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With regard to the 3rd Section. This subject participated last year in Council and a Committee appointed, who agreed on the propriety of having the Bill. It now remains for the Council's decision, whether they will vote the money or otherwise.

Section 6. We recommend the adoption of the suggestion by the Chairman of the Wardens viz that Licences be issued to persons applying at the Police Office (and that the scale of rates for sweeping chimneys remain as at present).

The Complaint contained in Section 7th belonging to the notice of the Executive

To the 8th Section, We call the attention of the Aldermen of the Third Ward

All which your Committee most respectfully
submit
to His Worship the Mayor & S^r W^m Rocke
and Aldermen in William Murdoch
City Council Assembled. Robt. Hobble

When the following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the first clause of the Report be received adopted and acted upon and that the remainder stand over until the Quarterly Meeting, which on being put to paper

Lock up the account of the Gas Company and the statement and report on the subject

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen in City Council assembled

The Committee appointed to adjust the account rendered by the Gas Company against the City have examined the Journal kept by the Captain of the Watch, from which they draw out an account as an offset and presented it to the manager of the Gas Company and at the same time gave him the benefit of a full examination of the Watch books and such explanations as he might require by freely questioning the Captain. It is but justice here to acknowledge, that our intercourse with Mr. Twiss has been of such a nature as to convince us that while faithfully discharging his duty to his employer he has

First Clause
of foregoing.
Report adopted

Report
of Committee on
Gas Company
Account

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December 12 at the same time desired to do justice to the Public where these claims admitted of proof. A communication from a Committee of the Gas Company to the Committee of the City Council dated 9^t instant has been received on this subject. They enclosed the report of Mr. Brunt in which he shews the sum of Fifteen Pounds ten Shillings and two pence to be due, as an offset by the City, which the Committee for the Gas Company agree to allow.

With regard to the exemptions from liability to which the Committee consider themselves entitled, and which they espouse in the document now laid before the Council, we prefer receiving the instructions of the before replying thereto, considering our power limited to the adjustment of the account, respectfully
place accounts and Committee in order.

Sjs W. Roche
R. H. Kinnings
H. Anderson

When the following resolution is introduced

Resolution
deducting £15.10.2
from Gas Company
Account

Resolved that the sum of tendered by the Gas Company amounting to £15.10.2 be deducted from their present amount, and that a check be drawn in their favour for the balance, but that the other matters referred stand over for future consideration. Which on being put is passed

On Motion the Council rise

W. Chaldecott Mayor

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W Grant
Sworn into
Office as
Weigher of Flour

Mr William Grant having executed his
Bond to the City as Weigher of Flour and Meal and having
taken the oaths of Office prescribed by law in this day sworn
into office as Weigher of Flour and Meal for the City of Halifax
in presence of His Worship the Mayor

Know all men by these presents that
the said William Grant of the City of Halifax, and Province of Nova
Scotia Gentleman as Principal and John McDougall of the
said City Merchant and Donald Murray of the said City
Merchant are held and firmly bound to the City of Halifax
in the sum of Eight Hundred Pounds of lawful money of the
Province aforesaid, that is to say the said William Grant as
Principal in the sum of Four Hundred pounds and the said
John McDougall and Donald Murray as sureties for the said
William Grant in the sum of Two Hundred pounds each to be
paid to the said City of Halifax for which payment to be well and
truly made, the bind ourselves our heirs Executors and Administrators
firmly by these presents sealed with our seal and dated
the sixteenth day of December in the year of our Lord One
thousand eight hundred and fifty, Whereas at a meeting of
City Council held at Halifax on the twelfth day of December
instant the said William Grant was duly elected and appointed
to the office of Weigher of Flour and Meal for the City of Halifax
and Whereas by an Act passed at the last meeting of the
Legislature it was enacted that all Weighers of Flour and Meal
appointed by the City Council shall before entering upon the
duties of their office give security by bond to the City of Halifax, in
such sum, and with such sufficient securities as
may be approved of by the City Council, conditioned for the faithful
performance of their duties

Now the condition of this obligation is such
that if the said William Grant shall well and faithfully perform
execute and discharge all the duties appertaining to the said office
of Weigher of Flour and Meal agreeably to Law and such Ordinance
or Bye Laws of the said City Council as may be legally made
relating thereto as such Weigher of Flour and Meal. Then this
obligation to be null and void otherwise to be and remain in
full force and virtue

Signed sealed and
delivered in presence of
J. L. Peagey

Mr William Grant O
John McDougall O
Donald Murray O

Ms.

