#### <u>AFTERNOON</u> SESSION

5.10 o'clock, Council Chamber, City Hall, May 21st, 1929

A meeting of the City Council was held this afternoon. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Mitchell, Dickie, Stech, Smith, Donovan, Redmond, McDuff, Corbin, McDonald, O'Toole, Mullane, Robertson, Smeltzer and Adams:

The meeting was called specially to deal with the appointment of a Committee on Works as provided for by Sec. 108 of the City Charter.

## COMMITTEE ON WORKS

Read opinion of the City Solicitor relating to the composition of the Committee on Works:-

> Office of City Solicitor, Halifax, N.S.May 21,1929

His Worship the Mayor, City Hall.

Sir:-

In reply to your inquiry of to-day, I beg to say that the Section of the Charter relating to the Committee on Works is in the amendment of 1924, chapter 60, Section 34 which provides:-

"34 Section 108 is repealed, and the

following substituted therefor;

108 The Council shall annually appoint as soon after the ordinary annual elections as is convenient, the following Standing Committees and such other Special Committees as it from time to time deems necessary;

(1) The Committee on City Works- to consist of one Alderman from each Ward and the Mayor, who shall be Chairman"

As the Committee as it is now constituted has no representative for Ward 3, it is necessary that this irregularity should be corrected as soon as possible.

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Yours truly, F.H. Bell, CITY SOLICITOR.

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Alderman Dickie, one of the members appointed to this Committee at last meeting, tendered his resignation and nominated Alderman Cragg as representative from Ward 3 on the Committee. T here being no other nominations His Worship the Mayor declared Alderman Cragg duly appointed a member of the Committee on Works.

The Committee consisting of His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, Aldermen Mitchell, Donovan Cragg, Corbin, O'Toole and Adams is approved.

#### RESIGNATION ALDERMAN McDUFF

CHAIRMAN CITY PRISON COMMITTEE

Read resignation of Alderman

McDuff as Chairman of the City Prison Committee:

Halifax, N.S.May 17th, 1929

H.S.Rhind, Esq., City Clerk, Halifax, N.S.

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Dear Mr.Rhind:-

I notice by the Press this morning that during my absence in the anti-room last evening I was appointed Chairman of the Prison<sup>1</sup> Committee.

I regret to say that I cannot acquiesce in the honor thus conferred and herewith tender my resignation as Chairman of said Committee

> Yours very sincerely J.Leslie McDuff.

FILED.

## POINT PLEASANT PARK ACCOUNT

Read report of the Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park recommending for payment

an account of Arthur Purcell for one horse at \$80.00:

Halifax, N.S. May 21st

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park held this day the attached

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#### May 21st 1929

account of Mr. Arthur Purcell for one horse \$50.00 was passed as correct and recommended for payment, said amount to be taken from the appropriation of 1928-29.

> Respectfully submitted L.A.Gastonguay, Vice Chairman

Moved by Alderman Dickie seconded

by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted

and account paid. Motion passed.

## SCHOOL BOARD FUNDS-SIR CHARLES TUPPER SCHOOL

Read report of the City Auditor

recommending the payment of a requisition from the School Board for \$4,301.20 for construction items on account of Sir Charles Tupper School:

> City Auditor's Office, Halifax, N.S., May 20th, 1929

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

Gentlemen:-

I am in receipt of a requisition from the Secretary of the Board of School Commissioners, requesting the City's cheque for \$4,301.20 for construction items on account of the Sir Sharles Tupper School.

Authority for this expenditure was granted at the meeting of Council held January 25th, 1929, and I would ask you to signify your approval and instruct me to pay the account out of current funds until we are in a position to borrow on Capital account.





#### May 21st 1929

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted and the account paid. Motion passed. FIRE DEPARTMENT

## GRANT TO WIDOW OF HOSEMAN BROWN

Read report of the Committee of Firewards recommending that the City authorize a grant of \$1,000.00 to the widow of Hoseman Brown who contracted the illness which caused his death while on duty as a member of the Department:--

> Committee Room, City Hall, April 17th,1929

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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At a meeting of the Committee of Firewards held this day the matter of granting \$1,000.00 to the widow of the late Hoseman Brown, who contracted pneumonia while on duty, was considered.

Your Committee recommend that legislation be sought to provide for the borrowing of \$1,000.00 to be paid to the widow of Hoseman Brown as in previous cases.

Respectfully submitted

W.J O'Toole CHAIRMAN

#### Moved by Alderman O'Toole

seconded by Alderman Dickie that the report be adopted, and that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft legislation authorizing this grant; also that His Worship the Mayor communicate with the Hon. E.N.Rhodes, P.C. Premier and request him to use his good offices in securing legislation at the next session of the legislature legalizing this grant. Motion passed unanimously.

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## RESIGNATION MAJOR H.E. GATES OF THE HOUSING COMMISSION

Read letter Major H.E.Gates

Chairman of the Housing Commission giving his

reasons for his resignation from the Commission:

Office of the Housing Commission May 21st 1929

His Worship the Mayor **Balifar**, N.S.

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

With further reference to my letter of April 29th relating to the Halifax Housing Commission, I may say that my attention has been drawn to an item in the public press stating that some members of the Commission were resigning on account of legislative action recently taken by the City with regard to the Housing Act.

In case this erroneous impression originated in the Council Chamber, I would like to have the same contradicted, especially in-so-far as I am concerned. My reason for resigning is that I feel I cannot afford to continue to serve the City in this capacity as far the past three years I have devoted a great deal of time to the affairs of the Housing Commission, sometimes at very considerable loss and inconvenience to my practice.

