

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell. Said amendment on being put is lost, 4 voting for the same and 11 against it.

Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Amendment	Against it
Aldermen Butler, Hubley, O'Donnell, Creighton—4.	Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave, Faulkner, Mitchell, Menger, Campbell, Redden, Ryan, Hawkins, Rogers, Martin—11.

The following amendment is next introduced:

Resolved, That an application be made to the Legislature to enable this Council now or hereafter to relieve any industrial enterprise from taxation, on such terms and conditions as this Council shall approve.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, and passed.

Read report Committee on Laws and Privileges re Fire Protection Rates for Sugar Refinery.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, February 21st, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council:

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Laws and Privileges beg to report that at a meeting held 20th inst. they had before them the petition of the Acadia Sugar Refining Company for the sanction of the Council to the passing of an Act providing that nothing contained in the City Charter should be construed as taking away or in anywise affecting the exemptions (if any) to which the Refinery was entitled immediately prior to the passing of the Charter.

Mr. T. E. Kenny, President of the Refinery Company and Mr. R. E. Harris, Solicitor, addressed the Committee in favor of the application, and His Honor the Recorder contra.

After due consideration the following resolution was adopted and is recommended to the Council for concurrence:

Whereas, the Acadia Sugar Refining Company claim exemption from payment of the Fire Protection Rate under the terms of their Act of Incorporation;

And Whereas, such rate has never been collected from such Company, nor was any attempt made to collect such rate until the past year;

And Whereas, it has been stated by His Honor the Recorder that the Act under which said Company claims such exemption has only one more year to run;

And whereas, said Company, in the event of the proceedings now before the Court being withdrawn, have agreed to pay the City's costs as if judgment in the case before the Court had been given in favor of the City.

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Committee it would be inexpedient to enforce payment of said rates; but that the Company should be permitted to enjoy the continuation of the exemption claimed until the expiration of the present Act, and that thereafter the payment of fire protection rates should be enforced."

J. MENG R, *Chairman.*

His Worship the Mayor retires, and the Deputy-Mayor takes the Chair.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that on Laws and Privileges on same matter, bearing date 18th February.

said report be adopted. Motion put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Geldert, Mitchell, Faulkner, Redden, Butler, Menger, Musgrave, Creighton, Hawkins—9.	Aldermen Ryan, Hubley, O'Donnell, Martin, Rogers—5.

His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Read City Engineer's report re completion of Fenwick Street.

COMPLETION OF FENWICK STREET.

February 22nd, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir.—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the completion of Fenwick street at its junction with Queen Street.

In order to widen the street and fill it to grade, it would be necessary to acquire the right to make a dump on two properties, each of which belongs to an estate among the heirs of which there are life interests. There is a house on one property which would have to be raised or demolished. As I am uncertain what the value of the life interests would be, I am not in a position to make a recommendation or give an estimate and I would suggest that the matter be referred to His Honor the Recorder to recommend the best course to pursue in acquiring the right to grade the street, or the whole property.

Respectfully submitted.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Musgrave, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read City Engineer's report re Completion of Curb South Park Street.

SOUTH PARK STREET CURB.

February 22nd, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor:

Sir.—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the expediency of completing the curb on South Park Street on the East side between South Street and Inglis Street and on the West side between Victoria Road and Inglis Street, with the estimate of probable cost.

Eight years ago, when Mr. John Mackintosh was Chairman of the Board of Works, a curb was laid on the West side of South Park Street between South Street and Victoria Road. Two years later curb was laid on the East side of South Park Street between South Street and Spring Garden Road. There is no doubt that South Park Street is the handsomest street in the City in the Summer season and is much admired by visitors as well as by our own citizens. While I hesitate to recommend the diversion of Street Funds from the business streets, a precedent has been already established by the Council on this street. The completion of the curb would add to the appearance of the street and remove the old cobble gutters.

The estimated cost is:

1,700 ft. of straight curb and gutter.....	at \$1.10	\$1,870.00
144 ft. of corner gutter	at 68	97.92
110 ft. of corner curb	at 75	82.50
Setting stone, grading and macadamizing		1,448.00
Total		\$3,498.42

I have in a former report declined to recommend a similar expenditure on Queen Street on the ground that it was not a main thoroughfare; but the same reason will now apply to South Park Street, and as the Council has

already ordered some work on this street, I beg to recommend that the curb be completed in the sections named in the resolution, under the Permanent Pavement Act.

Respectfully submitted.

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer*.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Butler, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of Coal Measurers for the Month of January. Filed.

Read papers in connection with a proposed scheme of Eugene P. Bender for the establishing of Abattoirs, Refrigerators, etc., in the City of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that this matter be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from His Honor the Recorder, covering draft of an Act to amend the City Charter.

RE LEGISLATION.

HALIFAX, N. S., February 17th, 1899.

I enclose herewith an Act of the Legislature embodying all matters, as far as I am aware of, passed by the Council and also some matters approved of by the Laws and Privileges Committee which will be submitted to the Council. Assuming that they will be approved of by the Council, I have embodied them in this Act.

I have not put anything in the Act relative to the Cotton Factory, because the Company should introduce the Act themselves amending their Charter, which forms no part of the City Charter.

I would suggest that the usual Committee be appointed to attend the Legislature in relation to the passage of this Act and the City Charter.

W. F. MacCoy, *Recorder*.

Read said draft act.

On motion said act is considered clause by clause.

Read Clause 1—Re legalizing the borrowing of \$50,000 from the Merchants' Bank of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that said clause pass. Motion passed.

Read Clause 2—Authorizing the Council to borrow \$50,000 and interest to pay Merchants' Bank the amount so borrowed.

And to also borrow the sum of six thousand dollars for the purpose of purchasing land and erecting a public slaughter house thereon.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Ryan, that said Clause be amended by substituting the amount "not to exceed \$15,000" for the amount "6,000" in said clause. Motion passed and Clause passed as amended.

On motion of Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Ryan, No. 35 on Order Paper, viz: "Notice of Motion by Alderman Mitchell in re providing a public slaughter house under Civic control" is struck from the Order Paper.

Read Clause 3—Re prohibiting the slaughter of animals for food except in such public slaughter house. Passed.

Read Clause 4—Re amounts borrowed under Clause 2 to form part of the Consolidated Fund of the City of Halifax. Passed.

Read Clause 5—Re borrowing the sum of \$2,500 for purposes in connection with the Citizens' Free Library, and \$1,000 to pay the amount due the Board of Health. Passed.

Read Clause 6—Re Railway Sidings. Passed.

Read Clause 7—Giving Standard Oil Company permission to build a railway siding across and along Campbell Road. Passed.

Read Clause 8—Re Transferring balance of money remaining for the Widening of Lockman Street to the Widening of Quinpool Road. Passed.

Read Clause 9—Re Transferring to Street Appropriation the balance remaining after the Widening of Campbell Road. Passed.

Read Clause 10—Re Trading Stamps and similar devices. Passed.

Clauses 11—Re Payment of Taxes Quarterly, and 12—Re Assessment on Machinery and Raw Material, etc., are withdrawn.

Clauses 13, 14 and 15—Re License Tax on manufacturing machinery etc. Withdrawn.

