1. That the supplies, as per list annexed, be ordered at once, the same being required to complete the work now in progress or ordered to be done, viz.,
 - 2 Tons of Lead Pipe, 1 Ton 6 and 1 Ton 8 lbs. to the yard.
 - 2000 feet Drain Pipe, 4".
 - 600 feet Drain Pipe, 6".
2. That, in future, all Plumbers be notified that any person found starting new work or doing repairs to old work, without a permit, will be prosecuted under the "Town's Consolidated Act." This course seems to be necessary, as in one instance a Plumber has been detected, who was doing work continuously for two years without applying for, and obtaining the permits required.
3. That, in future, no water be supplied to any ship or vessel unless an application is made therefor by the Owner or Master of the ship, and a deposit in cash paid to the Town Treasurer, equivalent to the price of the quantity of water desired and for the use of hose and labor, if any, in each case.
4. Re Letter from J. J. Trueb, referred to your Committee. Your Committee find, upon inquiry, that he was charged and paid \$3.00 a year for animals for 8 1/2 years to May 1, 1916, which appears to be an over-charge by Mr. Trueb's statement. Your Committee therefore recommend that he be refunded the sum of \$25.50, less \$1.00 per year for Hose Tap, which Mr. Trueb has not been charged for.

This report was adopted.

A Committee of the Roman Catholic Faith, viz., James J. O'Toole, James F. Lahey, D. P. Brennan, and A. C. Pettipas, being present, were given a hearing. They urged the appointment of a man of the Roman Catholic Faith to fill the position of a policeman proposed to be appointed, and a letter was read, signed by the same, explaining their views.

The report of the POLICE COMMITTEE was read, making the following recommendations:-

1. That Wm. McKenzie be re-appointed Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, at a salary of \$200.00 per annum, to date from October 1st, 1917.
2. That the Town do appoint another policeman.
3. That the Clerk be instructed to ask for applications for the position, such applications to be in by Wednesday, October 10th, next.
4. That the Chief of Police be relieved of night duty, except under case of emergency.

Consideration of the Report was deferred.

Letters were read from the following:-

ROBERT GRAY, Jamieson St., asking for an extension of time for installing the sewerage in his house. In view of the special circumstances attending his case, his request was granted.

DOUGLASS A. HARRISON, complaining of the conduct of John Myers, a licensed Automobile Driver, in neglecting to drive him after being engaged to do so. Referred to the License Committee to report on.

HENRY STORY, objecting to pay the Personal and Poll Taxes he had been billed for for the year 1917, on the ground that he was now a resident of Halifax City. The Clerk having stated that he thought Mr. Story was liable to pay the Tax in Dartmouth, the matter was referred to him to deal with.

Application read from the old Assessors, for re-appointment, taken up, and, on motion of Councillor Lynch, it was

"RESOLVED: That H. S. Congdon, George A. Stems, and Charles W. Bell be appointed Assessors for the Town of Dartmouth for the present year, at the same salary as last year."

Carried, four to two, Councillors Tobin and Herman dissenting.

Letter read from THE HALIFAX WATER-BOAT COMPANY, per Gerald M. Doody, applying for a rate for water to be supplied their boat through the Town Pipes now lying across Moseley's Wharf. Referred to Water Committee to report upon.

A copy of a Proclamation issued by the Provincial Secretary, bringing certain sections of the Act entitled "An Act Respecting Public Highways", into force from October 1st, 1917. The effect of this Act is that Dartmouth's contribution to the funds, to be laid out on Highways in the County, would be over Three Thousand Dollars (\$3000).

Letter read from the SUPERINTENDENT of the VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL, calling attention to the legislation passed at the last Session, providing that all municipalities should pay for patients sent by them to that Hospital, and enclosing a copy of the Act referred to. Both of the fore-going documents referred to were ordered to be filed.

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, of Maple St., being present, was given a further hearing re his contention that the allegation, that his front fence was an encroachment on Maple Street, was not correct. He produced a Deed of his property, which was examined by the Town Solicitor, members of the Council, and Engineer Campbell, but his contention was not agreed to.

On motion of Councillors Lynch and Mosher, it was

"RESOLVED: That the Town Plan recently made by Messrs. Johnson and McKay, be approved and sent to the Governor-in-Council for approval; and, that the Clerk be instructed to inform the Provincial Secretary that there was no objection now to the street lines as amended by Engineer Campbell, under the instructions of the Town Council, except in the case of William Phillips with respect to the western line of a portion of Maple Street."

