CITY COUNCIL MEETING, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER L6th, 1939. <u>A G E N D A</u>

Minutes.

Resolution re accounts. Report Finance Committee re grant, Red Cross Society. Report Finance Committee re resignation of Miss Reardon, Assessor's Office. Report Laws and Privileges Committee re appointment of coal weigher. re qualifications of Mayor and Aldermen. Report Camp Hill Cemetery Committee re plan of lots. Report City Health Board re payment for repairs to Tuberculosis Hospital. 11 tenders for removal of garbage, Tuberculosis Hospital. Report Bolice Committee re tenders for trousers. Report Charities Committee re tenders. war tax. 11 II: floors at City Home. H. 11 repairs to Superintendent's residence. Deferred Business 14. Notice of motion by Alderman Lloyd re business area, Quinpool Road. Questions by Aldermen. Report Common Works and City Engineer re sewer and water extension, Rockcliffe St. 11 11 11 water extension, Connolly Road. Ħ Ħ 11 Preston St.expropriation. 11 ١Į, 11 extension of Bens Bakery, Pepperell Street. 11 11 11 club-house, Seaforth St. 11 11 Hł: street lighting. Ħ Ħ Ħ sale of land, Connaught Avenue. n lt Ħ payment to Standard Paving Maritimes Ltd. 11 Ħ 11 final certificate. Standard Paving Maritimes Ltd. t 11 11 payment on crushed stone contract. It 11 overhanging sign, Sackville Street. tt tt 11 tenders for extension of sewer outlet, Halifax Shipyards. Report Charities Committee re Superintendent's report. . Report City Auditor re departmental appropriations and expenditures. 11 11 tax collections for the month of **October**, 1939.

EVENING SESSION

8.00 o'clock, Council Chamber, City Hall, November 16th, 1939.

A meeting of the City Council was held this evening. At the above named hour there were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Breen, ^Batson, MacKay, Donovan, Curran, Sullivan, Freda, Adams, Lloyd, McDonald, Keshen, O'Toole, Curtis, Walker, MacDonald and Landry.

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

submitted. The following named papers were

MINUTES

Alderman W. A. MacDonald stated that on page 233 of the minutes, in the fifth line thereof, there occurs a typographical error namely, that the term of office of Alderman Landry reads to terminate on April 30th, 1939, while it should read as terminating on April 30th, 1942.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that the minutes be corrected as outlined by Alderman MacDonald. Motion passed. Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman MacKay that the minutes of the previous meeting, as now amended, be approved. Motion passed. <u>ACCOUNTS</u>

The following resolution covering

accounts of various committees was submitted.

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RESOLVED that the Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Committee on Finance amounting to \$8,604.88; Committee on Charities amounting to \$12,115.48; Gardens Committee amounting to \$1,673.33, Fleming Park amounting to \$192.30; Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$1,118.73; City Prison Committee amounting to \$2,054.27; Committee on Firewards amounting to \$14,405.65 chargeable to Fire Department and \$634.34 chargeable to Fire Alarm; Committee on Works amounting to \$28,445.56; City Health Board amounting to \$7,387.01; Committee on Camp Hill Cemetery amounting to \$994.76; Library Committee amounting to \$485.01; Police Committee amounting to \$10,571.57 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that the resolution be adopted

and the accounts paid. Motion passed.

HOSTEL TO ACCOMMODATE MEN IN HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICES

Read letter from His Worship the

Mayor as follows:~

November 16th, 1939.

Members of the City Council.

Dear Aldermen:-

Since the outbreak of war, as you know, Halifax has had large numbers of service men in its midst, and with a continuance of war we can expect a still larger number. A number of our citizens have been worried over the fact that when these large numbers of men are granted leave in the City there is no central meeting place which they can have for recreation or in general is there accommodation where they can obtain comfortable quarters for the night.

Colonel Webb of the Canadian Legion, British Empire Service League, has been in the City the past two days making an investigation of the whole situation and has asked the City, through me, to contribute up to Fifteen per cent of the cost of such a hostel as the Canadian Legion and its committee may obtain, with a maximum expenditure for the City of \$15,000.000. I understand that the Provincial Government are prepared to pay Twentyfive pencent of the cost, not to exceed \$25,000.00, and apparently it will cost at least \$100,000.00 to put this project into commission. It is proposed that the balance of this sum will be obtained from the Federal Government in Ottawa.

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There is no doubt but that the situation is a serious one and must be taken care of, but there may be some question as to whether or not it is a matter solely for the Department of National Defence and the Dominion Government.

However, prompt action must be taken and apparently if the City will contribute as outlined above it will expedite matters.