Clause 16—Re Dominion Cotton Mills Co., Limited, and Acadia Sugar Refinery Company, Ltd. Withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Geldert that said Act as amended do now pass as a whole. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that His Worship the Mayor do nominate a Committee to watch the progress of the City bills through the Legislature. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor nominates Aldermen Faulkner, Menger, Redden and Rogers, together with the Recorder and the City Engineer, as the Committee to watch proposed Legislation. On motion the said nominations are confirmed.

Read report of Police Commissioners.

HALIFAX, N. S., February 21st, 1899.

The Board of Police Commissioners met this day and beg to submit the following report:

They had before them an extract from Minutes of City Council, bearing date of 17th January, 1899, covering a petition from the Police Sergeants and men for an increase of salary, and resolution of City Council relative thereto.

They find that the Sergeants are now receiving six hundred and forty dollars (\$640.00) and the men five hundred and forty dollars (\$540.00) per annum, including clothes, and that in connection with the Force there is a superannuation fund in existence from which a fair provision is made for the men in their old age.

On the other hand, they find that in comparison with the wages received by mechanics, clerks and others employed in our City in different capacities at the present time the members of the Police Force have no cause to complain, as in the opinion of this Commission the strength of the Force will require to be increased at an early date, involving a considerable increased expenditure, they regret they cannot recommend any increase in the pay of the Force at the present time.

The Board also had a communication from the Law and Order League relative to violation of the Sabbath Day at Pickford and Black's Wharf referred to them by this Council for a report.

Upon investigation they find the facts to be as stated in a letter of Messrs. Pickford and Black (which is annexed hereto.)

They also find that the facts contained in said letter had been communicated to His Worship the Mayor the day after the offence, and His Worship, with due regard to the interests of the Port of Halifax and a fair interpreta-

tion of the Law, considers it not a case for further action, and in which decision the Police Commission concur.

Respectfully submitted.

ALEX. STEPHEN, *Chairman.*

On motion the same is considered Clause by Clause.

Read Clause 1—Re Petition of Sergeants and men for an increase of pay.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Musgrave, that said Clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 2—Re Violation of the Sabbath Day at Pickford & Black's Wharf.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that this Clause be adopted and that a copy of the same be forwarded to the Rev. Allan Pollock, President of the Law and Order League. Motion passed.

Permission is given to Alderman Martin to introduce the following resolution:

Whereas, it is expedient in the opinion of this Council that the system under which the Public Works of the City at present are managed is unsatisfactory, and it is expedient that the management obtaining under the provisions of the City Charter should be repealed;

Therefore resolved That the Recorder be requested to prepare an Act for submission to the Legislature at its present Session, repealing Section 14 of Chapter 31, of the Acts of 1894, whereby the old Board of Works was abolished, and re-enacting section 421 of Chapter 58 of the Acts of 1891 in City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Rogers.

On motion, No 27, viz: Alderman O'Donnell's Notice of Motion relative to abolishing the City Health Board and re-establishing the City Board of Works, is considered with the foregoing resolution.

The original motion, together with No. 27 on Order Paper is now put and lost, 6 voting for the same and 10 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.

Aldermen Ryan, Hubley,
O'Donnell, Martin,
Rogers, Hawkins—6.

Against it.

Aldermen Geldert, Redden,
Faulkner, Lane, Butler,
Campbell, Menger,
Mitchell—10.

By leave of Council the following resolution is next introduced:

Resolved, That the City be empowered to borrow a sum not to exceed two thousand dollars to defray the expenses in connection with proposed celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the Founding of Halifax, and that a Committee be appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

Moved by Alderman Ryan, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, and passed; Alderman Hawkins voting against the motion.

The following Resolution is next introduced by leave of Council:

Whereas, there is in Nova Scotia no general registration for births and deaths, said registration being established in all other Provinces of the Dominion in connection with the registration of Marriages;

And Whereas, the necessities of the case require that such a bureau of statistics should be established at an early date, and the interest of the City of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia are one in this respect;

Be it Therefore Resolved, That this Council memorialize the Local Government that they introduce at the present Session of the Legislature an Act to establish a bureau for the Registration of Births and Deaths in this Province.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Rogers, and passed.

ORDER OF THE DAY.

No. 1—Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration in re Application of James P. Mackasey for a liquor license.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that said Application be reconsidered. Motion put and lost.

No. 2—Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration of Application of James W. Salterio for a liquor license.

Alderman Hubley's motion to reconsider this matter not receiving a seconder, the item is struck from the Order Paper.

No. 3—Alderman Hubley's notice of reconsideration of Application of Matthew Quirk for a liquor license.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell, that said Application be reconsidered. Motion put and lost.

No. 4—Alderman Lane's notice of reconsideration of Application of John L. Gooley for a liquor license.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that this Application be reconsidered.

Motion put and lost by the casting vote of the Mayor. Names being called for there appeared:

For Reconsideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Redden, Lane, Butler, Campbell, Mitchell, Menger, Ryan, Hawkins.	Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave, Faulkner, Hubley, O'Donnell, Martin, Rogers, Creighton, The Mayor.

No. 5—Alderman Redden's notice of reconsideration of Application of Gilbert W. Walker for a liquor license.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Butler, that this Application be reconsidered. Motion put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For Reconsideration.	Against it
Aldermen Hawkins, Creighton, Rogers, Martin, Ryan, Menger, Mitchell, Campbell, Butler, Lane, Redden.—11.	Aldermen O'Donnell, Hubley, Faulkner, Geldert, Musgrave—5.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Butler, that Gilbert W. Walker's Application for a liquor license be granted. Motion put and passed, 11 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for there appeared:

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Redden, Lane, Butler, Campbell, Mitchell, Menger, Ryan, Martin, Rogers, Creighton, Hawkins—11.	Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave, Faulkner, Hubley, O'Donnell—5.

No. 6—Alderman Menger's Notice of reconsideration of Application of Peter Mihan for a liquor license.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that said Application be reconsidered.

Motion put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 7 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For Reconsideration.

Against it.

Aldermen Hawkins, Ryan,
Menger, Mitchell,
Campbell, Butler, Lane,
Redden, Musgrave—9,

Aldermen Creighton, Martin,
Rogers, O'Donnell,
Hubley, Faulkner,
Geldert—7.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that Peter Mihan be granted the license applied for. Motion put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 7 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion

Against it

Aldermen Hawkins, Ryan,
Menger, Mitchell,
Campbell, Butler, Redden,
Musgrave—8.

Aldermen Creighton, Rogers,
Martin, O'Donnell,
Hubley, Faulkner,
Geldert—7.

No. 7—Alderman Hawkins' Notice of reconsideration of Application of Patrick J. Griffin.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Redden, that said Application be reconsidered. Motion put and passed, 10 voting for the same and 4 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.

Against it.

Alderman Redden, Geldert,
Musgrave, Butler,
Campbell, Mitchell,
Menger, Ryan, Hawkins,
Creighton—10.

Aldermen Hubley, O'Donnell,
Martin, Rogers—4.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the application of Patrick J. Griffin for a liquor license be granted. Motion put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.

Against it.

Aldermen Hawkins, Ryan,
Menger, Mitchell,
Campbell, Butler,
Redden, Musgrave,
Geldert—9.

Aldermen Creighton, Rogers,
Martin, O'Donnell,
Hubley—5.