> Yours faithfully, Major H.E.Gates.

FILED.

5.40 o'clock.

Moved by Alderman Dickie seconded by

Alderman Donovan that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

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## <u>MORNING SESSION</u>

12 o'clock Noon

Council Chamber, City Hall, June Sth, 1929

#### A Meeting of the City Council

was held this day. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor and Alderman Mitchell, Dickie, Stech, Donovan, Redmond, Cragg, McInnis, Rains, O'Toole, Mullane, Robertson and Adams.

The meeting was called specially

to consider a proposition submitted by the Exhibition Commission for the erection of a new building on the Exhibition grounds.

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The following resolution, adopted by the Provincial Exhibition Commission at a meeting held on the 5th day of June 1929, was submitted and read:-

> RESOLVED that the Provincial Exhibition Commission borrow the sum of \$200,000.00 for the purpose of erecting a suitable building for industrial exhibits, and that the Commission do make and issue its Bonds bearing interest at the rate of Five percent and redeemable at the end of Thirty years and that the said Bonds be secured by a Trust Deed containing the usual terms found in such Trust Deeds covering all the property of the Commission and that the President and Secretary be and they are hereby authorized to execute the said Bonds and Trust Deed on behalf of the Commission and under its Seal.

> > Moved by Alderman Dickie

seconded by Alderman Rains that Rule No. 19

of the "Rules of Council" be suspended during

the debate on this resolution. Motion passed.

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#### June 8th, 1929

By unanimous consent of Council Mr. M.McF.Hall,Secretary of the Exhibition Commission was requested to address the Council on the subject of the Resolution.

The Council is also addressed on the subject by The Honorable J.F.Mahoney, M.P.P., Chairman of the Exhibition Commission.

Moved by Alderman Rains seconded by Alderman O'Toole that this Council approve of the Resolution adopted by the Provincial Exhibition Commission in reference to the borrowing of \$200,000.00 for the erection of a suitable building for industrial exhibits on the Exhibition grounds.

Motion on being put resulted in a tie vote as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman Stech Donovan McInnis Raips O'Toole Mullane- 6 AGAINST IT

Alderman Mitchell Dickie Redmond Oragg Robortson Adams- 6

His Worship the Mayor gives his

casting vote in favor of the Resolution and declares it passed.

Alderman Mitchell gives notice of

re-consideration of the adoption of the resolution.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell

seconded by Alderman Dickie that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed

1,25 o'clock p.m. Meeting adjourned. H.S.RHINI OITY CLERK

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#### EVENING SESSION

8.10 o'clock, Council Chamber, City Hall, June 13th, 1929

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present, His Worship the Mayor and Aldermen Mitchell, Dickie, Stech, Smith, Donovan, Redmond, Cragg, McDuff, McInnis, Rains, Corbin, McDonald, O'Toole, Mullane, Smeltzer and Adams.

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

The following named papers were

submitted:

## NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION NOMINATION OF COMMITTEES

Read notice of reconsideration given by Alderman McInnis at the last regular meeting of Council to reconsider the appointment of all Committees nominated by His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Alderman McInnis seconded by Alderman McDuff that the appointment of all Committees for the Civic Year 192930 be now reconsidered. Motion put and lost seven voting

for the same and nine against it as follows:

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AGAINST IT

Alderman Mitchell Dickie Stech Donovan Redmond Cragg Corbin O'Toole -9- Smeltzer

Alderman Smith McDuff McInnis Rains McDonald Mullane

Adams

FOR THE MOTION

NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION RE APPOINTMENT OF THE COMMITTEE ON WORKS

by Alderman Smith at the last regular meeting of

Councia to reconsider the appointment of the Committee on Works for the Civic Year 1929-30

Alderman Smith withdraws his notice

to reconsider the appointment of this Committee. NOTICE OF RECONSIDERATION

#### PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION BUILDING EXTENSION

Read notice of reconsideration given by Alderman Mitchell at a special meeting of the City Council held on the 5th day of June last to reconsider a resolution approving of the "Resolution of the Provincial Exhibition Commission", to borrow the sum of \$200,000.00 for the purpose of erecting a suitable building for industrial exhibits.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by Alderman Cragg that the said resolution be now reconsidered.

Motion put and lost five voting

for the same and eleven against it as follows: FOR THE MOTION AGAINST IT Alderman Mitchell Alderman Stech Dickie Smith Redmond Donovan McDuff Cragg Adams- 5 McInnis Rains McDonald Corbin O'Toole J.J. Mahana V. C.K. V. J. D. Mahana Mullane Smeltzer-11 8.30 o'clock Rlderman Robertson here arrives and takes his seat in Council. -51-

## APPLICATION W.H.WALKER FOR POSITION OF PERMANENT COAL WEIGHER

Read application of Mr. W.H.Walker for position of permanent Coal Weigher. Moved by Alderman Dickie seconded by

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Alderman Rains that Mr. W.h. Walker be appointed to the vacancy on the Permanent Coal Weighers' Staff.

By unanimous consent, it was decided to take up, with the consideration of this application, a letter from Mr. A.H.Cullymore, Supervisor of Coal Weighers, asking that the appointment of a Permanent Weigher be deferred, as he had no use at present for another Weigher.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Robertson seconded by Alderman Cragg that the application of Mr. Walker and letter of the Supervisor, together with the other applications for the position, be referred to the Committee on Laws & Privileges for report.