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Mr John Parker having executed his bond
 to the City as Weigher of Flour and Meal, and having taken
 the Oath of Office prescribed by law is this day sworn into office
 Sworn into Office as Weigher of Flour and Meal for the City, in the presence of His
 Weigher of Flour Worship the Mayor
 and Meal

I Parker's
 Bond
 Weigher of
 Flour and Meal

Know all men by these present that the John
 Parker of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia Gentleman
 principal and Thompson Woodill of the said City Butcher are
 sold and firmly bound to the City of Halifax in the sum of
 Eight hundred pounds of lawfull money of the Province aforesaid
 That is to say the said John Parker as Principal in the sum
 of Four Hundred pounds and the said Thompson Woodill
 and John Rodgers as Sureties for the said John Parker in the
 sum of two hundred pounds each to be paid to the said City of
 Halifax for which payment to be well and truly made we
 bind ourselves our heirs executors and administrators firmly
 by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this nineteenth
 day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
 and fifty

Whereas at a meeting of the City Council
 held at Halifax on the fifteenth day of October last past the said
 John Parker was duly elected and appointed to the Office of
 Weigher of Flour and Meal for the City of Halifax and Whereas by
 an act passed at the last meeting of the Legislature it was
 enacted that all Weighers of Flour and Meal appointed by the
 City Council shall before entering upon the duties of their Office
 give security by bond to the City of Halifax in such penal sum
 and with such sufficient securities as may be approved
 by the City Council conditioned for the faithful performance
 of their duties

Now the conditions of this obligation is such
 that if the said John Parker shall well and faithfully perform
 execute and discharge all the duties appertaining to the said Office
 of Weigher of Flour and Meal agreeably to Law and such Ordinance
 or By Law of the said City Council as may be legally made relating
 thereto as such Weigher of Flour and Meal then this obligation to
 be null and void otherwise to be and remain in full force and
 virtue

Signed sealed and delivered
 in presence of
 W. L. Clegg 3

Sigd John Parker Q
 William T. Woodill Q
 John Rodgers Q

W. H. Morris

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December 23.

W. J. Morris

Surety

City Clerk of License

W. J. Morris having filed his Bond
and having taken the Oath of Office prescribed by Law on
this day came into Office of City Clerk of Licenses for the City
in Presence of His Worship the Mayor.

Know all men by these present that
we William J. Morris of the City of Halifax and Province of Nova
Scotia Gentleman as Principal and Samuel Caldwell of
the said City Blacksmith and Matthew Rooney of the said City
Shopkeeper are held and firmly bound to the City of Halifax in
the sum of Twelve Hundred pounds of Lawful money of Nova
Scotia. That is to say the said William J. Morris as principal
in the sum of Four Hundred pounds and the said Samuel
Caldwell and Matthew Rooney as sureties for the said
William J. Morris in the sum of Four hundred pounds each
to be paid to the said City of Halifax for which payment well
and truly to be made, we bind ourselves and each of us
our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, and the Heirs
Executors and administrators of each of us jointly and severally
firmly by these presents sealed with our seals and dated this
Twenty third day of December in the year of our Lord One thousand
Eight Hundred and fifty.

Whereas at a meeting of the City Council
held on the fifteenth day of October last, the said William J. Morris
was duly elected and appointed to the Office of City Clerk of Licenses
for said City.

Now the condition of this obligation is such
that if the said William J. Morris shall well and truly faithfully perform
execute and discharge all the duties appertaining to the said Office
of City Clerk of License agreeably to Law and such ordinance of the
City Council as have been or may hereafter be legally made relating thereto
and shall from time to time duly account for and pay over to the City Treasurer
of said City of Halifax all monies whatsoever which have hitherto been received
by him or which shall hereafter come into his hands by virtue of his said
Office of Clerk of Licenses and shall once in every month if required by the
City Council of Halifax pay over to the said City Treasurer the amount of license
duly collected by him the said City Clerk of License and shall immediately
hereafter produce and file with the City Clerk of the said City of Halifax a
particular account of the monies so received by him and also the receipt
of the said City Treasurer for the same and shall not make default
therein then this obligation to be null and void otherwise to be and remain
in full force and virtue.