Yours truly,

Walter Mitchell, MAYOR.

The Mayor called upon the Deputy

Mayor to assume the Chair while he addressed .

Council from the floor of the Council Chamber.

The Mayor stated that the Imperial Government recognizes Halifax as an important port, with the result that a great number of ships with large crews come to Halifax.

At present, the Mayor said, it is impossible to accommodate all these men and Col. Webb has requested that the City of Halifax make a contribution of 15% towards the cost of a hostel to accommodate men in His Majesty's services.

The Mayor also stated that he was given to understand that the building to be used

for such a hostel would be vested in a private association, such as the Canadian Legion, from which the City of Halifax would continue to derive taxes. The Mayor then assumed the Chair. 8.15 P.M., Alderman Kinley arrives and takes

his seat in Council.

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Alderman Batson stated that if there

was to be a canteen in connection with the hostel,

he could not support same.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by

Alderman Donovan that

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BE IT RESOLVED upon receipt by His Worship the Mayor of the assurance of the Premier and Government of the Province of Nova Scotia that he and it will support legislation to be submitted by the City at the next session of the Legislature ratifying the action of the City herein, that the City do borrow from any bank or fund available a sum of money not to exceed fifteen percent of the cost of establishing a hostel for men of His Majesty's services visiting the City of Halifax, provided that such fifteen percent shall not exceed the sum of (15,000.00 and to pay the same to the governing body of such hostel, and the said sum so borrowed with the interest thereon shall be included in the estimates of the City for the civic year 1940-41.

Alderman Curran objected to this

matter being considered at this meeting as he felt it should be submitted as a notice of motion, and

asked for a ruling from the City Solicitor.

The Solicitor replied that if there

were three or more objectors the matter could not be dealt with at this meeting.

Alderman Batson, Curran, Curtis and

Freda then objected to the matter being dealt

with at this meeting.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd,

seconded by Alderman Keshen that the question of a hostel for accommodating men in His Majesty's services be considered at a special meeting of the City Council to be held on Monday, November 20th at 5 P.M. Amendment passed.

Alderman Curran against.

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GRANT - CANADIAN RED CROSS SOCIETY

Read report of the Finance Committee

re grant, Canadian Red Cross Society.

Committee Room, City Hall, November 15th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

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At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, an application from the Nova Scotia Division of the Canadian Red Cross Society was made verbally for a contribution by the City of Halifax of \$5,000.00 to assist the C ity in carrying out its war-time program.

The following resolution was approved and is forwarded to Council for its action.

RESOLVED that the City apply for legislation to authorize the payment of \$5,000.00 to the Canadian Red Cross Society (N.S.Division); such contribution to be for the ensuing period of one year and to be used for the general and war-time purposes of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan, CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that the report be adopted.

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Motion put and passed, 16 voting for the same and 1

against it as follows:-

FOR THE MOTION Aldermen Adams Batson Breen Curtis Donovan Freda Keshen Kinley Landry Lloyd W.A.MacDonald J.F.McDonald MacKay O'Toole Sullivan Walker -16-

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RESIGNATION - MISS MARION REARDON

Read report of the Finance Committee

re resignation, Miss Marion Reardon.

Committee Room, City Hall, November 15th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee held this day, the attached letter from the City Assessor submitting resignation of Miss Marion Reardon, Clerk in the Assessor's Office, was considered.

The Assessor recommends that the resignation be accepted and no appointment made to this position.

Your committee approves of this

recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. E. Donovan, CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

LETTER, CITY SOLICITOR RE NOTICE OF ACTION

Read letter from the City Solicitor

No. and form re notice of action given by the Nova Scotia Trust Co.

November 16th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

and Members of the City Council.

I attach herewith copy of Notice of Action given by the Nova Scotia Trust Company, in which notice is given that the Company proposes to bring an action against the City for a declaration as to the respective rights of the City of Halifax and the Nova Scotia Trust Company in the sum of \$1,751.00, being the purchase price of a certain property No. 781 Robie Street, assessed to the estate of Elizabeth Webber, which was sold for taxes by the City Collector on the 29th day of September, 1938.

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A further claim is made for a declaration that the City is estopped as against the Nova Scotia Brust Company from setting up against it, as mortgagee of the property, any claim for taxes, whether for pavement, sewerage or otherwise, arising or which may have been due to the City prior to the giving of a Red Certificate in March 1927.

There is also a claim made for an Order requiring the City to pay over to the Nova Scotia Trust Company the share of the sum of \$1,751.00 to which the Trust Company is entitled.