The Plan of the Park Lots was taken up, Engineer Campbell being present, and, after some discussion, re size of lots and width of Streets, was referred to the Street Committee for further consideration and report thereon.

A number of accounts were passed for payment.

Approved

Adjourned

E. P. Williams
Mayor.

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Saturday, October 6th, 1917.

The Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m. The Mayor and all the Councillors were present. Town Solicitor absent.

Letter read from:

A. C. PETTIPAS, objecting to the shortness of the time given for applications being received for the position of Policeman, and asking that the time be extended to the first of November. Ordered to be filed.

A verbal complaint, made through _____, of an overflow of water on W. J. SULLIVAN'S property, was referred to the Street Committee.

On motion of Councillors Lynch and Mosher,

"RESOLVED: That the Mayor be directed to issue Debentures in the form "A" to the Municipal Debentures Act, 1914, to the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), in sums of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) each, to be numbered from one to twenty, bearing interest at the rate of Five (5%) per centum per annum, payable at the office of the Town Clerk and Treasurer in Dartmouth, or at the Office of The Royal Bank of Canada, in Dartmouth, and redeemable in twenty years from the date of the issue thereof, which Debentures, when so issued, shall be a charge on all the property, real and personal, of the Town, and of the inhabitants thereof, and shall be used for the purpose of extending the Water and Sewerage system of the Town, under the provisions of section 105, chapter 56, Acts of 1902."

The Finance Committee reported that the following Tenders had been received for Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) Water Bonds, proposed to be issued:-

Eastern Securities Co., Ltd.	85.25	Accrued Interest.
W. F. Mahon & Co.	85.27	" "
J. C. MacKintosh & Co.	86.12	" "
The Nova Scotia Trust Co.	88.	" "
Bank of Nova Scotia	88.75	" "

On motion of Councillor Lynch, seconded by Councillor Carter,

"RESOLVED: That the tender of the Bank of Nova Scotia for Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000), 20 years, 5%, Water and Sewerage Construction Bonds, at 88.75, with accrued interest, be accepted."

The Clerk was instructed to write the Commissioner of Public Works and Mines asking him to give a Deed of Dedication of Maynard Street to the Town, as the Town Council was considering the matter of putting down Water and Sewer Mains on that Street, and placing the Street in repair, to accommodate the Ratepayers dwelling on that Street and other Streets connected with Maynard Street.

The Clerk was instructed to advertise that applications would be received for the position of Policeman up to 7.30 p.m. on the tenth instant.

Approved

Adjourned

E. G. Williams

Mayor.

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Friday, October 12th, 1917.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Town Council met this day at 8 p. m.
Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Mosher; Lynch, Herman, Carter, and McLean. Town Solicitor absent.

Councillor Tobin also being absent, it was considered not expedient to go on with the business the meeting was called for, and the Council then adjourned until tomorrow, Saturday, at 7 p. m.

Approved

Adjourned

E. B. Williams
Mayor.

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Saturday, October 13th, 1917.

The Town Council met, pursuant to adjournment, this evening, and the chair was taken at 7.30 o'clock. Present: All except Councillor Tobin and the Town Solicitor.

A letter was read from H. EVERED, Secretary Great War Veterans' Association of Dartmouth, asking the Council to consider the appointment of a returned soldier when filling the position of Policeman. Ordered filed.

The POLICE COMMITTEE'S REPORT, tabled at the meeting of the 5th inst., was taken up and, after some discussion, Councillor McLean moved, seconded by Councillor Herman, that the report be adopted. Passed unanimously.

The POLICE COMMITTEE reported further that they had received two applications for the position of Policeman from Alfred Worrell of Dartmouth, and John Myra of Halifax; and recommended the appointment of Alfred Worrell to the position at a salary of Six Hundred and Fifty (\$650) Dollars per year and Fifty Dollars (\$50) for clothes. This report was adopted and the appointment of Mr. Worrell to the position was confirmed.

Councillor Lynch suggested that the Police Committee meet as soon as possible with the Chief of Police, and take up the Police Regulations with a view to making some improvement therein with regard to the

proper patrol of the Streets, relative to their beats, etc.

At the suggestion of Councillor McLean, the Committee on Police and Licenses were requested to consider an amendment to the "Hackney Regulations", providing for an increase in the License Fee charged for Automobiles, and that a limit be placed to the number licensed each year.

Approved

E. P. Williams

Mayor.

Adjourned

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Friday, November 9th, 1917.

The Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m. Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Carter and Tobin; also, Town Solicitor Foster.

The Minutes of the last five meetings were read and confirmed.