 Amendment put and passed ten voting

 for the same and seven against it as follows:

 FOR THE AMENDMENT

 AGAINST IT

Alderman Mitchell Alderman Smith Dickie Donovan Stoch Cragg Redmond McDuff Rains McInnis McDonald Mullane Corbin Smeltzer O'Toole milmener Robertson Adams- 10 --7---APPLICATION RODERICK F. MCDONALD FOR POSITION OF COAL WEIGHER Read application of Roderick F. McDonald for position of Coal Weigher. Referred to the Laws and Privileges Committee. -52-

APPLICATION OF J.R.CLANCEY FOR POSITION OF DEPUTY INSPECTOR UNDER N.S.T.ACT

Read application Mr. J.R.

Clancey for position of Deputy Inspector under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act.

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## LETTER ALDERMAN MARCHNNT

Read letter Alderman Marchant, Victoria B.C., covering a resolution in re Governments contributing to civic revenues.

Referred to the Laws & Privileges

Committee.

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LETTER S\_BAKER-SECRETARY TREASURER UNION CANAD IAN MUNICIPALITIES

Read letter S. Baker, Secretary-

Treasurer ,Union Canadian Municipalities, in reference to the convention of the Union to be held at Three Rivers,Quebec June 13th, 14th, and 15th inst.

FILED

## LETTER TOWN CLERK DARTMOUTH

Read letter Town Clerk, Dartmouth, aovering resolution rescinding a resolution passed May 6th, 1929 in reference to boarding the poor and feeble minded of the Town of Dartmouth at the City Home.

FILED

## APPLICATION HALIFAX DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL TAG DAY

Read application of the Halifax

District Brades and Labor Council asking permission to hold a tag day in the City of Halifax on Saturday, August 31, 1929.

Moved by Alderman Smeltzer

seconded by Alderman Corbin that the request be granted Motion passed. -53-

#### GENERAL ACCOUNTS

#### Read report of the Finance

Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$4,757.61:

> Committee Room, City Hall, June 11th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day the attached list of accounts amounting to \$4,757.61 was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted

A.J.Cragg, CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Cragg

seconded by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

## PROVINCIAL HIGHWAY TAX

Read report of the Finance

Committee recommending payment of the Provincial

Highway Tax \$44,408.72 net:

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City Auditor's Office,
Halifax, N.S.,
June 11th, 1929
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The Chairman,
The Finance Committee,
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Dear Sir:-
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I am enclosing an invoice from the Department of the Provincial Treasurer, covering highway tax for the year 1929-30, which, in order to enjoy the discount of  $l_2^{1/2}$  must be paid on or before June 30th.

Please signify your approval of this payment less discount of \$676.28, net \$44,408.72.

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Yours truly,

A.M.Butler CITY AUDITOR

Committee Room, City Hall, June 11th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day a letter from the City Auditor covering account for Provincial Highway Tax \$45,085.00 for 1929 was read.

Your Committee recommend that the Auditor be authorized to pay this tax, less discount of 13% \$676.28 the net amount being \$44,408.72, before the 30th inst.

> Respectfully submitted E.J. Oragg, CHĂ ÎRMAN

Moved by Alderman Oragg seconded by

Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted and account paid. Motion passed.

CITY HOME AND. T. B. HOSPITAL-ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Charities Committee recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the City Home \$8,621.24 and T.B.Hospital \$2,933.12:

H alifax, N.S.June 13th, 1929

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His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.
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Gentlemen:-

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

MEMBERS PRESENT: The Chairman, Aldermen Dickie, Redmond and O'Toole.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS MAY 1929 AMOUNT \$8,591.24-1928-29 \$30.00

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City Home accounts for the month of May 1929 amounting to \$8,591.24 and for the year 1928-29 amounting to \$30.00 are recommended for payment.

T.B. HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS MAY 1929 AMOUNT \$2,850.44 1928-29 \$82.68

Tuberculosis Hospital accounts for the month of May 1929 amounting to \$2,850.44 and for the year 1928-29 amounting to \$82.68 are recommended for payment.

> Respectfully submitted, A:<sup>A</sup>.Robertson CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Robertson seconded

by Alderman Dickie that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

FIRE DEPARTMENT-ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee of Firewards recommending for payment accounts chargeable to the Fire Alarm Department \$1,001.42 and to the Fire Department \$12,320.90:

> Committee Room, City Hall, June 11th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor,

and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Firewards Committee held this day the attached lists of accounts, chargeable to Fire Alarm Department \$1,001.42 and to Fire Department \$12,320.90, were passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Respectfully submitted

W.J.O'Toole CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman O'Toole

seconded by Alderman Smith that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

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#### HEALTH DEPARTMENT -ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Health Board

recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$2,382.40:

City Health Board, June 13th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor, and Members City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Wednesday, June 12th, 1929, the following named accounts amounting to \$2,382.40 were passed and recommended to the City Council for payment.

> Respectfully yours, Arthur C.Pettipas SECRETARY

Moved by Alderman Corbin seconded

by Alderman Dickie that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

CITY PRISON-ACCOUNTS

Read report of the City Prison

Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$13,086,45:

City Prison, City Hall,

June 6th, 1929

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His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of City Council.
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Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the City Prison Committee held this day the attached list of accounts amounting to \$1,386.45 was passed as correct and recommended to the City Council for payment.

Your Committee submit the report of the Governor for the month of May showing the number of inmates on that date to be Forty-nine males and six females a total of Fifty-two.