No. 8—Alderman Hawkins' notice of reconsideration of Application of William H. Murray for a license to sell liquor.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Butler, that

said Application be reconsidered. Motion put and lost, 5 voting for the same and 11 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For reconsideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Hawkins, Ryan, Campbell, Rogers, Butler—5.	Aldermen Creighton, Martin, O'Donnell, Hubley, Mitchell, Lane, Redden, Faulkner, Musgrave, Geldert, Menger—11.

No. 9—Alderman Lane's notice of reconsideration of Application of William Hanrahan for a liquor license.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Redden, that said application be reconsidered. Motion put and lost, 7 voting for the same and 8 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For Reconsideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Ryan, Mitchell, Menger, Butler, Lane, Redden, Musgrave—7.	Aldermen Creighton, Martin, O'Donnell, Hubley, Campbell, Faulkner, Hawkins, Geldert—8.

No. 10—Alderman Redden's notice of reconsideration of Application of Henry Gullickson for a liquor license.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the application of Henry Gullickson be re considered. Motion put and passed, 8 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For Reconsideration.	Against it.
Aldermen Geldert, Musgrave, Redden, Lane, Butler, Campbell, Mitchell, Ryan—8.	Aldermen Faulkner, Hubley, O'Donnell, Martin, Creighton—5.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Butler, that Henry Gullickson be granted the license applied for. Motion passed, 9 voting for the same and 5 against it. Names being called for, there appeared:

For the Motion.	Against it.
Aldermen Ryan, Campbell, Butler, Mitchell, Lane, Redden, Geldert, Hawkins, Musgrave—9.	Aldermen Creighton, Martin, O'Donnell, Hubley, Faulkner—5.

No. 11—Alderman O'Donnell's notice of re consideration of Application of Nathaniel A. Ross for a liquor license.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that said application be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost.

Moved by Alderman Redden, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the Council adjourned. Motion put and passed.

Council adjourns 12.30 o'clock, a. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10 o'clock.

MARCH 7TH, 1899.

A meeting of the City Council was held this day.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Martin, Geldert and Rogers.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that the time for meeting be extended till 3.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

3.30 o'clock.—Roll called. Present the above named together with Aldermen Faulkner, Redden, Campbell, Mitchell, Menger, Lane, O'Donnell, Ryan, Hubley, McFatridge, Creighton, Hawkins and Mosher.

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

The Minutes of last meeting are read.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Minutes be amended by striking therefrom the adoption of the report of the City Engineer re Completion of Curb South Park Street, and by placing said report of the City Engineer on the Order of the Day. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Lane, that the Minutes as amended be confirmed. Motion passed.

Alderman Menger submits a draft Act relative to the planting of trees, &c.

Alderman Mosher submits a deed of Cabot Street.

Alderman McFatridge, Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

Alderman Geldert, Chairman, submits a report from the Library Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:—

Report City Engineer re Water Extension on Clifton Street.

Letter covering a petition from the Master Tailors and Cutters Association.

Report Charities Committee for February.

Names of Committee on Celebration of 150th Anniversary of Settlement of Halifax.

City Collector's returns of Rates and Water Rates for February.

City Treasurer's Cash Statements "General" and "Water" for February.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Menger, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read report of the Library Committee recommending sundry accounts for payment.

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 7th, 1899.

The Library Committee met this day. Present the Chairman, Aldermen Creighton, Campbell and Rogers.

The accompanying bills, amounting to \$86 59 were presented, and being found correct are recommended for payment.

J. M. GELDERT, JR., *Chairman.*

The following resolution is introduced :—

Resolved, that the foregoing accounts, being found correct, be paid, and that His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the amounts named therein.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Campbell, and passed.

Alderman Geldert has leave to retire.

Read report of the City Prison Committee covering accounts, &c., for the month of February.

CITY PRISON, March 6th, 1899.

At a meeting of the Prison Committee held this day there were present Aldermen Faulkner, Campbell, Lane, Mosher and the Chairman. They had before them a number of accounts, which, on examining, were found to be correct, and are herein submitted, amounting to \$60.33.

W. McFATRIDGE, *Chairman.*

The following Resolution is now introduced.

Resolved, that the Report of the Prison Committee be received and concurred and that the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the amounts named therein.

Moved by Alderman McFatrige, seconded by Alderman Campbell, and passed.

Read report of the Charities Committee re accounts for payment, &c.

HALIFAX, March 1st, 1899.

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following report :

Accounts chargeable to Maintenance to the amount of \$1840.25 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Superintendent's report shows that during the month of February there were 21 persons admitted to the Poor's Asylum, 2 born, 23 discharged and 1 died. Of the number admitted 1 was chargeable to Antigonish Co., 1 to Inverness Co., 7 to the Province and 12 to the City. The total number of inmates February 28th is 410. made up of 255 men, 144 women and 11 children. On the same date one year ago there were 258 men, 138 women and 16 children. A total of 412.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. BUTLER, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced.

Resolved, that the report of the Charities Committee be adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts mentioned therein.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, and passed.

Read report City Engineer re Clifton Street Water Extension.

CLIFTON STREET WATER EXTENSION

HALIFAX, N. S., March 7th, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor :

SIR —In accordance with the accompanying Resolution of Council, I beg to report on petition attached hereto for extension of water on Clifton Street from Cunard Street North.

The supply will be High Service. Length of extension required 440 feet. Estimated cost :—

6 inch pipes	\$264 00
1 6 inch valve.....	20 00
1 6 inch 3 way branch.....	4 70
1 6 inch thimble.....	1 50
100 lbs. lead	3 33
Excavation & pipe laying.....	220 00
6 service pipes	90 00
	\$603 53

Interest on estimated outlay at 5 p. c. \$30 17

This would require a rate of \$5.00 a house to pay the interest; but as three houses have been started since the petition was sent in and I am credibly informed that other houses are to be started as soon as the weather is favorable, I feel justified in departing from the usual custom, and would respectfully recommend that the extension be made, as when the new houses are erected the revenue will more than pay the interest on the outlay.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor nominates as the Committee on the Celebration of the 150th Anniversary of the settlement of Halifax—Aldermen Faulkner, Redden, Lane, Ryan, Rogers and Hawkins.

On Motion of Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Lane, said nominations are concurred in.

Read letter from P. J. Hanifen, Secretary of the Master Tailors and Custom Cutters Association covering a petition from said Association for the enforcement or enactment of an Ordinance or by-law whereby the imposition of a Tax or License shall be imposed upon agents, business men or firms seeking trade in the City of Halifax who are not otherwise taxed or assessed within its limits.

The following resolution is now introduced :—

Resolved, That the Recorder submit an Act to the Legislature enabling the City Council to pass Ordinances to govern and regulate persons coming into the City and soliciting and obtaining orders for the purchase or manufacturing goods, clothing, &c.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell, seconded by Alderman Redden, and passed.

Read Deed from the Halifax Land Company, Limited, to the City of Halifax of Cabot Street.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Creighton, that the same be referred to His Honor the Recorder and the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

Read return of City Collector "Rates" and "Taxes" for February. Filed

Real Cash Statements City Treasurer "General" and "Water" for February. Filed.

Read draft of an Act respecting trees in the streets of the City of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the same be referred to the Chairman of the Committee on Laws and Privileges, the Chairman of the Commissioners of Halifax Common together with His Honor the Recorder to consider, and to prepare an Act in accordance therewith and submit the same to the Legislature. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Redden :

Resolved, That the Recorder be instructed to have the Act empowering the City to light the streets by electricity amended in such a way as to enable the City Council to supply electric lights to the citizens of Halifax and for Commercial lighting.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman McFatrige, that the same be placed on the Order of the Day. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Menger seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 5.10 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

3.10 o'clock.