This matter has been under consideration for a long time and I would suggest that the same be referred to the Committee on Finance, and that if an action is brought before the next meeting of the Council that the City Solicitor be instructed to accept service of a Writ of Summons on behalf of the City.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune, CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee and that if an action is brought against the City the City Solicitor be instructed to accept service of a writ of summons on behalf of the City. Motion passed.

APPOINTMENT OF COAL WEIGHER

Read report of the Laws and

Privileges Committee re appointment of coal weigher.

Committee Room, City Hall, November 13th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, the attached application from H. B. Large Goal Company requesting that Mr. Isaac Clark be appointed a coal weigher was considered.

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Your committee recommends that the application be granted and the Mayor authorized to swear Mr. Clark in as a coal weigher.

Respectfully submitted,

H. F. Curran, CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Curran, seconded

by Alderman Sullivan that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

QUALIFICATIONS OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

Read report of the Laws and

Privileges Committee re qualifications of Mayor and

Aldermen.

Committee Room, City Hall, November 13th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Laws and Privileges Committee held this day, the attached extracts from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held on the 12th day of October, 1939, regarding qualifications of Mayor and Aldermen was considered.

Your committee does not approve of the amendments proposed in Clauses A and B, but recommends the adoption of Clauses C and B, which read as follows:-

(c) By amending clause (j) of Section 17 by inserting therein between the word "company" and "which" in the second line thereof the words "or manager" for a partnership

required to be registered under the Registration of Partnerships Act".

(d) By amending clause (a) of Section 18 by inserting therein between the words "any" in the first line and "company" in the second line the words "Partnership required to be registered under the Registration of Partnerships Act of which is the manager or any".

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Respectfully submitted,

H. F. Curran, CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Curran, seconded by

Alderman Sullivan that the report be adopted. Moved in amendment by Alderman Lloyd,

seconded by Alderman Donovan that consideration of this item be deferred until the next regular meeting of the City Council and in the meantime the members of Council to be provided with copies of the proposed legislation. Amendment put and passed, 12 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:-

FOR THE AMENDMENT	AGAINST IT
Aldermen Breen MacKay Donovan Kinley Sullivan Freda Adams Lloyd J.F.McDonald O'Toole W.A.MacDonald	Aldermen Batson Curran Keshen Curtis Walker
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Motion not put.

PLAN OF LOTS - CAMP HILL CEMETERY

Read report of the Camp Hill Cemetery

Committee re plan of lots.

Committee Room, City Hall, November 13th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council. At a meeting of the Camp Hill Cemetery Committee held this day, the committee had before it plans covering new lots in the Cemetery which have been made available by filling in roads. Your committee recommends that the plans known as #M38666 and #M38667, as prepared by the City Engineer's Department, be approved. Respectfully submitted, John Walker, CHAIRMAN. -266-

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded

by Alderman Curtis that the report be adopted. Motion passed.

ACCOUNT - W. G. FOLEY

Read report of the City Health Board

re account of W. G. Foley for repairs to the

Tuberculosis Hospital.

November 16th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members City Council.

At a meeting of the City Health Board held on Tuesday, November 14th, an account was considered from W. G. Foley, General Contractor, amounting to \$450.00, for exterior repairs to the Tuberculosis Hospital completed as per specifications and contract previously approved by the City Council.

It is recommended that the account

be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. Keshen, CHAIRMAN, C. H. B.

Moved by Alderman Keshen, seconded

by Alderman Adams that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR REMOVAL OF GARBAGE - TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read report of the City Health Board

re tenders for removal of garbage, Tuberculosis

Hospital.

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November 16th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members City Council.

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A. W. Evans, Preston J. H. Merson, 592 Gottingen St. 6.00 "

The contract is for a period of three years from the 20th day of November.

It is recommended that the tender of Mr. A. W. Evans be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. Keshen; CHAIRMAN, C. H. B.

Moved by Alderman Keshen, seconded by

Alderman Adams that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR TROUSERS - POLICE DEPARTMENT

Read report of the Police Committee

re tenders for trousers.

November 10th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor; and City Council.

Gentlemen!-

At a meeting of the Police Committee held this date, the tender of Mr. T. M. Vaughan for 72 pairs of Police Winter Trousers at \$6.75 per pair, tax included, to be made of a 20 oz. cloth as sample No. 3000, was accepted, and ordered forwarded to the City Council for approval. Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by Alderman Adams. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

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J. B. Carter, Secretary, Police Committee.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded

by Alderman Adams that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

TENDERS - CITY HOME

Read report of the Charities

Committee re tenders.

Halifax, N. S., November 13th, 1939.