> Respectfully submitted W.E.Donovan CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded by

Alderman Mitchell that the report be adopted and

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accounts paid. Motion passed.

# GARDENS, PARKS AND COMMON ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Committee on

Gardens, Parks and Common recommending for payment accounts, chargeable to Fleming Park \$525.87 and to the Public Gardens \$2,155.07:

> Committee Room, City Hall, June 11th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Gardens, Parks and Common held this day the attached lists of accounts, chargeable to Fleming Park\$525.87 and to Public Gardens \$2,155.07 were passed as correct and recommended to the Mity Council for payment.

> Respectfully submitted W.E.Donovan CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Donovan

seconded by Alderman McDonald that the report be

adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Police

Committee recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$10,416.45:

Halifax, N.S., June 10th, 1929

His Worship the Mayor, and City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this date, the following accounts amounting to \$10,416.45, were examined, found correct and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted L.A.Gastonguay MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded

by Alderman Robertson that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed

#### CITIZENS ' FREE LIBRARY ACCOUNTS

Read report of the Library Committee

recommending for payment accounts amounting to \$652.27:

Halifax, N.S.June 11th, 1929

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

Gentlemen:-

The Library Committee begs to present the following accounts for payment---

City of Halifax Salaries for May \$258.32

#### 1928-1929 Accounts

City of Halifax, T.C.Allen & Co.	Salaries for April Books	\$2 <b>33.</b> 32 62 <b>.</b> 38
H. Blakeney	Binding	96.25
Review Pub.Co.	Subc.Dal.Review	2.00
		\$393.95

Respectfully submitted W.E.Donovan CHAIRMAN

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded

by Alderman McInnis that the report be adopted and

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accounts paid. Motion passed

<u>WORKS DEPARTMENT-ACCOUNTS</u>

Read report of the Committee on

Works recommending for payment accounts amounting to

$19,125.31:

Chty Works Office

H alifax, N.S.,

June 12th, 1929

ACCOUNTS WORKS AND WATER DEPT.

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on

Works held this day, the undermentioned accounts
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chargeable as follows, were approved and recommended to Council for payment:

Works Dept	Capital Appropriations	\$5,304.28 12,049.83	\$17,354.11
Water Dept.	Construction	\$159.48	<u>1,774.20</u>
	Maintenance	1,614.72	\$19,128.31

Respectfully submitted,

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded

by Alderman Cragg that the report be adopted and accounts paid. Motion passed.

#### WATER EXTENSION WAEGWOLTIC AVENUE

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re Water Extension, Waegwoltic

Avenue, on the application of Mr. J.W.Kenty:

City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., May 3rd, 1929

#### WAEGWOLTIC AVENUE WATER EXTENSION

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of Mr. J.W.Kenty for the extension of the water on Waegwoltic Avenue, that he is building a new house which the proposed extension will supply with water. The length of the extension will be about fifty feet and the estimated cost \$240.00

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I would recommend that the extension
be made as soon as the house is under construction
and that a special rate be fixed at $14.40, being
the interest at 6% on the estimated cost.
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Respectfully submitted
H.W.Johnston
CITY ENGINEER
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City Works Office,
H alifax, N.S.,
June 6th, 1929
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WAEGWOLTIC AVENUE-WATER EXTENSION

The City Council

Gentlemen:-The accompanying report of the Ctty Engineer on application of Mr. J.W.Kenty for the

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extension of the water on Waegwoltic Avenue, was on May 29th last recommended to Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS,

Moved by Alderman Mitchell

seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the reports be

adopted. Motion passed.

WATER EXTENSION QUEEN STREET

Read report of the Committee on

Works and City Engineer re water extension Queen Street on the application of the Solicitor for R.B. Conrod:

> City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S. May 28th, 1929

#### QUEEN STREET WATER EXTENSION

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the Solicitor for Mr. <sup>R</sup> B.Conrad asking that the water pipe be extended on Queen Street past his Auto Paint Shop crected on property recently purchased by him from the City, that the length of the proposed extension will be about 165 feet and the estimated cost of the work is \$600,00

The present dead end is about 75 feet south of Green Street and owing to the filling that has taken place at various times on this street the pipe is about 12 feet deep.

As the street is now graded to its final grade it is proposed to relay the pipe from Tobin Street to the present dead end at the ordinary depth of 6 feet in order to avoid the excessive cost of making repairs or connections to the pipe.

I would recommend that the extension applied for be made and that a special rate be fixed at \$36.00.

> Respectfully submitted H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 6th, 1929



Q UEEN STREET-WATER EXTENSION

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works on May 29th, resolved to recommend that the accompanying report of the City Engineer on application of Mr. R.B.Conrad, for water extension on Queen Street be adopted.

Respectfully submitted

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded

by Alderman O'Toole that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

#### PINE STREET WATER EXTENSION

Read report of the Committee on .

Works and City Engineer re Pine Street water extension on the application of Mr. Burgess:

> City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., June 8th, 1929

#### PINE STREET WATER EXTENSION.

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

In a report dated May 17th I recommend-

ed the extension of water pipe on Elm Street south of Oak Street, to supply the premises of Mr. Burgess with water, an error was made as the application was meant for his premises on Pine Street.

The length of the extension required is eighty-five feet and the estimated cost is \$440.00 The size of the pipe will be 6 inches.

I would recommend that the extension be made provided the applicant agrees to sign the bond for the annual water rates of \$34.34, which sum is recommended to be fixed by the City Council as a special rate for the extension.