Signed sealed and delivered,

in presence of

James S. Clarke

Sig: W. J. Morris Q

Sam'l Caldwell Q

Matthew Rooney Q

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At a Quarterly Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor Alderman Saidlaw, Mitchell, W. Anderson, Watt, Morrissey, Murdoch, Taylor, Egan, Arms, Cummings, J. Anderson and Knight.

Petitions

Chas Wallis

Petition of Charles J. Wallis on Motion is received and ordered to lie on the table

Wm Lamison

Petition of William Lamison on Motion is received and ordered to lie on the table

and

John Willis
rec'd and laid
on the Table

Petition of John Willis on Motion is received and ordered to lie on the table

Com from C.W.
Fairbanks rec'd

Communication from Charles H. Fairbanks on Motion is received

The City Council now proceed to the election of Measurers of Salt and Grain and other Officers for ensuing Year

Read following return from Supervisors of Salt and Grain

W. Jennings	221 Hhd. salt	1	185	W. Roll	1393 Hhd. salt	1	5 10 11
5751	do	2	30 19 2	5356	do	2	40 10 10
1790	Barley	4	3 11 6	6336	Corn	4	12 13 11
144	Wheat	2	2 11	518	Barley	4	1 0 9
3272	Oat	2	3 7 5	1346	Wheat	2	4 6 11
				15056	Oat	4	15 0 11
							£ 79 8 11 1/2
			£ 38 19 5				

W. Keating	1698 Hhd. salt	1	5 3 10	W. McCam	231 Hhd. salt	1	1 19 3
4865	do	2	40 13 10	5488	do	2	45 14 9
1081	Corn	4	2 1 8	1000.	Barley	4	2 .
3590	Barley	4	7 3 5	2283	Wheat	2	2 5 8
2020	Wheat	2	2 0 5	14249	Oat	2	14 5 .
7324	Oat	2	7 11 8				£ 63 14 8
			£ 64 16 10				

W. Martin	5844 Hhd. salt	2	48 14	W. Gull	7342 Hhd. salt	2	65 7 .
6150	Corn	4	12 5 .	875	Barley	4	1 15 .
1146	Barley	4	2 1 10	1623	Oat	2	10 16 5
1638	Wheat	4	1 12 9				
1265	Oat	2	5 5 3				£ 83 18 5
			£ 70 18 10				

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December 23	John McKay 249 Mrs. Salt	1	1	9	14	McKelly 349 Mrs. Salt	1	1	9	14
	5397 d.	2	44	19	6	5778 d.	2	23	3	.
	6319 Coal	4	1	6	3	529 Party	4	11	2	
						8077 Coal	4	8	1	6
										£ 33 14 9 p

Total	Mr. Jennings	£ 38. 19. 5 -
Salt 15072 p. Shd.	Robt	79. 8. 14 p
Corn 135 b. Pds	Heaton	64. 16. 10
Party 9438 d.	McCorm	63. 14. 8
Meat 10431 d.	Martin	70. 18. 11
Coal 77635 d.	Cull	83. 18. 5
	McKay	52. 14. 14 p
	Kelly	53. 14. 9 p
Expences		£ 189. 16. 7 p
1 Pan Scales		12. 10. 0
Freightage etc		3. 10. 6
		16. 1. 0
Dividends each		£ 59. 14. 5

Read applications for situation of
Measurers & Weighers and Weighers of Salt and Grain, when on Motion
of Salt and Grain the following are appointed

Appointed John Kelly, Ambrose Heating, John McKay,
Thomas McCorm, Mr. Martin, William Robt
James Cull and John Jennings

Read over return of Supervisor of Measurers
of Coal

Names	Chaldron	Pcs	Amount
John Connell	1724	6	432.
Soph. Finlay	1434	6	37 13 6
Patrick O'Connor	1760	6	440 0
James Cullen	1857	6	468 6
William Buckley	1846	6	46 3.
Samuel King	1641	6	44. 6
Alexander Grant	1707	6	42 13 6
Mr Madelon	1780	6	44 10.
William Holland	745	6	18 13 6
Chaldron	14494		£ 362 3.