Adjutant Beecroft of the Salvation Army being present, was given a hearing. He made an appeal on behalf of a fund the Army was raising in Dartmouth to remodel their Barracks, and asked that the Council make them a grant of Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$250) towards that object. The matter was referred to the Finance Committee to consider and report upon.

The COMMITTEE on WATER & SEWERAGE reported, making the following recommendations:

1. That the Water Main Pipe be extended along Boggs Street to Wentzell's Property to supply water to Naval Water-Boats, and that a 4" supply pipe with a meter and connections be laid down therefrom to Wentzell's Wharf, the estimated cost of the work being Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$350).
2. Re application of "The Halifax Water-boat Company, Limited" of October 5, 1917, asking to be supplied with water: That the charge be ten cents (10¢) per thousand gallons, with a minimum rate of three hundred dollars per annum (\$300), the supply to be given through the Town Pipe at Moseley's Wharf.
3. That the Main Sewer Pipe be extended along Upper Water Street (Shore Road) about one hundred feet, to connect Walter Conrad's new house.
4. That Austen Bros., Ltd. quotation for supplies required for the service pipes to Wentzell's Wharf for the Naval Water-Boats, viz.,
400 ft. of 4" C.I. Water Pipe @ \$95.60 per net ton, from Londonderry, f.o.b. Dartmouth; and
300 ft. of 3" W.I. Black Pipe @ 58¢ per ft., delivered at Halifax,
be accepted.

Clauses 1 and 2 were adopted, also clause 3 upon condition that the starting of the work did not interfere with the extensions on Victoria Road now under way. Clause 4 was adopted, subject to inquiry as to cost of second-hand pipe for sale at Charles Brister & Son, Ltd., Halifax. The decision as to which kind of pipe would be ordered was left in the hands of the Water Committee.

The TOWN SOLICITOR reported as under:

Re: "Hackmen's Licenses."

I have seen Mr. Mathers and the Deputy Attorney-General Mr. Jenks, and he thinks that we can make a By-law allowing them certain space for the stands for the Automobiles, and charge them a fee for occupying that stand. Mr. Jenks has been out of town and is very busy just now, but I am to see him very shortly, and we will together frame an ordinance to cover the question.

Re: "The Cemetary Question."

I have seen Mr. Mellish, who is acting for Mrs. Kuhn. He has prepared an Order and will have it up just as soon as he possibly can. He will submit it to me and I will submit it to the Council as soon as I get it.

On motion, the clause re "Hackmen's Licenses" in his report was left in the hands of the Town Solicitor to draft a suitable By-law.

The STREET COMMITTEE reported as follows:

1. Re The Starr Manufacturing Company's complaint that the water in Sullivan's Pond was being polluted with oil from the Town Stone Crusher. This has been dealt with and stopped by cutting off the sewer pipe leading to the Pond.
2. Re proposed subdivision of part of the Park into lots, your Committee recommend that that part of Windmill Road fronting thereon be widened to 75 feet.
3. Re verbal complaint from W. J. Sullivan, re his property on Rose Street, your Committee report "That the cause of this complaint has been remedied in part by the Superintendent grading a portion of the sidewalk on the Street. Your Committee find that it is difficult to prevent an occasional overflow on account of the low position of Mr. Sullivan's land."
4. In reference to your Committee's recommendation at the meeting of September 25th to replace the fence along Prince Albert Road, referred back to your Committee for further consideration, your Committee still think that this work should be done to prevent a possible accident occurring, resulting in expense to the Town.
5. In reference to the offer of the Dartmouth Development Company to dedicate a street, 45 feet wide, leading from Erskine Street to the line of their property and that of the Town, your Committee recommend that their offer be accepted.

Report adopted with an amendment to Clause 5, proposed by Councillor Herman, that the proposed street be 50 feet wide instead of 45 feet.

Letters were read from the following:

JOHN P. MOTT & CO., stating that they would place a valve on the pipe inside of the Water Meter on their property, and would build a house over it so as to have it protected and accessible at all times in winter and summer. The Clerk was instructed to write in reply that their plan of protecting their pipe and meter was acceptable to the Council.

HENRY T. SPURRELL, objecting to the Assessment made against him for Personal Property on the ground that he did not own any. What there was in his house belonged to his daughter.

CHARLES BRISTER & SON, LTD., objecting to the valuation of their three houses on Water Street on the ground that the same was excessive. The Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Spurrell and Messrs. Brister & Son, Ltd., that the Council would give them a hearing, under the provisions of the Assessment Act, at their next meeting.