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Respectfully submitted

H.W.Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 13th, 1929

#### PINE STREET WATER EXTENSION

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend to the Council for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer on Pine Street Water Extension.

Respectfully submitted,

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by

Alderman O'Toole that the reports be adopted. Motion

passed.

#### STREET FOREMAN'S MOTOR CAR

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re purchase of a motor car for the foreman of streets covering tenders of the Nova Motors Limited and F.C.Manning & Col-

> City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., June 12th, 1929

#### Street Foreman's Car

His Worship the Mayor.

#### Sir:-

The Ford Runabout which has been in service and used by the Foreman of Streets for the past ten years or more, is in such shape that it would be poor economy to spend any more money on it. I have obtained prices on Chevrolcts and Fords as follows:

Nova Motors, Ltd. 4 doo:	r chev.sedan	\$950.00 825.00
2 "	" Coach	825.00
F.C.Manning Co.Ltd.4"	Ford Sedan	985,00 835,00
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I would recommend that a Chev.Coach be purchased for this service at a price of \$\$25.00

Respectfully submitted

H.W.Johnston, CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 13th, 1929

STREET FOREMAN'S CAR

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The accompanying report of the City Engineer re purchase of car for Street Foreman is recommended to Council for adoption.

> Respectfully submitted M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded

by Alderman O'Toole that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed, Alderman Robertson dissenting.

#### PAVING QUINPOOL ROAD

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer covering tenders for paving Quinpool Road:

> Oity Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., June 10th, 1929

#### TENDERS FOR PAVING QUINPOOL ROAD

H is Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report that three tenders were received for paving Quinpool Road, as follows:

ITEM.	CLASS OF WORKS	S Stephen Bros. Ltd.	Andrew Wheaton & Sons Ltd.	Warren Bituminous Paving Co. Pt&
l, Con	crete curb and	gutter two		
	rse work	\$1,35	\$1,20	\$1,30
	crete curb and course work	gutter 1,15	1,10	1,25
	veways Asphalt on 6"	7.50	15.00	7.50
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_	adam base Macadam on re-	2,16	2.25	6-4
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	airing and rosu sting pavements		3.50	3.50

J<u>une 13th, 1929</u>

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2" Asphalt on 4" black base \$3.35 - \$3.80

X- Top only

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It is recommended that the tender of Stephen Bros., Ltd. be accepted.

> Respectfully submitted H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER

Oity Works Office, Halifax, N.S. June 13th, 1929

TENDERS FOR PAVING QUINPOOL ROAD

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

Attached hereto is a report of the City Engineer on tenders for paving Quinpool Road.

The Committee on Works on the 12th instant approved of said report and recommended the same to the City Council for adoption.

> Respectfully submitted M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by Alderman

O'Toole that the reports be adopted. Motion passed

## CAST IRON PIPE TENDERS

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer covering tenders for cast iron pipe:

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#### City Engincer's Office, Halifax, N.S., June 10th, 1929

#### CAST IRON WATER PIPE

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

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We will require approximately 2000 feet of 6-inch cast iron water pipe. I have asked for prices from eight manufacturers and dealers in pipe and have quotations from three-

R.D.Wood & Co., Philadelphia, Pa., Plain joints \$56.14 per ton f.o.b., cars Halifax, including freight duty and sales tax.

Canada Iron Foundries Limited, Plain joints, \$50.34 per ton f.o.b., cars Halifax, sales tax included.

T.McAvity & Sons Ltd., plain joints \$50.40 per ton f.o.b. wharf Halifax, all charges paid including wharfage.

T.McAvity & Sons Ltd., turned and bored joints, City of Halifax specification \$51.65 per ton f.o.b., wharf Halifax, all charges paid including wharfage.

T.McAvity & Sons Ltd., is the only firm who tendered onCity of Halifax specifications for turned and bored joints which type of joint has been used in the City for the past forty years.

I would recommend that the tender of this firm at \$51.65 per ton be accepted and the contract for the supply of pipe required be awarded to them.

> Respectfully submitted, H.W.Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 13th, 1929

CASE IRON WATER RIPE

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-The Committee on Works recommend the adoption of the accompanying report of the City Engineer on the purchase of cast iron water pipe.

Respectfully submitted

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by

Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted.

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Motion passed

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CURBS AND GUTTER QUINPOOL ROAD

Read report of the Committee

on Works and City Engineer re laying of curbs and gutters on Quinpool Road:

> City Engineer's Office, H alifax, N.S., June 11th, 1929

## QUINPOOL ROAD -CURBS AND GUTTERS

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

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In connection with the paving of Quinpool Road it will be necessary to lay a certain amount of concrete curb and gutter and in order to comply with the Act a formal resolution is required.

I would recommend that concrete curbs and gutters be haid along the south and west side of Quinpool Road from Oxford St., to the entrance to the Bathing Beach and along the north and east side of Quinpool Road from Oxford St. to Chebucto Road.