Dividends £ 40. 5. 2 each

£ 2. William Holland

Supervisor

Read various applications when on
Motion the following persons are appointed Measurers of
Coals

William

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Measurers of
Coal
appointed

William Holland, Joseph Finlay, John Connell,
Alexander Grant, Patrick Cavers, James Cullen
Samuel King, William Maddew

The vote is then taken between William Buckley and Captain Maddison, when there appeared for William Buckley 2. Captain Maddison 10 Captain Maddison having received a clear majority of votes he is elected a Measurer of Coal for ensuing year

Wood

Read following return of Supervisor of

Return of Coal Wood landed and
Measured in Halifax from 1st January to 14 Dec 1850

Return of
Supervisor of
Wood

Samuel Borchart	1922.	0	lbs per ft
John Newson	1287.	6	
Ebenezer McFab	3575.	0	
Malcolm Brown	2267.	11	
William Billy	1318.	0	
	<u>10510.</u>		2 pds at 11 lbs 3.5

or £43.15.10p each

when the following appointments are made

Samuel Borchart, Malcolm Brown,
Ebenezer McFab, William Billy,

Measurers of
Wood
Appointed

Leather

Read following return of Supervisor of

Sellers of Leather for 1850	to whom sold	1st November	W. November	As shown	
				James Stanford	Robert Albro
				1419	1378
				.	248
				.	1070
				.	33
				.	733
	C Barnstead	10	.	.	486
	H Pollock	162	.	.	.
	Andrew Smith	360	.	.	.
	J R Stewart	.	76	.	.
	E Albro	.	42	.	.
	R McCaw	.	48	.	.
	A Chongham	.	.	.	14
	Wood	.	.	.	30
	J W Turner	1004	.	.	.
		2955	2886	2664	Numba

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Number of Sides Hal'd
 by Thomas McMurray 2953
 William Viscole 2886
 James Arwood 1664
 8505

Each Share 1835. Amount of each Share £17. 11s. 1d.

Sealers of
Leather
appointed

when the following appointment are made
 Thomas McMurray, James Arwood, William Viscole

On Motion the appointment of Surveyors
of Lumber Stand over

Inspectors
of Pickled and
Fresh Beef
appointed

On Motion Thomas O'Bannish and
James Mooney are appointed Inspectors of Pickled Beef and
Fresh

On Motion Thomas O'Bannish and
James Mooney are appointed Inspectors and Weighers of
Fresh Beef

Surveyors of
Brick & Lime
appointed

On Motion Nicholas Bright, Robert
Malcom and James Reid are appointed Surveyors of Brick
and Lime and Measurers of Measures Watt

Measurers
of Painter's Work
appointed

On Motion George Smithers, Mr Smythe
and Emanuel Depreyta are appointed Measurers and
Inspectors of Painter's Work

City Guager
appointed

On Motion Andrew Richardson Esqur
is appointed City Guager

The following appointments are next
made

Fence viewers
appointed

Fence viewers, Matthew Somers, William
Markle and Peter Grant

Hog Reaves
appointed

Goat and Hog Reaves Ward No 1
 William Miller Ward No 2 Samuel Noble, Ward No 3
 Peter Bulger Ward No 4 Daniel K Harris Ward No 5
 William West, Ward No 6 Alexander Linnings

Weighers of Hay
appointed

Weighers of Hay
 Thomas Neating and William Doyle

appointment

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Appointment of Five Wards on Motion

stands over until tomorrow

The City Council next take up the subject of appointment of Watchmen when following resolutions are introduced

Resolutions
relative to appointing
Watchmen
and
Committee

Resolved that notice be given for applicants for the situation of Watchmen in the City Papers and that their recommendations be filed on or before the 3rd day Jan'y next and that the parties elected enter upon their duty on the fourth day of January next which on being put is passed

Resolved that the six senior aldermen of the Ward. Alderman Saundlaw. Ann McKeith. Watt, Murdoch. Johns and King be appointed to select and appoint the various Watchmen for the thirteen weeks agreeable to resolution of Council which on being put is passed

Presiding
Officers app'to
for holding Election
for Asper in
Wards 3 & 4

Alderman Saundlaw is appointed Presiding Officer for holding the Election for the situation of Asper for Ward No 3 Mr John Gibson being disqualifed

Alderman Mitchell is appointed Presiding Officer to hold the election for the situation of Asper for Ward No 4 Mr John Silver being disqualifed

Bonds app'd
by City Council

The following Bonds of John Parker and William Grant as Weighers of Flour and Meal and William J Morris as City Clerk of License having been submitted to the City Council. the same are approved of. as entered (folios 134, 135 and 136)