CHARLES T. HERMAN, asking for an extension of the Sewer Main along Beech Street, so that he could have drainage from his house fronting on that Street. Referred to the Water Committee to report on.

WALTER CONRAD, asking for the extension of the Sewer Main along Water Street in order that he may connect his dwelling-house on that Street therewith. The decision of the Council was that the extension be made as soon as it is possible to do so in view of the scarcity of labor now prevailing.

THE UNION OF CANADIAN MUNICIPALITIES, Montreal, asking for the annual contribution of Fifteen Dollars (\$15). Ordered to be filed.

THE GENERAL SUPPLY COMPANY OF CANADA, Montreal, offering to quote on the cost of an apparatus and a supply of liquid chlorine for treating the Town water as a preventative from typhoid fever. This method, they pointed out, was being widely used to obtain a safe Water Supply. Ordered to be filed.

CAPTAIN SUPERINTENDENT, NAVAL DEPARTMENT, H.M.C. Dockyard, Halifax, dated October 22, 25 and November 6, accepting the Town's offer to supply them with water at ten cents (10¢) per thousand gallons, delivery to be taken at Wentzell's Wharf, through a 4" pipe, with a meter, proposed to be laid down by the Town. Ordered to be filed.

At the suggestion of the Mayor, the Fire Committee were requested to get a statement, from the Captain of the Engine Company, of the quantity of hose damaged at fires outside of the Town boundaries, it being understood that County Authorities were quite willing to pay for such damage.

A number of accounts were passed for payment, and the Council adjourned and met as the Board of Health for the Town of Dartmouth, when letters were read from:

THOMAS E. STEWART, Upper Musquodoboit, and LOUIS BONE (BOURNE), both asking for an extension of time for placing toilets in their houses on the ground that it would cost them extra expense to have it done at the present

time. After some discussion, on motion of Councillors Lynch and Carter, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"RESOLVED: That the Clerk be instructed to ask for tenders for the installation of closets on all properties on sewer line not connected at present time, tenders to be called for within thirty days."

Approved,

Adjourned,

E. G. Williams

Mayor.

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Tuesday, November 27th, 1917.

The Town Council met this day at 7.30 p. m. Present: The Mayor, Councillors Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Herman, Tobin and Carter.

MR. HENRY T. SPURRELL, being present, was given a hearing re his Assessment for the present year. He said he was not possessed of any Personal Property. The furniture in his dwelling-house was the property of his daughter, Phoebe Spurrell. A decision in his case was deferred.

The FINANCE COMMITTEE reported, recommending

1. "That the following sinking funds, viz., Sidewalks, Water No. 1, Water No. 2, Schools No. 1, Schools No. 2 and Electric Light, amounting to Seven Thousand Dollars, be deposited with The Royal Bank of Canada, Dartmouth, and that said Bank be instructed to invest said sinking funds in Dominion of Canada 5 1/2% War Loan Debentures due December 1, 1937, in accordance with the Municipal Debentures Act of 1914 with amendments."
2. "Also that The Eastern Trust Co. be instructed to convert the Ten Thousand Dollars 5% Dominion of Canada War Loan Debentures, due March 31, 1937, into Ten Thousand Dollars 5 1/2% Dominion of Canada War Loan Debentures, due December 1st, 1937; and that they be instructed to invest any balances, that may have accrued to the different sinking funds, in Dominion of Canada 5 1/2% War Loan Debentures, due December 1, 1937."

The report was adopted unanimously.

Letters were read from the MARITIME T. & T. CO., asking for payment of the amount due them by the Town for the 10 months up to September 30th, 1917, and stating that it would be more satisfactory if arrangements could be made for payment of their accounts quarterly in advance, and that they were willing to make a settlement for the rent of the poles owned by the Town, used on their line, on a basis of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) per year. The correspondence was referred to the Public Property Committee, with the Town Solicitor, to report thereon. Their bill was passed for payment, exclusive of the bill for Pole Rental.

A number of other bills were passed for payment.

Approved,

Adjourned,

E. G. Williams

Mayor.

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Friday, December 14th, 1917.

The Board of Health met this day at 7.30 p.m. Present: Mayor Williams in the Chair, Councillors Herman, McLean, Mosher, Carter and Lynch; also, Dr. Payzant, Health Officer.