> Respectfully submitted H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER

Oity Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 13th, 1929

QUINPOOL ROAD-CURBS AND GUTTERS

The City Council

Gentlemen:-

The accompanying report of the City Engineer on Quinpool Road curbs and gutters has been approved by the Committee on Works and is recommended to Council for adoption. Respectfully submitted M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by Alderman Oragg that the reports be Engun adopted. Motion passed. CONCRETE SIDEWALKS Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re tenders for laying concrete sidewalks, curbs and gutters -67-

City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., June 10th, 1929

TENDERS FOR CONCRETE SIDEWALKS ETC

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report that in response to advertisements for tenders for concrete sidewalks, curbs,gutters, etc., four were received, and for purposes of comparison are herein tabulated in detail:-

ITEM	UNIT		P.S. S Allen L		os Hanratty and Bianco
Concrete Walk 2 course Concrete walk 1 course Curb and gutter 2 cours	Sq.Yd. 11 11	\$1.98 1.79 . 1.20	\$2.15 1.90 1.23	2.40	\$3.00 2.75 1.75
Driveways Sodding. Resetting gran curb Resetting gran gutter	" " each Sq.Yd. nite Lin.ft nite	. 42 . 52 . 52 . 50 . 50 . 85 . 00	1.15 14.75 .45 .53 .53 .40 85.00 2.95	•75 •50 •65 75•00	1.50 25.00 .75 .75 .70 60.00 2.25

The tender of Andrew Wheaton and Sons, Limited is the lowest and is recommended for acceptance.

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Respectfully submitted
H.W.Johnston
CITY ENGINEER
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City Works Office,
Halifax, N.S.
June 13th, 1929
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## TENDERS FOR CONCRETE SIDEWALKS

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend to Council for adoption the accompanying report of the City Engineer on tenders for concrete sidewalks

> Respectfully submitted, M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS.

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Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded

by Alderman O'Toole that the reports be adopted.



#### PERMANENT SIDEWALKS

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re permanent sidewalks, curbs and gutters to be constructed during this year:

City Engineer's Office, Halifax,N.S., June 12th, 1929

#### PERMANENT SIDEWALKS

Motion passed

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

It is recommended that curbs, gutters and concrete sidewalks be constructed on the following streets during this year:

Barrington St.	East Side fro	m Morris St.to South St.
Fenwick St.	North " "	South Park to Lucknow St
Henry St.	East II II	Bliss to Jubilee Road
Henry St.	West " "	Coburg Rd. to Morris St.
Morris St.	South " "	Robie St. to Seymour St.
Public Gardens	Entrance	
Quinpool Road	South "	Oxford St.Eastwardly
Chestnut St.	Both sidos "	Coburg Rd. toJubilee Rd.
George St.	North Side "	Ferry
Grafton St.	West " "	Blower to Grafton Park

To do the above work it will be necessary to borrow a sum amounting to about \$10,000. to cover the City's share.

Respectfully submitted

H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 13th, 1929

## PERMANENT SIDEWALKS

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works on the 12th inst., had under consideration the accompanying report of the City Engineer recommending the con struction of curbs, gutters and concrete sidewalks and resolved to recommend to Council that said report be adopted.

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Respectfully submitted M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

## June 15th, 1929

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded

by Alderman O!Toole that the reports be adopted.

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## FILLING STATION 220 LOWER WATER STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re filling station 220 Lower Water Street:

#### City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., May 29th, 1929

#220 LOWER WATER STREET FILLING S TATION

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the Maritime Welders for permission to instal two tanks and pumps for the sale of gasoline at the premises No.220 Lower Water Street between Sackville and Prince Street, that the building sets back about twenty feet from the street line and it is proposed to instal the tanks half way between the line of the building so that autos will be able to drive off the street to fill their tanks.

There is no Filling Station in the immediate vicinity. I would recommend that a permit be granted on the condition and understanding that all cars must be filled clear of the street line.

Respectfully submitted

H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER.

City Works Office,

Halifax, N.S., June 6th, 1929

## # 220 Lower Water St-Filling Station

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

Attached hereto is an application from the Maritime Welders for permission to install two tanks and pumps for the sale of gasoline at premises # 220 Lower Water Street, also a report of the City Engineer thereon.

The Committee on Works on May 29th, resolved to recommend to Council that said report be adopted and a permit granted on the conditions set forth therein.

Respectfully submitted, M.A.Hunter -70- CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the reports be adopted. Motion

passed.

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#### FILLING STATION ROBIE STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re filling station Robie Street, on the application of the Frontenac Oil Refineries:

> Oity Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., June 11th, 1929

Frontenac Oil Refineries, Ltd. FILLING STATION

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application from the Frontenac Oil Refineries, Limited for permission to erect a Filling Station on the east side of Robie Street, near Bilby Street, that it is proposed to erect a station similar to the one now being erected on Quinpool Road. Arrangements for filling cars will be made away from the street, and I can see no objection to a permit being granted.

Respectfully submitted,

H.W.Johnston, CITY ENGINEER

City Works Office, Halifax, N.S.,

June 13th, 1929

FRONTENAC OIL REFINERIES LTD. FILLING STATION

The City Council.

Gentleme n:-

The accompanying report of the City Engineer on an application of the Frontenac Oil Refineries Ltd., for permission to erect a filling station on the east side of Robie Street, was on the 12th instant, approved by the Committee on Works and recommended to Council for adoption.

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Respectfully submitted M.A. Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by Alderman O'Toole that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

# GAS TANK-KEMPT ROAD

Read report of the Committee on

Works and City Engineer on the application of Mr. A.A.Boyd to install gas tank and pump on the premises known as The Suburban Garage, Kempt Road:

#### City Engineer's Office May 15th, 1929

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#### KEMPT ROAD-GASOLINE TANK

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

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I beg to report on the application of Mr. A.A.Boyd for permission to instal a gasoline tank and pump on the premises known as the Suburban Garage, that there is already a tank and pump at these premises and I can see no objection to a permit being issued for another. I would recommend that permission be granted.