MARCH 28TH, 1899.

The City Council was summoned to meet this day.

At the above hour there were present Aldermen Mosher, O'Donnell, Martin and Creighton.

Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Martin, that the time for meeting be extended till 3.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

3.30. Roll called—Present the above named, together with His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Faulkner, Musgrave and Hubley.

There not being a quorum to do business, the Council stands adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

APRIL 11TH, 1899.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present, His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Faulkner, Geldert, Campbell, Redden, Butler, Menger, O'Donnell, Ryan, Hubley, McFatrige, Rogers, Martin, Creighton, Hawkins and Mosher.

The Council was summoned to appoint Presiding Officers for the ensuing civic election, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

The Minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Alderman Butler, Chairman, submits a report from the Charities Committee.

Alderman Campbell, Chairman, submits a report from the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Alderman Faulkner, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Public Accounts.

Alderman McFatrige, Chairman, submits a report from the City Prison Committee.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:—

Report City Engineer re Tenders for Supplies.

Report Chief License Inspector re Applications for Wholesale Liquor Licenses.

Petition for the abatement of an alleged nuisance caused by the Boiler Shop of Messrs. Davidson & Co.

Letter J. T. Bulmer re payment of allowance to Mrs. Lewin.

Letter C. Hudson Smith re Ward House, Young Avenue.

Letter from Harrington, Chisholm and Fullerton re Ferry Accommodation on the Halifax side of the Harbor.

Petition of Charles Ward and others for a Sewer on Macara Street.

Letter from City Treasurer in re retiring \$20,000 Exhibition Building Loan.

Report Chief License Inspector in re Suit the Queen vs Fred A. Kaizer.

Estimates for Water service, 1899-1900.

City Treasurer's Cash Statements "General" and "Water" for the months of March and February.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read report of Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners recommending sundry accounts for payment.

COMMITTEE ROOM, 11th April, 1899.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:—

Gentlemen,—The Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners beg leave to submit that they have examined the accompanying list of accounts and recommend the same for payment.—Amount, \$913.67

D. H. CAMPBELL, *Chairman.*

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS.

S. Cunard & Co., Coal to 28th March	\$51 61
John O'Connell, Horse shoeing, for Jan., \$7.01; Feb., \$5.05; March, \$5.83	17 89
Wm. Robertson & Son, Hardware, Feb. \$7 61; March, \$16.59;	24 20
T. C. Allen & Co., Stationery,	2 50
Neil Fox, Harness Work, Feby., \$.65; March, \$4 15;	4 80
Canada Gen. Electric Co., \$7.34, \$14.69, 34,	22 37
A. Lamphier, Carriage work,	19 10
Daniel McLeod, Horse shoeing for March	10 74
Poor s Asylum, Kindling Wood	1 00
Farquhar Bros., Plumbing and Tinsmith Work	90 63
Wm. Jakeman & Son, Veterinary Services	224 50
John F. Kelly, Harness Work	18 60
Graham & Pickles, Electric Beils	26 05
Simpson Bros., Wax	48
John Tobin & Co., Soda, \$4.50 & \$2.25	6 75
Edes Manufacturing Co., Zinacs	51 78
A. & W. MacKinlay, Almanac	35
Halifax Electric Tram Co., Lighting No. 7 house, \$9.33; & West St., \$4.50, for Feby.,	13 83
John MacInnes & Son, Lumber	32 66
W. H. Drake, Potatoes	1 20
John E. Corbin, Timber	17 00
O'Brien & Mont, Iron & Wood Work	12 70
W. & C. Silver, Linoleum, &c., for West St. House	41 95
George Thompson, Brooms	3 25
Imperial Oil Co., Oil	8 83
David Roche, Painting & Glazing, \$4.50, \$2.50, \$48.00	55 00
W. W. Howell & Co., \$39.42, \$2.00	41 42
M. S. Brown & Co., Badges, \$56.25	
do do \$5.75	62 00
Hx Elect. Tram. Co., No. 7 house, \$9.33, West St., \$5.89, March ..	15 22
Can. Gen. Elec. Co.,	1 38
Brander, Morris & Co.,	25 48
Max Ungar, Laundry	7 85
W. J. Power, Quilts	8 40
	\$ 913 67

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, that the report of the Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commissioners recommending the payment of accounts amounting to \$913.67 be adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the several accounts therein named.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, and passed.

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of March.

HALIFAX, April 5th, 1899.

The Charities Committee met this day, and beg to submit the following report:—

Accounts chargeable to Maintenance to the amount of \$2,670.32 were examined, found correct and recommended to be paid.

The Superintendent's report for March showed that there had been 13 persons admitted to the Poor's Asylum, 37 discharged and 4 died. The number of inmates to March 31st was 383, made up of 235 men, 140 women, and 8 children.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. BUTLER, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced :—

Resolved, That the report of the Charities Committee be adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants in payment of the accounts mentioned therein.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman McFtridge and passed.

Read Report of the Committee on Public Accounts, covering accounts for payment :

COMMITTEE ROOM, CITY HALL, March 28th, 1899.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :—

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Public Accounts beg to report that they have examined the following accounts, all of which, having been certified and found correct, are recommended for payment, viz :—

Blackadar Bros., Advertising, \$10.62; Morning Chronicle, subscriptions for City Clerk and Collector, 1898, \$12.00; T. C. Allen & Co., Printing, &c.: City Assessor, August, \$16.00; City Collector, Oct. & Nov., \$5.85; City Clerk, do, \$17.60—\$39.45; A. & W. MacKinlay, Stationery, &c.: City Medical Officer, Nov. 47c.; City Clerk, Dec. \$3.70; City Treasurer, Dec., 7c.; City Collector, Dec., \$22.33; City Police Dept., Dec., \$3.19; City Assessor, Dec., \$22.30; City Clerk, Jany., \$4.25; City Recorder, Jany., \$2.00; City Treasurer, Jany., \$9.32; City Collector, Jany., \$6.86; City Assessor, Jany., \$4.92; City Police Dept. Jany., \$2.35; City Clerk, Feby., \$17.57; City Treasurer, Feby., \$5.23; City Collector, Feby., \$42.40; City Chief of Police, Feby., 47c.; Mayor, Jany., \$4.90. Total, \$214.40.

The following resolution, viz :—

Resolved, that the report of the Committee on Public Accounts be adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the accounts referred to therein, amounting to \$214.40.

G. E. FAULKNER, *Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hubley, and passed.

Read City Engineer's report re Tenders for Supplies :

TENDERS FOR SUPPLIES.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 28th, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—I beg to submit the following report on tenders opened by Your Worship for supplies for this Department during the year 1899-1900 :—

Sand and Gravel.

	Sand.	Gravel.
James Freda.....	\$3 25.	\$3 50
William D. Graves.....	\$3 00.	\$3 00.

I beg to recommend the acceptance of the tender of William D. Graves, that being the lowest.

Horses and Driver for Street Sprinkler.

George Harvey, ..	\$2.50 per day
William Parsons, Jr.....	\$2.60 per day
James Nolen.....	\$3.10 per day

R. Bauld & Co \$3.50 per day
 Stanhope Bros \$4 00 per day

I beg to recommend the acceptance of George Harvey's Tender, that being the lowest.