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

Gentlemen:-

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

Members Presenti- The Chairman, Aldermen Curtis, Breen, Landry and Kinley.

Tenders for plumbing at Superintendent's residence, offal, potatoes and turnips, bell system, re-wiring Superintendent's residence and intercommunication system were opened and read as follows:-

Plumbing at Superintendent's Residence

Murphy & Wharton	\$231,00
Ernscliff & Co.	210.00
A. S. Lee	200.00

The tender of A. S. Lee, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Offal

Charles J. Craig	\$28,00 per mo.
J. H. Merson	14,00 "
Earl Morash	15.00 "

The tender of Charles J. Oraig at \$28.00 per month for a period of three years is recommended for acceptance.

Potatoes and Turnips	
Nickerson & Crease Ltd. Potatoes (Whites) Turnips	•99 per bag •75 " cwt.
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stakeney Lya Potaboes (P.E.I.)A" 1.05 per bag .80 " cwt. Turnips Scotia Flour & Feed Co., Potatoes (Green Mountains) 1.05 per bag •90 " owt. Turnips Canada Packers Ltd., 98 per bag Potatoes (Whites) .80 " cwt. Turnips The tender of Canada Packers Ltd., being the lowest, was recommended for acceptance.

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Bell System / City Home

Carter & Smith Arthur & Conn Ltd. \$413,00 422,00

The tender of Carter & Smith, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Re-Wiring Superintendent's Residence

Carter & Smith\$289.00Arthur & Conn Ltd.297.00

The tender of Carter & Smith, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Inter-Phone system

Carter & Smith \$745.00 Arthur & Conn Ltd. 751.00

The tender of Carter & Smith, being the lowest, is recommended for acceptance.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Freda, CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Freda, seconded by

Alderman Landry that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

WAR TAX

Read report of the Charities Committee

re war tax.

Halifax, N. S., November 13th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

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

Members Present:- The Chairman, Aldermen Curtis, Breen, Landry and Kinley.

This committee has had under consideration the matter of paying a war tax placed on various commodities that are under contract to be supplied to the City Home.

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After considerable discussion it was recommended to have the City Solicitor submit a resolution to Council which reads as follows:-

"WHEREAS by Chapter Eight of the Statutes of Canada passed at the second session of the Parliament of Canada held in the year 1939 an amendment was made to the Special War Revenue Act for the purpose of extending the Eight per cent (8%) consumption or sales tax to certain commodities which had not previously thereto been taxed;

<u>AND WHEREAS prior to</u> the said amendment the City of Halifax had entered into contracts with certain persons for the supply of certain commodities, including commodities affected by the said amendment;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that the City offer to pay to such persons, over and above the contract price for such commodities, an amount equal to the consumption or sales tax imposed upon such commodities by the said amendment to the Special War Revenue Act, and to alter the said contracts accordingly.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Clerk be and they are hereby authorized to execute a memorandum, to be approved by the City Solicitor, setting out the said variation in the said contracts, after such memorandum has been executed by such persons".

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Freda, CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Freda, seconded by

Alderman Breen that the report be adopted. Motion

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passed.

FLOORS - CITY HOME

Read report of the Charities Committee

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Halifax, N. S.,
November 13th, 1939.
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The Charities Committee met this day
and beg to submit the following report.
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November 16th, 1939

Members Present:- The Chairman, Aldermen Curtis, Breen, Landry and Kinley.

> "BE IT RESOLVED that the matter of placing floors in the bathrooms of the City Home be done by hired help under the supervision of the Building Inspector and the Superintendent of City Home".

> > Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Freda, CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Freda, seconded by

Alderman Breen that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

REPAIRS TO SUPERINTENDENT'S RESIDENCE, CITY HOME

Read report of the Charities Committee

re repairs to Superintendent's residence, City Home.

Halifax, N. S., November 13th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor, and Members of City Council.

Gentlemen:-

The Charities Committee met this day and beg to submit the following resolution.

Members Present:- The Chairman, Aldermen Curtis, Breen, Landry and Kinley.

> BE IT RESOLVED that the matter of making necessary repairs to the Superintendent's residence be done by hired help under the supervision of the Building Inspector, the Carpenter and Superintendent of the City Home.

> > Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Freda, CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Freda, seconded by

Alderman Breen that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

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NOTICE OF MOTION BY ALDERMAN LLOYD RE BUSINESS AREA, QUINPOOL ROAD.

Alderman Lloyd informed Council that he will bring this matter before the Laws and Privileges Committee, to which Council agreed,

QUESTIONS

Alderman Curran asked why the purchase of a pumper and ladder truck for the Fire Department was delayed to this late date.