Respectfully submitted

H.W.Johnston, OITY ENGINEER

#### City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 6th, 1929

## KEMPT ROAD-GASOLINE TANK

The Oity Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works on the 29th of May, resolved to recommend to Council that the accompanying report of the City Engineer on application of Mr. A.ABoyd for permission to install a gasoline tank and pump on the premises known as the Suburban Garage, be adopted.

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Respectfully submitted

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell

adopted. Motion massed.

#### CHESTNUT STREET GRADING

Read report of the Committee

on Works and City Engineer re grading of Chestnut Street:

> Oity Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., May 28th, 1929

#### CHESTNUT STREET GRADING

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

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I beg to report on the petition from the property owners on Chostnut Street from Jubilee Road to Coburg Road asking that the street be graied and taken over by the City, that the petition is signed by the owners of about 70% of the property fronting on the street. The estimated cost of the grading is about \$600.00

In 1921 a petition was submitted asking to have this street graded and taken over, but at the time did not have the necessary number of signatures, since then several more buildings have been erected on the street from Jubilee Road to Watt Street on both sides, and on the east side from Watt Street to Coburg Road is fairly well built up and I would recommend that the prayer of the petition be granted and that the City grade the street at the expense of the owners and when the work is finished that it be accepted as a City street.

Respectfully submitted

H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER.

Oity Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 6th, 1929

CHESTNUT STREET GRADING

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The accompanying report of the City Engineer on Chestnut Street Grading was necommended to Council for adoption, May 29th last.

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Respectfully submitted M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded by

Alderman Mitchell that the report be adopted. Motion

passed.

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#### CHESTNUT S TREET SIDEWALK

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re laying of a concrete sidewalk and curbs on Chestnut Street:

> City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., May 28th, 1929

CHESTNUT STREET SIDEWALK

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

I beg to report on a petition from the owners of property on Chestnut Street asking that a concrete sidewalk with curb and gutter be constructed, that a report of even date is being made recommending that the street be graded and taken over by the City, when that report is adopted the Council may order the construction of the sidewalk and curbs:

This petition is signed by persons owning more than two-thirds of the frontage of property on both sides of the street. The street is well built bp and several residences are in course of construction.

The grade of the street between Watt Street and Jubilee Road is very slight and in order to provide drainage it is almost essential to have a curb and gutter.

The estimated cost of laying the sidewalks and concrete curb and gutter on both sides of the street between Jubilee Road and Coburg Road is \$11,302.45 of which the City's share will be \$6,142.07. I would recommend that the work be ordered to be done when funds are available and as soon as the street is taken over by the City. Respectfully submitted, H.W.Johnston, CITY ENGINEER City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 6th, 1929 CHESTNUT STREET SIDEWALK

THE City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend the adoption of the attached report of the City Engineer

on Chestnut Street Sidewalk.

Respectfully submitted

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded by

Alderman Mitchell that the report be adopted. Motion passed. NORTH WEST ARM FERRY LANDINGS

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re leases of ferry landings at the North West Arm:

> Oity Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., June 4th, 1929

NORTH WEST ARM FERRY LANDING

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Referring to my report of the 15th of May on applications for renewal of Ferry lease at the North West Arm, I would recommend that the lease of the ferry privileges at the foot of Oakland Road now held by Joseph Boutilier be nenewed for one year until the 30th of April, 1920, for the sum of \$10,00

> Respectfully submitted H.W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., May 15th, 1929

CITY ENGINEER

NORTH WEST ARM FERRY LANDING

His Worship the Mayor,

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application for a renewal of ferry lease at the North West Arm as follows:

SOUTH STREET

William Robinson, the present lessee asks for a nenewal of his lease and I would recommend that the lease be renewed until the 30th day of April, 1930 for the sum of \$10.00

COBURG ROAD

Adam Marr asks for a renewal of his lease for the landing at the foot of Coburg Road. I would recommend that this be granted until the 30th of April 1930 for the sum of \$10,00 Respectfully submitted H.W.Johnston

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City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 10th, 1929

NORTH WEST ARM-FERRY LANDING

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works recommend that a lease of ferry privileges at the North West Arm be granted until the 30th day of April 1930, for the sum of \$10.00 as follows:

> South St- Wm.Robinson Cobubg Road- Adam Marr Oakland Road- Joseph Boutilier,

> > Respectfully submitted

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded

by Aldorman Mitchell that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed

AMENDMENTS TO STREET ORDINANCE

Read report of the Committee on Works recommending an amendment to Section 6 of Ordinance 4 relating to streets:

> City Works Office, Halifax, N.S., June 6th, 1929

AMENDMENT TO SECTION 6 ORDINANCE 5-OPENINGS IN STREETS

The City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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The Committee on Works on May 29th, resolved to recommend to Council that Section 6 of Ordinance 4, be amended by adding the words "not less than" before the word "Four" in the last line thereof

Respectfully submitted

M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded by

Alderman O'Toole that the report be adopted and the

draft ordinance read a first time. Motion passed

Read Draft Ordinance to amend -76-

Section 6 of Ordinance 4. First reading.

Moved by Alderman Donovan seconded by Alderman Mitchell that the Draft Ordinance be read a second time. Motion passed

Read An Ordinance to amend section 6 of Ordinance 4 of the City of Halifax relating to Streets. Second reading.