House, Young Avenue.

Mary F. Ward \$175 00

I beg to recommend the acceptance of this tender.

Bricks.

Stairs, Son & Morrow \$9.70 at Richmond
 " " " \$9.90 at Cotton Factory

Only one tender has been received for Bricks, and the price is higher than usual. As we have some bricks on hand, I would recommend that this tender be not accepted, but that tenders be again invited later.

Castings.

James Hillis \$2.25 \$2.00 \$1.25
 J. A. Thompson \$2.00 \$2.50 \$2.50

I beg to recommend the acceptance of James Hillis' tender, that being the lowest.

Drain Pipe.

The accompanying comparison of tenders shows James Prescott to be the lowest. He does not tender for 12x6 junctions; but they can be purchased at the retail price in the City, and his tender will still be considerably lower than the others. I would therefore recommend that his tender be accepted.

Comparison of Tenders for Drain Pipe.

	James Prescott.		Brookfield Bros.		F. Hyde & Co.		T. A. S. DeWolfe & Son.	
	Price.	Amt.	Price.	Amt.	Price.	Amt.	Price.	Amt.
1000-6 straig't pipe	.08	\$80.00	.10	\$100.00	.10	\$100.00	.11½	\$115.00
1000-9 " "	.15	150.00	.17½	177.50	.16	160.00	.17	170.00
50 6 Bends	.30	15.00	.30	15.00	.27	13.50	.48	24.00
250-6 Slants	.15	37.50	.18	45.00	.25	62.50	.35	87.50
50-6x6 Y's	.30	15.00	.54	27.00	.45	22.50	.80	40.00
50-9x6 Y's	.60	30.00	.85	42.50	.75	37.50	1 10	55.00
20-9x6 T's	.60	12.00	.85	17.00	.75	15.00	1.10	22.00
100-6x4 Y's	.30	30.00	.53	53.00	.45	45.00	.80	80.00
100-6x4 T's	.30	30.00	.53	53.00	.45	45.00	.80	80.00
10-4x4 Y's	.20	2.00	.35	3 50	.30	3.00	.50	5.00
100-4 straight	.06	6.00	.07½	7.50	.06	6.00	.09	9.00
25-12x6 Y's			1.75	43.75	1.10	27.50	1.60	40.00
Totals		\$407.50		\$584.75		\$537.50		\$727.50

Hardware.

The accompanying comparison of Tenders shows Black Bro & Co.'s to be the lowest. I would recommend that their tender be accepted.

Comparison of Tenders for Hardware.

Material.	Quantity.	Stairs Son & Morrow.		Black Bros. & Co.		H. H. Fuller & Co.	
		Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.	Price.	Amount.
Lead Pipe	19538 lbs	\$5.33 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$1042.35	5.33 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$1042.35	5.33 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$1042.35
Pickaxes	168 "	.07 $\frac{1}{2}$	12.60	.04	6.72	.05	8.40
Refined Iron	908	2.59	22.70	1.50	13.62	1.60	14.53
Shovels, Elewell's,	8 doz.	2.60	20.80	2.25	18.00	2.30	18.40
Shovels, N. S.,	8 "	2.50	20.00	2.25	18.00	2.30	18.40
Dynamite	4800 lbs	.22	1056.00	.22 $\frac{1}{2}$	1080.00	.25	1200.00
Electric Fuses	11600 "	0.24-10	278.40	.02 $\frac{1}{2}$	290.00	.02 $\frac{3}{4}$	275.50
Gasket	104 lbs	.09	9.36	.08 $\frac{1}{2}$	8.84	.06 $\frac{1}{2}$	6.76
Kerosene Oil	273 gal.	.20	54.60	.18 $\frac{1}{2}$	50.51	.19 $\frac{1}{2}$	53.24
Sweet Oil	3 gal.	1.00	3.00	.70	2.10	.70	2.10
Cut Nails	3 kegs	2.00	6.00	2.00	6.00	1.75	5.25
Wrapping Paper	800 lbs	.02 $\frac{1}{2}$	20.00	.02 $\frac{1}{2}$	20.00	.03	24.00
Lanterns	1 $\frac{1}{2}$ doz	3.85	5.13	3.75	5.00	3.60	4.80
Tapes, 66	1	1.75	1.75	1.65	1.65	1.70	1.70
" 100	1	2.50	2.50	2.25	2.25	2.40	2.40
" Steel 100,	3	10.10	30.00	6.25	18.75	6.50	19.50
Cod Lines	1 doz	.20	2.40	.15	1.80	.15	1.80
Soft Soap	112 lbs	.65	5.60	.05	5.60	.05	5.60
Rubber Packing	75 lbs	.20	15.00	.15	11.25	.15	11.25
Black Japan	15 gal.	.55	8.25	.45	6.75	.40	6.00
Totals			\$2616.44		\$2609.19		\$2721.98

Removal of Ashes and Garbage.

	One year	Three years.	Five years.
Robinson Bros.....	\$64.00	\$64.00	\$64.00
James Nolen.....	55.00	50.00	50.00
David Elliot.....	77.90	70.00	64.90
J. N. McGrath & Co.....	60.00	59.00	58.00
Robert Creer.....	75.00	67.70	64.50
Howard Redmond.....	53.00	59.00	64.00
Stanhope Bros.....	55.00	52.00	50.00

The lowest tender for one year is Howard Redmond at \$53.00. The lowest tender for three years is James Nolen at \$50.00. A saving of nearly \$100.00 a year would be made by accepting the latter, and I would recommend that the tender of James Nolen at \$50.00 for three years be accepted.

Comparison of Tenders for Cement.

Bidder's Name	Brand	Weight per bbl.		Price	Equivalent price for 350 lbs. net bbl.
		Gross lbs.	Net lbs.		
Brookfield Bros.	Burham	425	400	\$2.60 $\frac{1}{2}$	\$2.2815
St. Lawrence Portland Cement Co	Citadel	350	325	2.15	2.3153
Brookfield Bros	White Bros.	425	400	2.68 $\frac{1}{2}$	2.3456
H. H. Fuller & Co	Star	350	325	2.25	2.4230
" "	K. B. S.	375	350	2.43	2.43

T. A. S DeWolf & Son	White Bros.	400	375	2 61	2 4360
F. Hyde & Co	Burham	375	350	2.45	2.45
" "	K. B. S.	375	350	2.48	2.48
" "	White Bros	375	350	2.48	2.48
H. H. Fuller & Co.	"	375	350	2.48	2.48
Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow	Peacock	375	350	2.48	2.48
" " "	White Bros	375	350	2 65	2.65

The above comparison of tenders shows that the lowest price is that of Brookfield Bros. for Burham Cement, \$2 28, and Citadel Cement, \$2.31, for which Brookfield Bros. are also Agents.

Burham Cement has not tested up to the specifications, some samples being very coarse. I would therefore recommend that the tender for Citadel Cement be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

On motion said report is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1, re Sand and Gravel. Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that this Clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 2, re Horses and Drivers, for Street Sprinkler. Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that said Clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 3, re House, Young Avenue. Also read a letter from C. Hudson Smith relative to tenders for said house. Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hubley that said Clause 3 be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 4, re Bricks. Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Butler, that this Clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 5, re Castings. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that Clause 5 be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 6, re Drain Pipe. Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Creighton, that said Clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 7, re Hardware. Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 8, re Removal of Ashes and Garbage. Moved by Alderman O'Donnell, seconded by Alderman Martin, that this clause be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Clause 9, re Cement. Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that Clause 9 be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Prison Committee for the month of March:

CITY PRISON, April 3rd, 1899.