Resolution
rel. to Setting
City Property
in January

Resolved that the Committee of City Property be authorised to let the same for the period of two years from the first day of May next, and that they let it at Public Auction sometime during the month of January instead of on the first day of May as heretofore. which on being put is passed

Resolution
for His Honor the
Recorder to
Amend Corp't Act

Resolved that His Honor the Recorder be requested to take up the act of incorporation and have the present act continued with such amendment introduced as may

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Read following petition of Maurice White

of the City Council

To His Worship the Mayor and Gentlemen

Sheweth

The Humble Petition of Maurice White

Petition of Maurice White

That Your Petitioner has been employed as a City Watchman for nearly three years, that during that period he has performed the duties of the said office faithfully and efficiently. That Petitioner has never been absent from his post during all the time he has been so employed except for nine or ten days in 1849 when he was prevented by illness from attending his duties as usual and for thirteen days in the month of October now last past, during which he was also confined to his bed by illness.

Your Petitioner further states that during his illness in 1849 his pay was allowed to run on and that he received the same. That the amount due for thirteen days in October the period of his last sickness is £1.17.0d which amount he has not received yet.

That Your petitioner has been at considerable expense incurred for medical attendance during his said sickness. And humbly pray that your worshipfull body may award the said sum to be paid him in accordance with the established practice.

And your petitioner will ever pray
Sd/Maurice White

Dec 10th 1850

when following resolution is introduced

Resolved that the application of Maurice White be complied with, but it is perfectly understood that no application of similar nature will be attended to, and that in future any Watchmen absent from duty a substitute shall be provided and the amount deducted from the Watchman's pay, which on being put is lost 5 voting for it and 7 against it.

Council on Motion adjourn until tomorrow
at Two O'Clock

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Resolution
re to above
Petition

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An adjourned Meeting of the City Council
held this day present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen
Sandland Mitchell, W J Anderson, Sandlaw MacKeith
Smithers, Noble, Watt, Moore, Morrissey, Burdock, Taylor
Egan, Johns, Roche, Cummings, King and Knight

Read over proceedings of Yesterday

The City Council next proceed to take
into consideration the following Petition of Patrick Caulfield
and others

Salford December 9th 1850
To His Worship the Mayor and
Aldermen of the City of Salford
Gentlemen

The respectfull petition of
the undersigned Constables of the City of Salford most humbly
Sheweth

That your petitioners have held the
situation of Constables for several years during which period
they have endeavoured to discharge as well as is their duty the
various duties of their office with diligence and respect and
they trust with satisfaction to the Council and Citizens generally.

That your petitioners respectfully
represent to your Worshippfull body the various duties of their
situation, which they find has materially increased since
their first appointment as well by night as by day the
Sabbath not excepted.

That Your petitioners are all men
of Families who are looking up to them for support and find
their present salary inadequate to make both ends meet and
maintain themselves in respectability.

They therefore respectfully approach
your Worshippfull Body trusting in your manifest generosity
and benevolence you will take your case into your favour-
able consideration and grant them an addition to their
present salary

And your Petitioners as in duty bound
will ever pray

Sig: Patrick Caulfield

Sam'l Cottier

Philip Parsons

Andrew Mackay

John Mulligan

W Roddeock when

Petition of
Caulfield &
others. for
increase of Salary

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When the following resolutions are introduced

Resolved that the City Constables now petitioning receive One pound per Month in addition to their present Salary commencing from the first of January next to which following amendment is introduced

Resolutions
relative to
Constables Petition
for increase of
Pay

Resolved that the additional sum of Pounds per annum be granted to each of the Constables who have petitioned for an increase of salary which amendment being put is carried, the original is therefore lost

The following resolution is not introduced

Resolved that the Blank be filled up with the sum of One pound to which following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the Blank be filled up with Twenty pounds, which amendment being put is lost 2 voting for it and 15 against it, the original resolution is then put and passed unanimously

Read following Petition of W^m Jamison

Halifax 21 Dec 1850

May it please your Worshipps

There was during the fire which occurred on the Morning of the 11th inst a house owned by me situated in Bonack Street, was torn down by order of the Fire Wardens, with the view of staying the further progress of the Conflagration

I therefore beg to submit my claim for indemnification in the sum of £100, / say Two Hundred Pounds, / annexed is certificate signed by the Fire Wardens and others in confirmation of the fact. All of which is respectfully submitted

To I have the honor to be
His Worship the Mayor and
Aldermen of the City of Halifax 3rd Year of the 1850
W^m Jamison

Halifax 21 Dec 1850

I the undersigned hereby certify
that during the fire which occurred on the Morning of 11th inst
a house owned by Mr W^m Jamison situated in Bonack Street
was torn down by the directions of the Fire Wardens before the
fire had extended to it, with the view of arresting the
progress

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December 24th progress of the conflagration, and that in our opinion this
act was dictated by a wise discretion.