### FARRELL PROPERTY KEMPT ROAD

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer recommending the purchase of the Farrell Property ,Kempt Road:

> City Engineer's Office, Halifax, N.S., May 28th, 1929

#### KEMPT ROAD FARRELL PROPERTY

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Solicitor

At the session of the Legislature just concluded a bill No. 91 was passed vesting in Vincent F.Farrell property on Kempt Road, which had been sold for taxes and bid in by the City. The property was sold on the 8th day of April, 1927 on account of the following rates and taxes owing on it.

Taxes

\$242.40 Int. \$43.23 To

Total \$285.63



The Bill referred to contains the following provisions "Provided that the City of Halifax shall have the right at any time within three months from the date hereof of purchasing the said property from the said Vincent F.Farrell or other owner thereof, for a sum not exceeding \$1,500.00 which amount shall be in full of all claims which the said Vincent Farrell may have had against the City of Halifax in relation to the said land"

Previous to the sale of this land Mr. Farrell made a claim against the City for flooding his land and also for pollution of the brook running through on account of the use of the City Bump.

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I am not prepared to discuss the merits of the claim as it was never brought to trial, so that we only have an indication of what facts the evidence would disclose

Some two years ago an action was brought by Mr. Morash on similar grounds and after the trial but before judgment was given, the City deemed it advisable to purchase the property.

I have consulted with the City Soliditor as to whether the City's lien for paving charges and taxes still attaches to Mr. Farrell's property, his opinion is as follows:

"In reply to your enquiry as to whether or not the lien of the City for paving charges and taxes still attaches to Mr. Farrell's property, I beg to say that in my opinion it clearly does not.

The case is not analogous to one where the property has been sold subsequent to the attaching of the lien. In that case the lien still exists and follows the property. In this case the remedy by lien has been exhausted by the sale of the property and cannot be in any way revived",

It therefore appears that if the City wants the property it will be compelled to pay \$1500. for it in addition to losing over \$10,000.00 in rates and taxes.

Leaving out for a moment the question of pavement charges, it is a matter of interest and concern not only to the City but to every other Municipal body in the Province to understand on what principle the legislature granted such special legislation as it did in this case, relieving the tax payer of the ordinary taxes levidd on a property in the regular and lawful way. Apparently no further protests would be of any avail in the case under discussion, but it appears to be a matter that should be brought before the Nova Scotia Union of Municipalities to enlist their support in trying to prevent any further legislation of a similar character.

I wrote Mr. Farrell on the 23rd ultimo asking him at what price he would sell the

property to the City and I am attaching a copy of his reply. In my opinion it is in the City's interests that this property should be acquired. As the law allows only three months from the date of its passage for the purchase a decision will have to be arrived at immediately.

Respectfully submitted

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H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER

City Engineer's Office, May 23, 1929

Mr. V.T.Farroll, Berwisk N.S.

Dear Sir:-

price that you would sell to the City the land recently purported to be vested in you by an Act of the Legislature contained in Bill No.91. This enquiry is made entirely without prejudice to any rights that the City may have in the matter.

Yours faithfully.

H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER

#### H alifax, N.S.May 27,1929

H.W.Johnston, Esq., City Engineer, City Hall, Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of yours of the 23rd instant, enquiring the price at which I will sell the piece of land lately vested in me by an Act of the Legislature. I may say, that the price of \$1500.00 is what I offered to settle this matter for when the bill was going through the House, and I cannot see that I can sell it for less now. Ι shall be glad to hand you a deed of this property at once on receipt of cheque for \$1500.00

Yours truly,

V.F.Farrell. The delay in reply is owing to the fact P.S. that your letter was mailed to Berwick, N.S., which is not my address. Any further correspondence please address P.O., Box 873 Halifax, N.S. and oblige.

> City Works Office. Halifax, N.S., June 13th, 1929

Kempt Road- Farrell Property

The City Council.

Gentlemen:

The Committee on Works on the 12th inst., resolved to recommend to Council for adoption, the accompanying report of the City Engineer in re Farrell property Kempt Road.

> Respectfully submitted M.A.Hunter CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Mitchell seconded by

Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

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## AGRICOLA STREET PAVING

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re paving of Agricola Street between Cunard St., and West Street; and Bloomfield and Almon Streets:-

> City Engineer's Office, H alifax, N.S., June 11-29

## AGRICOLA STREET PAVING

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the paving of Agricola Street between Cunard and West Street and Bloomfield and Almon Street, that in 1919 Agricola Street from Cunard to Almon Street was ordered to be paved. A portion of the work was done but owing to the failure of the Tram Company at that time to complete the work on their track allowance, the two blocks referred to were not finished.

In 1923 the City Engineer reported to the City Council that the paving on the street should be completed but that the petition for the work was not signed by a majority of the property owners. At that time the money available required that before being expended this condition should be complied with .

During the last session of the House an amendment to the Charter was passed under which, before any paving work can be undertaken it is necessary that a petition signed by persons owning not less than 51 per -cent of the frontage of the real property fronting on any street must be presented to the City Council.

At the time I protested against the passage of this resolution as being against the interests of the City as a whole. The present case forms a very good example of the objectionable features of the legislation. We have a street extending from Sunard to Almon Street on which, with the exception of a short distance in each end, permanent pavement is laid, and while it is in the public interest that the work should be completed, yet under the law as now existing, this cannot be done unless more than half of the owners of property fronting on the uncompleted blocks approve of it.

While heartily in sympathy with the project of completing this pavement I do not see under the existing law how the Council can take any action until it receives a petition containing the necessary number of signatures.

> Respectfully submitted H.W.Johnston CITY ENGINEER.