Alderman Adams, Chairman of the Firewards Committee, replied that the Chief of the Fire Department had requested that the matter be delayed until he had attended the Fire Chiefs Convention in California.

SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION - ROCKCLIFFE STREET

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November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 14th, 1939, the attached report of the Assistant City Engineer dated November 9th, 1939, recommending sewer and water extension to Lots Nos. 4 and 5, Rockcliffe Street, to serve proposed new houses, was on motion of Alderman Freda and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

November 9th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the Modern Homes Ltd, for the extension of the water and sover on Rockcliffe Street, to supply two or three houses on lots #4 and 3, that the required extension will be about 130 ft. in length. -273-

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The estimated cost of the sewer extension is \$902.00. The estimated assessment \$525.00.

The estimated cost of the water extension is \$441.76 and the estimated assessment is \$260.00.

It is recommended that the sewer and water be extended to lots #4 and 3 to serve the proposed new houses.

Respectfully submitted;

Wm. J. DeWolfe, ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded

by Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION - ROCKCLIFFE STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works and Alter Engineer re sewer and water extension, Rockcliffe Street.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 31st, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 31st, 1939, recommending sewer and water extension to serve a house being constructed on Lot No. 6 Rockcliffe Street, was on motion of Alderman Walker and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 31st, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of the Modern Homes Limited for the extension of the sewer and water on Rockcliffe Street to supply a house being erected on Lot No. 6, that the required extension will be about fifty (50°) feet from the present end of the pipes.

The estimated cost of the sewer is \$325.00. The estimated assessment \$250.00.

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The estimated cost of the water extension is \$200.00. The estimated assessment \$100.00.

It is recommended that the sewer and water be extended to service the house being constructed on Lot No. 6.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER. Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by

Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

CONNOLLY ROAD - WATER EXTENSION

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re Connolly Road, water extension.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 31st, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 16th, 1939, recommending extension of the water supply on Connolly Road, was on motion of Alderman Walker and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

> Walter Mitchell. MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN,

October 16th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application from H. R. Whitford for the extension of the water supply on Connolly Road, from Young Street northwardly, that there are two houses that would be supplied from this extension.

The length of pipe required is 210 feet, which includes the extension westwardly on Young Street.

The estimated cost is \$630.00 and the estimated assessment \$260.00.

It is recommended that the extension

be made.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded by

Alderman Donovan that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

PRESTON STREET EXPROPRIATION

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re Preston Street expropriation.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 31st, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 16th, 1939, and entitled "Preston Street - expropriation", together with the decision of His Honor Judge R. H. Murray, Halifax, N. S., dated October 11th, 1939, and his bill of the same date, were considered.

On motion of Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Freda, the said report of the City Engineer was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

> W. E. Donovan, DEPUTY MAYOR.

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His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

The Arbitrator, His Honor Judge R.H. Murray, has submitted his award in the expropriation of lands required for the widening of Preston Street from Mrs. Agnes J. Millie and Mrs. Bessie Lohnes.

Mrs. Lohnes' property is No. 102. The City paid into Court the sum of \$50.40, the amount claimed by the owner is \$859.37, and the award of the Arbitrator was \$275.00.

The number of Mrs. Millie's property is 106 Preston Street. The amount paid into Court was 3119.85, the amount claimed by the owner \$1,081.25 and the amount awarded by the Arbitrator \$495.00.

Costs amounting to \$75.00 are allowed to each of the above owners. Interest on the amounts awarded shall be paid by the City at the rate of 5% on \$275.00 and \$495.00 respectively, from the date of the expropriation. -276-

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There is also a bill from the Arbitrator for his costs and Court fees amounting to \$50.00. After discussing the award with the City Solicitor, it is considered advisable that it be accepted by the City and the above amounts paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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H. W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

EXTENSION OF BAKERY - BENS LIMITED

Read report of the Committee on

Works and City Engineer re extension of bakery,

Bens Limited.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 31st, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 31st, 1939, on an application from Bens Limited, to extend their bakery on the south side of Pepperell Street in the residential district, was considered.

On motion of Alderman Freda, seconded by Alderman Donovan, the said report was approved and the committee recommended to Council that the permission applied for, be granted.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 31st, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application from Ben's Limited, to extend their Bakery on the south side of Pepperell Street, that it is proposed to build an addition on the lot, 28 feet front by 66 feet deep, immediately adjoining their existing building to the westward. This is in the residential district.

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The proposed addition will be of concrete, one story high, of the same design as the present Bakery. The addition will square the present building.