Sigs: Arch. Sinclair
G.A. Brighten
Robt Richardson

Read following petition of Charles S Wallis

To His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen &c
of the City of Halifax

The Petitioner of Charles S Wallis humbly beseeches
that in consequence of the destructive fire which took place on
the morning of the 11th by which two of his houses were destroyed
a third having been pulled down by directions from the Fire
Board, these orders having been given by them and partly
executed sometime before any of the fire had reached that
property. These are facts which can be substantiated by the
most respectable and undoubted evidence, which can be brought
before your honorable Body, at whatever time such may be
required.

Your Petitioner therefore humbly request that
an investigation may be made in order that he may obtain such
remuneration for the loss which he has sustained on this
particular property, fully conscious that the decision of Your
Honorable Body will be based upon the justness of his claim, and
at the same time in accordance with such provisions as the law
requires, and as in duty bound Your petitioner will ever pray

Halifax, 1st December 20th 1850,

Sig: Charles S Wallis

We certify the statements made in the
foregoing document to be correct

Sigs: John Longard
Arch. Sinclair
J.S.B. Smith
Robert Remond
G.A. Brighten

When following resolution is introduced

Resolved that a Committee of Five be appointed
to take up the Petitions of William Jamison and Charles S Wallis
together with His Honor the Recorder make the necessary enquiries
and report thereon to the Council. And that Alderman Roche
Taylor, J. Anderson, Mumming and Morsey be that Committee
which

Resolution
re to Jamisons &
Wallis Petitions

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Petition of
John Willis
withdrawn

Read Petition of John Willis when on
Motion Alderman Mitchell has leave to withdraw the same

On Motion Alderman Murdoch takes
the Chair

No^o C H Fairbanks,

of Halifax

Read following communication from

Halifax Dec 20 1850

To The Commissioners of Street for the City
Gentlemen

I respectfully solicit your aid and
assistance in the survey and construction of a plan of the City of
Halifax

The great necessity which at present
exists for such a plan needs no remark. There is no such a thing as
a plan of this City in existence. Plans of part of the City have been
made, but not in a correct manner.

I suppose that a survey and plan of
the whole Peninsula of Halifax should in time be made but at present
only the City from the Bridge to Richmond including the common

The plan should show all buildings
wharves, water or gas pipes, water lots and the sewers public or private.
The lines of the streets should be defined and all the information that
a good plan can contain or admit of should be correctly laid down.

The expence of such a plan I estimate
at £100. Should the City Authorities retain the Copyright of the plan
I do not doubt but that a sufficient number of copies will be sold
to nearly defray the expence of the original plan. Sections and
profiles of the streets should be taken and the grade laid down on
them. The value of a plan as proposed cannot be fully estimated.
It is now the practice in all cities to have such plans made.

I would remark of the sewers of this City
that not one foot of them is constructed on a proper principal.
In the infancy of every city or town it seldom happens that proper care is
used by the inhabitants to insure a proper quantity of water with the
necessary drainage, air, and good ventilation.

The sanitary condition of this City is most
deplorable. Should the plan be made as proposed the City Council
may see fit to appoint a person whose duty it will be to place on the
plan all future improvements, in the City, and to give any information
required. This is the proper duty of the City Engineer or Surveyor
we have no such office in this City. It is evident that an Office
of

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December 24 of this nature must be created. I would suggest that the Office of City Engineer and Chief of Fire Department should be combined in the one person.