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this date there were present Alderman Campbell, and the Chairman.

They had before them a number of accounts, which, on examining, were found to be correct and are herein submitted, amounting to \$118.04.

WM. MCFATRIDGE, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the report of the City Prison Committee be received and concurred in and that the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the amount named therein.

Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Campbell and passed.

Read letter from the Chief License Inspector submitting for the consideration of the Council certain applications for license to sell intoxicating liquors by wholesale. Placed on Order Paper.

Read petition of certain residents of the north end of Creighton Street against the operation of the boiler shop of Davidson & Co. at the north end of Maynard Street.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Martin, that said petition be referred to the Department of City Works, for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from J. T. Bulmer, asking that the balance of the money voted to Mrs. Lewin by the City Council be paid her.

Moved by Alderman Hubley, seconded by Alderman Mosher, that the matter be referred to His Worship the Mayor and His Honor the Recorder for report at next meeting of the Council as to whether or not this Council can legally pay said money to Mrs. Lewin. Motion passed.

Read letters (2) from Harrington, Chisholm & Fullerton in re the City concurring in the sale by Messrs. Stayner to the Dartmouth Ferry Commission of the water property immediately North of the present Ferry Dock.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Hubley, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges together with His Honor the Recorder for report. Motion passed.

Read petition of Charles Ward et al for Sewerage extension on Macara Street. Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Menger, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from the City Treasurer in re Retiring Exhibition Building Loan of \$20,000.

April 7th, 1899.

To His Worship the Mayor and City Council:—

Gentlemen,—I beg to call your attention to the fact that twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) Exhibition Building Loan will fall due on 9th May prox.

I would respectfully recommend that the bonds be retired out of money now in hand belonging to the Sinking Fund under Chap. 27 of the Act of 1896, which Fund at present amounts to \$28,629.96.

Your obedient servant,

W. L. BROWN, City Treasurer.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Menger, that the recommendation contained in said letter be concurred in. Motion passed.

Read letter from the Chief License Inspector in re appealing from the decision of the Judge of the County Court in the matter of the

Queen vs. Frederick A. Kaizer, charged with selling liquor by wholesale without a license.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 7th, 1899.

To His Worship the Mayor and Council:

Gentlemen,—In the case of Queen vs. Kaizer a conviction was obtained in the Magistrate's Court against Frederick A. Kaizer for violation of the Liquor License Act on the charge of selling Liquor by Wholesale without a License. The Defendant appealed to the County Court, and the conviction has been set aside. As the decision is likely to affect the revenue obtained from wholesale licenses, I would suggest to Your Honourable Council that if His Honor the Recorder thinks advisable that an appeal from the decision be taken to the Supreme Court.

Your obedient servant,

H. HAVELOCK BANKS, Chief License Inspector.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that said matter be referred to His Worship the Mayor and His Honor the Recorder to deal with. Motion passed.

Read letter from W. F. Reilly, Clerk of Works, covering estimate for water service for the year 1899-1900.

HALIFAX, N. S., April 6th, 1899.

To His Worship the Mayor:

Sir,—I have the honor to present for your information and action the Estimates for Water Service for year 1899-1900.

Yours respectfully,

WM. F. REILLY, Clerk of Works.

WATER ESTIMATES.

Interest	\$49,072
Maintenance	20,000
Sinking Fund	2,000
Short Collection	1,000
	<u>\$72,072</u>
Less.	
Income for Special and Meter Rates	\$41,672
	<u>\$30,400</u>
$\frac{3}{8}$ of \$30,400	\$11,400
$\frac{5}{8}$ of \$30,400	\$19,000
	<u>—————\$30,400</u>
\$16,000,000 at 12c. per \$100	\$19,200
\$8,000,000 at 14c. " "	\$11,200
	<u>—————\$30,400</u>

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Butler, that the same be adopted. Motion passed.

Read Cash Statements City Treasurer for the months of February and March. Filed.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Creighton, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Mosher to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced:—

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to provide two polling booths in each Ward for the accommodation of the Electors at the election for Mayor and Aldermen to be held the 26th April, inst., and in alphabetical order equally divide between the two booths of each ward the names on the register of voters

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Creighton, and passed.

The Council now proceed to appoint the Presiding Officers for the ensuing civic election.

Moved by Alderman Tutler, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that Alderman Geldert and Alderman Musgrave be the Presiding Officers for Ward No. One. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Redden, that Alderman Butler and George McLellan, Esq., be the Presiding Officers for Ward No. Two. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that J. R. Cragg and William Crowe, Esq., be the Presiding Officers for Ward No. Three. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Butler, that Alderman Hubley and Alderman Ryan be the Presiding Officers for Ward No. Four. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that A. B. Crosby and W. E. Thompson, Esqrs., be the Presiding Officers for Ward No. Five. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Creighton, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that Alderman Hawkins and Alderman Mosher be the Presiding Officers for Ward No. Six. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Redden, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 9.55 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

8.10 o'clock.

APRIL 27TH, 1899.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening.

At the above hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Aldermen Creighton, Rogers, Faulkner and O'Donnell.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the time for meeting be extended till 8.30 o'clock. Motion passed.

8.30 Roll called. Present the above named, together with Aldermen Geldert, Campbell, Butler, Mitchell, Menger, Lane, Hubley, McFatrige, Martin, Hawkins and Mosher.

The Council was summoned to receive the returns of the civic elections, to proceed with business standing over and the transaction of other business.

The Minutes of last meeting are read and confirmed.

Alderman Menger, Acting Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Tenders.

Alderman Butler, Chairman, submits a report from the Committee on Charities.

His Worship the Mayor submits the following papers:

The City Clerk's returns of the Election for Mayor and Aldermen.

Five reports from the City Engineer, viz:

Re Lawrence Street Sewer.

“ North Street Sewer.

“ Water Extension Laundry Street.

“ Edward Street Sewer.

“ Alleged Trespass at Esplanade.

Letter from the City Clerk relative to the present system of conducting Civic Elections.

Application of James Jackson for the position of Lumber Surveyor.

Petition of W. H. Cleverdon and J. Watson Fraser for Sewerage and Water Extension on Henry Street.

Letter from the City Auditor re Publication of Annual Report 1898.

Petition of Edward Meagher for Water Extension LeMarchant Street.

Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers submitted. Motion passed.

Read report of City Clerk covering the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several Polling Booths at the Election for Mayor, held 26th April inst., showing James T. Hamilton to have received 2003

votes, and Alexander Stephen 1237 votes—Majority in favor of James T. Hamilton, 766.

The City Clerk declares James T. Hamilton duly elected Mayor of the City of Halifax for the civic year 1899-1900.

Read return of the City Clerk covering the nomination papers of George E. Faulkner for the office of Alderman for Ward No. One, he being the only candidate for said office.

His Worship the Mayor declares George E. Faulkner to be duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read return of the City Clerk, covering the nomination papers of D. H. Campbell for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Two, he being the only candidate for said office.