Dr. Payzant reported verbally that the tenement house on Water Street known as "Merlebank", owned by Albert Wisdom of Halifax, was in a very deplorable sanitary condition, and he thought that the owner should be compelled to put the place in good repair or to close up the building. He advised that the Town appoint an Inspector of Plumbing. After some discussion, on motion of Councillor Herman, seconded by Councillor Mosher, it was

"RESOLVED: That Albert Wisdom, the owner of "Merlebank" be notified that he must put the said property in a sanitary condition acceptable to the Town Health Officer, within six (6) days, or the Health Board will have the work done at his expense, under the provisions laid down by the "Public Health Act".

The Board further decided to recommend to the Town Council that a Plumbing Inspector be appointed.

The Health Officer reported further that there were several cases of Diphtheria in various parts of the Town, but none so far in the devastated area at the north end of the Town.

The Board then adjourned and the

T O W N C O U N C I L met immediately after.

Present: The Mayor, Councillors Herman, McLean, Mosher, Carter and Lynch; also, Town Solicitor Foster.

On motion of Councillor Herman, seconded by Councillor McLean, it was

"RESOLVED: That the services of W.N. Forbes of Dartmouth be accepted gratuitously as Inspector of Plumbing, as offered by him, until February 1st, 1918, and, if satisfactory, that he be re-appointed at a salary to be arranged later."

Councillor Carter, Chairman of Fire Wards, having reported that the Fire Bell was out of order, was instructed to have the same repaired at once.

Town Solicitor Foster was instructed to prepare and submit at the next meeting a draft of a By-law with respect to Plumbing and regulations in regard to Water and Sewerage.

Approved,

Adjourned,

E. P. Williams
Mayor.

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Monday, December 24th, 1917.

The Town Council met on this date at 7 p.m. Present: Mayor Williams; Councillors Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Herman and Carter.

Letters were read from the following:

Resignation of JOHN C. NICHOLS, Town Electrician. Owing to ill health, he asked that it take effect on the 31st of December inst. Referred to the Committee on Streets and Public Property to report upon THE EASTERN TRUST CO., re liability of Fire Underwriters for damage to property, occasioned by the explosion on the 6th inst., advising that proofs of loss be prepared and delivered without delay. The letter was ordered to be acknowledged and the Clerk instructed to take action thereon.

C. H. HARVEY, recommending, in view of the late terrible disaster, that prompt action be taken by the Town to place before the Allies the claims of the community for compensation for property losses caused by the explosion of ammunition on board the Steamer "Mont Blanc" on the 6th of December inst. Referred to the Joint Committee of the City Board of Control and the Town Council.

ASSESSMENT:--

In view of the destruction of property and the assessment for next year the Council decided to meet in committee of the whole to confer with the Assessors on what action, if any, should be taken.

On motion of Councillor Herman, seconded by Councillor McLean, it was

"RESOLVED: That the Town Council be a Committee to confer with the Mayor of Halifax, and arrange a meeting with the Dominion Cabinet Ministers re compensation for damage sustained in the Town by the recent disaster."

A number of accounts were passed for payment.

Approved,

Adjourned,

E. P. Williams

Mayor.

Town Clerk.

Dartmouth, Nova Scotia,

Thursday, December 27th, 1917.

The Town Council met this day at 7 p.m. Present: Mayor Williams, Councillors Mosher, McLean, Lynch, Herman and Carter.

On motion of Councillor Herman, seconded by Councillor Lynch, the following resolution was unanimously agreed to:

"WHEREAS, the recent catastrophe to the Town of Dartmouth was apparently due to some causes which might have been prevented, and attention to which may avert a recurrence.

AND WHEREAS, the investigation at present being conducted is apparently concerned only with the responsibility for the collision which resulted in the explosion, which, in the opinion of the public, is the least important of the contributing causes;

AND WHEREAS, it may be that an investigation into all the causes can only be properly held by a commission appointed by the Federal or even the Imperial Government;

THEREFORE RESOLVED, that this Council request the Dominion Government to take such steps as are necessary to fully ascertain all the causes of the disaster and also what measures should be taken to prevent a recurrence."

RESOLVED: That Councillor Herman be appointed to attend the conference with the Halifax Board of Control and Dominion Cabinet Ministers in Halifax re the recent disaster.

Councillor Herman was also appointed a member of the Rehabilitation and Claims Committee.

The Mayor read a letter from the Governor-General expressing his profound regret and sympathy with the families in Dartmouth who had suffered loss by death or destruction of their property by the recent great disaster.

The Public Property Committee were authorized to have repairs made to the Town Hall. The Town Clerk was instructed to get in figures from Builders for the work.

Approved,

Adjourned,

E. P. Williams

Mayor.

Town Clerk.