John Watt Esq
Chairman
Committee of Street

I am
Your obed Servt
Charles W Fairbanks
Civil Engineer

The following resolution is introduced

Resolution Resolved that a Committee be appointed to confer with Mr Fairbanks on the nature of his petition and report to the Council at its first meeting in January 1851 and that Aldermen Roche, Noble, Watt, Eper and Knight, be that Committee, which on being passed

The City Council next proceed to the appointment of the wards when the following Gentlemen are appointed to this office

Five Wards appointed

Ward No One	Ward No Four
Wm G Anderson	John Eper
James Poyas	John Richardson
John Gaffey	Jeremiah Hartup
Thomas Holloway	

Ward No Two	Ward No Five
Robert Richardson	Glas Brughton
Henry Spittle	Richard August
J. J. B. Smith	Robert A. Skinner
Patrick Walsh	

Ward No Three	Ward No Six
Alexander Bain	John Longard
William McCaig	Joseph Bell
Peter Morrissey	Alexander Fraser

To Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair when on Motion the Council rise

W.C.

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Measurers of Coal

Sworn

William Holland Supervisor, Patrick O'Connor, Samuel King, William Macdonald, Alexander Grant, Mark Macdonald, and James Cullen having taken the oath of Office prescribed by law and submitted their agreement, are this day sworn into Office as Measurers of Coal for ensuing year

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Fire Wards

Sworn

Patrick Walsh and Peter Morrissey Equivis
having taken the oath of Office prescribed by law are this day
sworn into Office as Fire Wards for the City in presence of
His Worship the Mayor.

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Fire Wards

Sworn

Jeremiah Hartshop and James Poynter
having taken the oath of Office prescribed by law are this
day sworn into as Fire Wards for the City in presence of His
Worship the Mayor.

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Fire Wards

Sworn

Alexander Bain having taken the oath of
Office prescribed by law is this day sworn into Office as Fire Ward
for the City in the presence of Hon M'Keith

January 6

Measurers of
Salt and Grain

Sworn

John Kelly Supervisor, John Jennings, John
McKay, Thomas McCam, William Robb, James Cull, Ambrose
Keating and John Martin, having taken the oath of Office
prescribed by law are this day sworn into Office as Measurers
and Weighers of Salt and Grain, in presence of His Worship the
Mayor

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At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Sandlaw, Mitchell, Son & Keish, Hoble, Watt, Moore, Morrissey, Hindecock, Taylor, Epon John, Roche, Kimmings, King, Anderson and Knight

The City Council were summoned to take into Consideration the report of Committee of City Property, relative to tenders for Building Newmarket, Appointment of Fire Wards for Wards 1, 3 and 6, the payment of several accounts and the transaction of other business.

The following report of Committee of City Property relative to Tenders for New Market is read

Report of Committee of City Property relative to Tenders for New Market

The Committee of City Property beg to report that in accordance with the resolution of the City Council of 2nd November ult. they called before them the Architect whose designs had been approved of, and instructed him to complete his plans and Specifications as soon as possible. These plans to be submitted to the Committee on the 10th ult and they immediately advertised in the newspapers for tenders and requesting parties contracting to send in their tenders on or before the 2nd Inst. The Committee met on the 3rd January and found that only two tenders had been received, these they now lay on the Table for the consideration of the Council. They are as follows

Robert Malcolm tender to complete what is designated in the plan as

No 1 for £6.901
2 . . 6.851
3 . . 6.760
4 . . 6.798
5 . . 6.749

M. Hill & Sons 3. Agreeably to plans and Specifications £7.325

If the principal Storey of the work and West is made plain similar to Mep's Hill & Son's Granite Store, and the whole of the South and south east Fronts, and the upper storey of Acadia corner upper Water St £.225

M. Malcolm has submitted his tender as requested giving estimates of the different methods of cutting the Granite, or of building of Granite and Face stone, and has sent in a stone showing the different finishes

Mep's Hill and Sons merely render

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one statement saying, agreeably to plan and specification which they describe to be similar in general to Messrs. Kemps and to Acadia corner, and as your Committee understand them a plain building, without the external ornamental work contemplated in the original plan.

In consequence of a tender having been made for a building of the latter description by Mr. McLean your Committee asked Mr. McLean to tender for the same design and his tender amounts to £6,405-

and contemplates from the supposed cost, that the building would let for £70 annually more than is yielded by the present market, after paying six per cent interest.

They consider it due to the Council in a matter of this importance, to show how matters will stand should the tender submitted be accepted.