His Worship the Mayor declares D. H. Campbell duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read report of the City Clerk, covering the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several polling booths for the election of an Alderman for Ward No. Three, showing Thomas Mitchell to have received 326 votes and James Halliday to have received 200 votes. Majority in favor of Thomas Mitchell, 126.

His Worship the Mayor declares Thomas Mitchell to be duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read report of the City Clerk covering the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several polling booths for the election of an Alderman for Ward No. Four, showing Edward W. O'Donnell to have received 265 votes, and Charles C. Starr to have received 220 votes—Majority for Edward W. O'Donnell 45.

His Worship the Mayor declares Edward W. O'Donnell duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read report of City Clerk covering the returns of the Presiding Officers at the several Polling Booths for the election of an Alderman for Ward No. Five, showing that Murdoch Chisholm received 470 votes and William McFatridge 339 votes—Majority for Murdoch Chisholm 131.

His Worship the Mayor declares Murdoch Chisholm duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Read return of the City Clerk covering the nomination papers of Isaac Creighton for the office of Alderman for Ward No. Six, he being the only candidate nominated for said office.

His Worship the Mayor declares Isaac Creighton duly elected an Alderman of the City of Halifax.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that the Order of the Day be suspended to allow Alderman Geldert to introduce a resolution. Motion passed.

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, that the City Clerk be and he is hereby directed to inform the Hon. the Provincial Secretary of the Election of James T. Hamilton Esq., to the office of Mayor of the City of Halifax, and to request that His Honor the Lieutenant Governor may be pleased to name the time and place when and where he will be pleased to administer the oaths of office to the Mayor elect.

Moved by Alderman Geldert, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, and passed.

Read report City Engineer re Lawrence Street Sewer. Moved by Alderman Hawkins, seconded by Alderman O'Donnell that said report be adopted. Objected to and placed on Order Paper.

Read City Engineer's report re North Street sewer.

NORTH STREET SEWER.

April 27th, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—I beg to report on the accompanying petition from property owners on North Street.

The petitioners ask for a sewer from Robie Street to Oxford Street. That portion from Windsor Street to Oxford Street will be a different system from that east of Windsor Street, and I am not in a position to report on it to-day. North Street from Windsor Street to Robie Street, will drain to Clifton Street and down Clifton Street to Willow Street. The estimated cost to drain the houses already erected is \$5,250.00 Estimated sewer assessment, \$2,200. Clifton Street is private property and the grading is not yet completed, but will be finished in a short time.

I would recommend the construction of a sewer on Clifton Street, between Willow Street and North Street, and on North Street, from Robie Street to Gladstone Street as soon as the grading in Clifton Street is completed.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of the City Engineer re Water Extension Laundry Street.

WATER EXTENSION LAUNDRY STREET

April 27th, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the petition attached hereto from owners of property in the street running between Pleasant Street and Owen Street. This street has not been properly laid out. It is not only narrow and crooked, but has a jog in the middle of it, and could never be taken over by the City as it is at present. However, water pipe has been laid in the east end of it, and a dead end made in the middle of the block.

pipe required 325 feet. Estimated cost: The district is low service. Length of

Pipe	\$195 00
Excavation and pipe laying	292 50
1 reducer, 6 to 4 inch	3 10
Lead and paint	1 50
6 service pipes	108 00

————— \$600 10

The interest on the estimated outlay at 5 per cent. is \$30.00; estimated revenue from six houses, \$24.00. The revenue is not equal to the interest.

I would recommend that the extension be made, provided the petitioners agree to pay a special rate, and that the rate be fixed for the present at five dollars. (\$5.00)

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read City Engineer's report re Edward Street Sewer.

EDWARD STREET SEWER

April 27th, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—In accordance with the accompanying resolution of Council, I beg to report on the petition attached hereto from property owners on Edward Street between Jubilee Road and Coburg Road.

This street is private property. It would be necessary in order to drain it to carry the outlet through a street running east to Robie Street, which we have named in our Official Plan now being prepared, Bliss Street. The estimated cost of the work is \$7,500.00; estimated sewer assessment, \$2,600.00. A portion of the ground in the neighbourhood is low and swampy and is in need of drainage. A portion of the streets however, have not been brought to grade, and I would recommend that a sewer be constructed in Bliss Street and Edward Street between Coburg Road and Jubilee Road as soon as the streets are properly graded.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read City Engineer's report on Alleged Trespass at Esplanade.

ALLEGED TRESPASS AT ESPLANADE.

April 27th, 1899

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—I beg to submit herewith two letters from Mr. John Pugh in reference to narrow strip of land on the north side of the Esplanade, which he claims to be his property.

When the Esplanade was fenced, we erected the fence in front of the whole property, and received notice from Mr. Pugh's solicitors that he owned a small strip on the north side. I have been unable to get at the exact facts in connection with this matter, and Mr. Pugh is anxious to have it settled. In his last letter he asks nine hundred dollars (\$900.00) for the property.

I would recommend that the matter be referred to the Commissioners of Common and His Honor the Recorder, to ascertain Mr. Pugh's rights and recommend the best course to pursue in the matter.

Respectfully submitted,

F. W. W. DOANE, *City Engineer.*

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Menger, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Read report of the Committee on Charities for the month of April.

April 27th, 1899.

The Charities Committee met this day, and beg to submit the following report:

Accounts chargeable to Maintenance to the amount of \$2202.18 were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Superintendent's report for April showed that during the month there had been 11 persons admitted to the Poor's Asylum, 45 discharged, 2 born and 3 died. Of the number admitted, six were chargeable to the Province and the remainder to the City. At this date there are 344 inmates, made up of 201 men, 135 women and 8 children.

W. J. BUTLER, *Chairman.*

The following resolution is now introduced:

Resolved, that the report of the Charities Committee be adopted and His Worship the Mayor be authorized to sign warrants for the payment of the Accounts mentioned therein.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Hubley, and passed.

Read application of James Jackson for the position of Lumber Surveyor.

Moved by Alderman Mosher, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that James Jackson be appointed a Lumber Surveyor of the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

Read petition of W. H. Cleverdon and J. Watson Fraser for Sewerage and Water Extension on Henry Street.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Hawkins, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for Report. Motion passed.

Read petition of Edward Meagher for Water Extension Le-Marchant Street.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Geldert, that the same be referred to the Department of City Works for report. Motion passed.

Read letter from the City Auditor, re Publication of Annual Report 1898.

OFFICE OF CITY AUDITOR, Halifax, N. S., 27th April, 1899.

His Worship the Mayor :

Sir,—I have the honor to inform Your Worship that the Annual Reports for the civic year 1898 have been received from the printers, making a very good appearance, and are now ready for distribution.

In addition to the usual list of gentlemen who have served as Mayors, it will be noticed that the report for 1898 contains a table giving the name of every citizen who has served as Councillor or Alderman at any time from the incorporation of the City, in 1841, to the present date. This document, which involved no small amount of labor, has been very carefully prepared by the Assistant Clerk, Mr. F. Monaghan, and I am glad to know that it has given a great satisfaction.

J. A. BELL, *City Auditor.*

Filed.

Read letter from the City Clerk in re changing the present method of conducting the civic elections.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Menger, that the same be referred to the Committee on Laws and Privileges for report. Motion passed.

Read report of Committee on Tenders re Tenders for Advertising, Printing, Blank Books and Stationery.