There will be no more nuisance created from a residential point of view than exists at present and I can see no objection to the permit being granted.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by

Alderman MacKay that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

CLUB HOUSE - SEAFORTH STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re club house, Seaforth Street.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 31st, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 31st, 1939, on an application for permission to erect a temporary club house on Seaforth Street, near Oxford Street, to be used in connection with an out-door skating rink on the grounds of St. Theresa's Church, was considered.

On motion of Alderman O'Toole, seconded by Alderman Freda, the committee recommended to Council that the permission applied for be granted, provided an undertaking is given by the applicant that the building will be removed on or before the 30th of April, 1940.

Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 31st, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on an application for permission to erect a temporary club house on Seaforth Street near Oxford Street, that the building proposed to be erected is 15 feet front and 25 feet deep to be used in connection with an outdoor skating rink on the grounds of St. Theresa's Church. The building will be of a temporary nature.

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If the committee grants a permit an undertaking should be given by the applicant that the building will be removed on or before the 30th of April, 1940.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman O'Toole, seconded

by Alderman Lloyd that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

PARKWOOD TERRACE - STREET LIGHTING

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re Parkwood Terrace, street lighting.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on October 31st, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated October 26th, 1939, on an application for stmeet lights on Parkwood Terrace was considered.

On motion of Alderman Freda and Alderman Donovan the report recommending that two lights be ordered for this street, to be installed when funds are available, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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October 26th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of owners and occupants of property on Parkwood Terrace for street lights, that this street has two houses built on it, without any lighting on the street.

The estimated cost of installing two lights in this street is \$62.00 and the yearly maintenance \$40.00.

There is no question of the necessity for some lighting on this street and in order to give proper results, two should be installed.

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It is recommended that two lights be ordered for this street, to be installed when funds are available.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

WOODLAWN TERRACE - STREET LIGHTING

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Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re Woodlawn Terrace, street lighting.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held October 31st, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer on an application for street lights on Woodlawn Terrace was considered.

On motion of Alderman Freda and Alderman Donovan, the report recommending that two lights be ordered for this street to be installed when funds are available was on motion of Alderman Freda and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

October 26th, 1939.

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His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the application of owners and occupants of property on Woodlawn Terrace for street lights, that this street has four houses built on it near its south-end, without any lighting on the street.

The estimated cost of installing two lights in this street is \$62.00 and the yearly maintenance \$40.00.

There is no question of the necessity for some lighting on this street and in order to give proper results two should be installed.

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It is recommended that two lights be ordered for this street, to be installed when funds are available.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

BELLEVUE STREET - STREET LIGHT

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re Bellevue Street, street light.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 14th, 1939, the attached report of the Assistant City Engineer dated November 13th, 1939, recommending that a street light be placed on Bellevue Street, was considered.

The Committee recommended to Council that a light be placed on Bellevue Street when funds are available.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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November 13th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

Under date of November 24th, 1938, a report was made on the lighting of Bellevue Street, which report stated that when the estimates were under consideration the Committee would take the matter up.

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The estimated cost of installation of a 250 C.P.light is \$30.00 and the annual maintenance cost \$20.00.

I would recommend that a light be placed on this street.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe, ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

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Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded by by Alderman MacKay that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

SALE OF LOT - CONNAUGHT AVENUE

Read report of the Committee on Works and City Engineer re sale of lot, Connaught Avenue. November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 14th, 1939, the attached report of the Assistant City Engineer dated November 13th, 1939, on a letter from Mr. George S. Moffat, in which he submits an offer of \$100.00 for the portion of Lot No. 77 not required for street purposes on Connaught Avenue, was considered.

On motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Freda, the said report recommending that the offer of Mr. Moffat of \$100.00 be accepted, was approved and recommended to Council for adoption.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

November 13th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on a letter from Mr. George S. Moffat, in which he submits an offer of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) for the portion of Lot #77, not required for street purposes on Connaught Avenue.

This lot was purchased from Mrs. Margaret and Mr. W. P. Buckley in September 1937, at a cost of \$559.35. This amount included a valuation of \$300.00 for the whole lot only, the balance of the amount being made up of other contingencies.

The City Assessor values the whole lot at 0.07 per sq. ft. or a total of \$358.75. The portion asked for is 28% of the whole, which, at the rate assessed would be valued at \$101.50. Using the amount paid to Mr. and Mrs. Buckley (\$559.35), the present value for the 28% would be \$146.60.

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Lot #78 is assessed at \$500.00 and is the same size as Lot #77.