If Mr. McLean's tender for is accepted	£6,901
Allowing 10% for contingencies say for flooring 1 and 2 storey with 2 in plank ground and tongued } £150 painting two Superintendents at 15/- per day } £95 putting in Gas & Water &c	690.20
Add what present Market Yield	225.15.0
One month's interest half the time of building on payment made	207.3.0
	<u>£8,024.0.0</u>

Interest at 6% on £8,024	481.9.0
Rent of the Present Market for annum	<u>225.15.0</u>
Rent estimated by Report	707.14.0
	<u>700.0.0</u>
	<u>£ 7.14.0</u>

If the lowest tender were accepted	3
The amount would stand thus	5930.0.0
Allow 10% as before stated	593.0.0
Add 12 months rent of Present Market	225.15.0
One month's interest half time of Building	178.18.0
	<u>£ 6927 13.0</u>

Interest at 6% on £6927.13.0	445.16.0
add a year's rental of present Market	<u>225.15.0</u>
Estimated Rental	700.0.0
leaving over 6% on present rental	<u>£ 58.9.0</u>

This the highest finish contemplated by the Committee nos. would be £7.14.0 more than the sum estimated

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estimated the building would yield in the former report
The lowest finish in Granite similar to Messrs Kenny's warehouse
and Seadie corner building would yield according to the
lowest tender £58.9.0 after paying 6% interest, thus showing the
difference per annum of interest at 6% between the highest
finish contemplated and the plain finish to be £65.13.0

Your Committee regret that so few tenders
have been submitted and the amount of the estimate exceeds
their expense due expectations

They are however of opinion that in putting
up a building for a public Market, in our City, the difference
of Cost equal to £65.13.0 per annum should not be compared
to the advantages of having a well finished ornamental building
and they would therefore recommend the Council to adhere to the
original Design. Should the Council so decide, Your Committee
would further recommend that before the Contract is definitely
entered into with the party tendering, that the Legislature be
applied to immediately on its opening for power to take the necessary
ground from the street five feet. It might perhaps be advisable to
ask for ground on both sides, the North and the South to enable
the Council to take it on either, or to take two and a half on each
as they may decide, when they are prepared to commence, and at
some time that application be made for power to borrow the amount
required over the amount granted namely £1000.

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Sig: William Murdoch
Chairman

Report of Committee
on Jamisons & Wallis
Petitions received

Five Wards
Appointed

Resolution
for Appliers to
file their applications

The report of the Committee on Petition of
William Jamison and Charles S. Wallis on Motion is received

The City Council next proceed to appoint
a Five Ward for Ward No 1, 3 and 5 when the following
Gentlemen are appointed to that Office

Ward No 1 P C Hill Esq
Ward No 2 George McKenzie
Ward No 3 William C Martin

The following resolutions are next introduced

Resolved that notice be given for applicants
for the Office of two City Appliers to be filed on or before the
1st day of February, which on being put to a poll

Resolved

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Resolution

rd to pay of
City Clerks

Resolved that the sum of Fifty pounds
be paid each of the City Clerks for present year to which
the following amendment is introduced

Resolved that the sum of Fifty pounds
be paid each of City Clerks for present year, which amendment
being put is lost 9 voting for it and 11 against it
The original resolution is then put and passed 11 voting for
it and 9 against it

The following accounts having been
recommended for payment by the Committee of Public Account
His Worship the Mayor is requested to draw Checks on the City
Treasurer for the same

Cemetery

John Barry	1.11.11
Robert Richardson	4.8.0
Aga Jennings	1.9.11
Thomas Begg & Co	0.1.6
Matthew Grounds	0.5.0

Report of
Committee of
Public Accounts

City Property

Henry A Jennings	1st	Robert Malcolm	15.7.3
D McPherson	2.7.6	Thomas Whaling	0.5.0

Bridewell

Henry Jennings	3.11.7	William McAuley	8.16.3
dltt	11.6.3	dltt.	10.16.11
Matthew Taylor	2.18.4	Thomas Begg & Co	1.17.7
RW Fraser & Co	82.14.2	W C Standard	1.14.2
Wm Grans	23.8.10		

General Account

Mr Hill	1.3.11	Maurice White	3.0.0
16 ^c Clinton	2.8.0	Jeremiah Connolly	3.0.0
John Shean	3.3.0	Patrick O'neally	3.3.0
Gamer Tolland	3.0.0		

The following Bond of Assurance
Matthew Squire City Treasurer having been submitted
the same is approved of

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