April 17th, 1899.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members City Council :

Gentlemen,—The Committee on Tenders beg to report that at a meeting held this afternoon, present Aldermen Redden, (Chairman,) Lane, Ryan, Martin and Menger, they opened tenders for advertising, printing, stationery and blank books.

Tenders were received as follows:

Advertising—"Morning Herald" and "Acadian Recorder."

Printing—Blackadar Bros., and T. C. Allen & Co.

Stationery—T. C. Allen & Co., and A. & W. MacKinlay.

Blank Books—A. & W. MacKinlay W. E. Hebb, and T. C. Allen & Co.

Your Committee recommend that the following tenders being the lowest in each case, be accepted:

Advertising—"Morning Herald" and "Acadian Recorder."

Printing—T. C. Allen & Co.

Stationery—A. & W. MacKinlay.

Blank Books—T. C. Allen & Co.

J. MENDER, *Act. Chairman.*

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Lane, that said report be adopted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that the Order of the Day be suspended to take up No. 26. Motion passed.

Read No. 26, viz: Report License Inspector covering Applications for Wholesale and Brewers' Licenses, 1899-1900.

Moved by Alderman McFatridge, seconded by Alderman Rogers, that the several licenses referred to in the Inspector's report be granted. Motion passed.

Alderman Hubley gives notice of reconsideration of the license of John Mullane.

Moved by Alderman Rogers, seconded by Alderman Butler, that No. 21, viz: "Alderman Butler's notice of motion to obtain authority to borrow \$100,000 for better accommodation of the City's Poor" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Campbell, that No. 22, viz: "Report City Engineer re Widening Jacob Street" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman McFatridge, that No. 20, viz: "Alderman Geldert's notice of motion in re application from City Officials for increase of salary" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion put and lost, 7 voting for the same and 8 against it.

Names being called for there appeared:

For the Motion.

Aldermen Faulkner, Campbell,
Lane, Mitchell,
O'Donnell, McFatridge,
Martin—7.

Against it.

Aldermen Geldert, Menger,
Butler, Hawkins,
Hubley, Rogers,
Creighton, Mosher—8.

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Faulkner, that No. 25, viz: "Resolution to obtain authority for the City to supply electricity to the citizens for lighting and for commercial purposes" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that No. 7, viz: "Alderman Hawkins' notice of motion to rescind resolution passed 25th February, 1898, reducing rental of Ferry Dock" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Menger, that No. 1, viz: "Award of Arbitrators re Expropriation of property of B. H. Collins for the extension of Inglis Street" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Campbell, seconded by Alderman Menger, that No. 6, viz: "Opinion of His Honor the Recorder re Dry Dock Assessment" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that that portion of No. 17, viz: "Letter of His Honor the Recorder, asking to be relieved from serving as a Commissioner of Cabs and also from serving as a Police Commissioner," be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Butler, seconded by Alderman Hubble, that the following items be struck from the Order Paper, viz: No. 5, "Petition of Margaret E. Wood re Wool Pulling Establishment Fenwick Street.

No. 9. Report City Engineer re lines and grades Lockman Street and,

No. 10, viz: Petitions against tramway extension on North, Gottingen and Brunswick Streets. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Martin, seconded by Alderman McFtridge, that No. 12, viz: "Notice of motion of Alderman Musgrave relative to the Weighers and Measurers of Coal, and also of Salt and Grain" be struck from the Order Paper. Motion passed.

Read address by His Worship the Mayor, on the expiration of his term of office.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, Halifax, N. S., April 27th, 1899.

The Deputy-Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen.—Two years ago I was honored by the citizens of Halifax by election to preside over your body, after a contest with one who had been a co-representative with you for nine years. Since then I have been assured time and again of your hearty co-operation with me in the City's interest, and the best of feeling has prevailed between us. The frequent assurances of your esteem and co-operation in anything I have endeavoured to do to effect the City's welfare have been a matter of pleasure to me, and I only trust that the same degree of support and esteem will be given my successor, so that the best interests of the City may be conserved.

To review the work accomplished during the past two years would be superfluous at the present; but permit me to make a few passing references to some of the duties which my position as Mayor and yours as Councillors have entailed upon us. That most eventful celebration of the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Victoria took place in my first year of office, and the visit of Her Majesty's representatives, the Earl and Countess of Aberdeen, to our City, made the event of even more moment and interest. The duties in connection with this and with the visits of other distinguished visitors at different times, cast upon your Mayor and yourselves a vast amount of extra effort, which I think I may say we all cheerfully endeavored to undertake.

The erection of the new Exhibition Buildings and the opening of the first Provincial Exhibition under changed management, entailed upon some of us the loss of considerable time and labor. Their successful fruition is, however, our best reward.

The Committee which I appointed after assuming office, have, in conjunction with a Committee from the Board of Trade, acted unitedly in the best interests of the City and Port, and we can have this assurance, that their efforts have not been in vain. The securing of through freight rates from Halifax to the West, equal to those from other ports, the general improvement of the I. C. R. rolling stock, and the freight and railway accommodation, all are the results of efforts put forth by this Committee.

The granting of \$50,000 towards the erection of an Elevator commensurate with the size and growing trade of our Port will also largely aid in developing the business passing through our hands. When it is considered that the City of St. John has expended over a million dollars on improving its port, deepening the channel, building elevators and wharves' the grant of \$50,000 seems paltry indeed.

The appointment of this Commercial Committee has thus been abundantly justified, and the efforts it has used to benefit Halifax have been entirely satisfactory, and, as Chairman, I can take pride in the work accomplished.

As you are well aware, I have just emerged from a contest, the results of which have not been as satisfactory as I naturally might have desired. It will enable me, however, to attend more assiduously to my business interests, a course which some time ago I felt would be more advantageous to me personally, and a course which I seriously meditated upon taking of my own

accord. Being prevailed upon by friends to offer myself for re-election, I acceded to their request, with the result that at this meeting of Council I am called upon to deliver my farewell message to you, and leave to my elected successor the task of presiding over your deliberations. I may mention that the principal causes of my defeat were the unfortunate increase in the rate of taxation to \$1.72 and the necessity for the construction of the Young Avenue sewer. For neither of these, as you well know, can I be held responsible; but I have nevertheless been called upon to submit to the changed condition of things.

While I have occupied the Mayor's chair my one desire has been to do all in my power to advance the City's interest, to uphold the dignity of the position whenever called upon, and to be accessible at all times and seasons to the members of Council and electors generally, whatever their condition in life may have been, so that their views would always receive full and fair consideration. I now retire from this chair feeling that I have done my duty to the best of my ability, and with the assurance of your esteem and good wishes, as well as that of all the civic officials both inside and outside the City Hall.

I remain, Yours faithfully,

ALEX. STEPHEN, Mayor.

Moved by Alderman Faulkner, seconded by Alderman Menger, that said address be spread in the Minutes of the Council.

Said motion is put by Deputy-Mayor Lane and passed.

The following resolution is now introduced by leave of Council:

Resolved, that this Council desires to place on record its sense of the uniformly pleasant relations which have existed between His Worship Mayor Stephen and the Members of the Council, and its appreciation of the time and attention which he has at all times bestowed upon all matters relating to the welfare and prosperity of the City.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Faulkner.

Said motion is now put by Deputy Mayor Lane and passed.

Moved by Alderman Menger, seconded by Alderman Mitchell, that the Council adjourn. Motion passed.

Council adjourns 9.40 o'clock.