Since the City does not need the land in question, and it is not otherwise large enough for a building lot; it is recommended that the offer of Mr. Moffat of \$100.00 be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe, ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded

by Alderman Freda that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

PAYMENT TO STANDARD PAVING MARITIME LTD. FOR PAVING ROADWAY AT FLEMING PARK.

Read report of the Committee on Works

re payment to Standard Paving Maritime Limited for

paving roadway at Fleming Park.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council,

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 14th, 1939, the attached certificate of the Assistant City Engineer recommending payment to the Standard Paving Maritime Ltd., of the sum of \$4,000.00 in full, for paving the roadway at Fleming Park, was on motion of Alderman MacKay and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for payment.

Walter Mitchell,

MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman MacKay that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

Alderman Curran against.

FINAL CERTIFICATE - STANDARD PAVING MARITIME LTD. FOR REPAIRS TO PAVEMENT.

Read report of the Committee on Works

re final certificate, Standard Paving Maritime Ltd.

for repairs to pavement.

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The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 14th, 1939, the attached final certificate of the Assistant City Engineer recommending payment to the Standard Paving Maritime Limited, of the sum of Sixteen Hundred and Seven Dollars and Twenty-one Cents (\$1607.21) on account of their contract for repairs to permanent pavement, etc. was on motion of Alderman MacKay and Alderman Donovan, approved and recommended to Council for payment.

Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded

by Alderman Donovan that the report be adopted.

Motion passed.

CRUSHED STONE CONTRACT - FAIRVIEW CRUSHED STONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Read report of the Committee on

Works and City Engineer re crushed stone contract.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 14th, 1939, the attached report of the Assistant City Engineer dated November 8th, 1939, entitled "Crushed stone contract" was considered.

On motion of Alderman Freda and Alderman Walker, the committee recommended to Council that the City act under Clause 12 of the specification and pay the sum of \$260.40 to the contractor.

Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN,

November 8th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

The contract for crushed stone with the Fairview Crushed Stone Company, Limited, provides that the Committee on Works may, after the first of November, pay the contractor such proportion of moneys retained on the contract, as it may decide upon. -284-

On the date of the last certificate November 7th, 1939, the sum of \$520.79 (\$154.92 Permanent pavement and \$365.87 Streets) was retained by the City.

I can see no objection to the City acting under Clause 12 of the specification and paying the sum of Two Hundred and sixty dollars and forty cents (\$260.40) to the contractor.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J. DeWolfe, ASST. CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Freda, seconded by

Alderman Walker that the reports be adopted.

Motion passed.

OVERHANGING SIGNS - 100 SACKVILLE STREET

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re overhanging signs, 100

Sackville Street.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 14th, 1939, the attached report of the City Engineer dated August 16th, 1939, concerning two applications from the MacGregor Motors Limited, for permission to erect signs on the building #100 Sackville Street, consideration of which had been deferred by the Committee on Works on August 16th, 1939, was again considered, together with a letter dated November 3rd, 1939, from Mr. C. Malkin, Manager McGregor Motors Ltd., in reference to the said applications.

On motion of Alderman Donovan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd, the committee recommended to Council that the leases attached to the said report of the City Engineer be granted, in accordance with the original application of the MacGregor Motors Ltd.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

August 16th,1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on two applications from the MacGregor Mators Limited for permission to erect signs on the building No. 100 Sackville Street. -285-

One sign to be erected at the northeast corner of Briar Lane and the other one west of Briar Lane.

The signs are not neon and it is proposed to illuminate them with reflected light from over-hanging bulbs. The other signs on this building are neon signs and in my opinion, due to the prominence of the locality, any overhanging signs should be lighted by neon or similar lights.

Should the committee think otherwise I am attaching form of lease which shall have to be approved by the Council.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. Johnston, CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Alderman Donovan, seconded

by Alderman Lloyd that the report of the Committee

on Works be adopted. Motion passed.

SEWER OUTLET - HALIFAX SHIPYARDS LTD.

Read report of the Committee on Works

and City Engineer re sewer outlet, Halifax Shipyards Limited.

November 16th, 1939.

The City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on November 15th, 1939, the attached report of the Assistant City Engineer dated November 14th, 1939, on tenders received for the construction of sewer out-let at the Halifax Shipyards was considered.

On motion of Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Freda, the tender of Cosgrove Bros. at \$3700,00, as verbally recommended by the Assistant City Engineer, was recommended to Council for acceptance.

Reports of the City Engineer and Committee on Works dated July 10th and July 13th, 1939, respectively, relative to the proposed extension of this sewer outlet, were adopted by City Council on July 13th, 1939.

> Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN. -286-

November 14th, 1939.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report that two tenders were received in answer to advertisements inserted in Halifax newspapers; one from Cosgrove Bros. and one from the Standard Construction Company.

(1) For the construction of sewer outlet with wood piling protection:-

Cosgrove Brothers, per James Cosgrove \$3700.00 Standard Construction Co., per E.L. Thorng500.00

(2) For the construction of sewer outlet with stone Rip Rap protection:-

> Cosgrove Brothers, per James Cosgrove \$4000.00 Standard Construction Co., per E.L. Thorne, 4500.00

Certified cheques accompanied each tender.

Acting on your instructions I had an interview with Mr. James Cosgrove, of the firm of Sosgrove Bros., who told me that he is head of the organization and he seemed to have a good idea of the requirements necessary for such work as tendered on. He, personally, is a painter by occupation but has had contracts of a like nature several times in the past, but not in Halifax.

He has a brother who has had about twenty years experience in similar work and is a diver who has been, and is now, employed with the Dominion Construction Co. This brother is the foreman or manager in charge of any contracts which his firm may have.

Mr. Cosgrove informed me that the firm has no equipment, except diving apparatus, but intends to rent such if favored with this contract,

I think, from the Shipyards Company.

It will require about two or three days after an order is given before the creosoted lumber can be had, if the lumber is in stock.

The lowest bid on the proposed work was tendered by Cosgrove Brothers for No. 1 of the Schedule at \$3700.00.

Respectfully submitted,

Wm. J.	DeWo]	fe, ENGINEER.
ASST.	CITY	ENGINEER.

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Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Freda that the reports be adopted. Motion passed.

SUPT'S REPORT RE INMATES IN THE CITY HOME FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1939.

Read report of the Charities Committee for the month of October, 1939, showing the number of inmates in the City Home to be 461. FILED

DEPARTMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

Read report of the City Auditor re

departmental appropriations and expenditures. FILED

TAX COLLECTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1939.

Read report of the City Auditor re

tax collections for the month of October, 1939.

TAX COLLECTIONS, OCTOBER, 1939

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Civic Year Reserve	Outstanding Balances September	New Accounts and adjust- ments	October Collections	Outstanding Balances October.
1936-37 \$51,485.57 1937-38 64,831.50 1938-39 43,031.73	\$106,851,22 238,395,50 418,011.43 763,258,15		\$6,914,19 8,439,11 15,500,30 30,853,60	\$99,937.03 229,956.39 402,511.13 732,404.55

Current Taxes

1939-40 48,706.30	748,814.25	33,531.64 715,282.61
Water Dept, Rates, etc.	<u>74,286.49</u> 1,586,358.89	21,555.42 52,731.07 85,940.66 1,500,418.23
Poll Taxes 1933-34 1934-35 1935-36 1936-37 1937-38 1938-39 1939-40	547.90 1,817.94 1,640.42 1,815.53 1,898.26 5,353.25 18,501.50	$\begin{array}{rrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrrr$

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Additional Collections Tax years 1908-9 to 1928-25 Corresponding period last year	<u>1939-40</u> \$23.89	<u>1938-39</u> \$60.42
Tax years 1925-26 to 1935-36 Corresponding period last year	2,805.54	8,601.50
Collections per above statement Corresponding period last year	85,940.66 <u>88,770.09</u>	<u>59,177.66</u> 67,839,58
Collections of Poll Taxes May 1st,1939 to October 31st,1939 Corresponding period last year	16,334.12	14,105 . 23

A. M. Butler, CITY AUDITOR.

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9.35 P.M., Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by Alderman Donovan that this Council resolve itself into a committee of the whole Council. Motion passed.

The Council then convened as a committee of the whole Council. The following members being present:- His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen Breen, Batson, MacKay, Donovan, Kinley, Curran, Sullivan, Freda, Adams, Lloyd, J.F.McDonald, Keshen, Curtis, Walker, W.A.MacDonald

and Landry.

The Mayor informed the committee that it is the wish of the Department of National Defence to install a searchlight in Fort Needham and requests permission of the City Council to do so. Moved by Alderman Keshen, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the request be granted. Motion passed. -289-

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Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by

Alderman Donovan that the committee of the whole Council reconvene as the City Council. Motion passed.

The City Council then reconvened; the same members being present.

The following resolution was then submitted:-

THAT the Mayor be authorized to advise the Officer Commanding M.D.#6 that the City will permit a portion of Fort Needham to be used by the Searchlight Battery until the conclusion of the war and permission is given to erect such shelters thereon as may be necessary and that no charge be made for this permission.

Moved by Alderman Lloyd, seconded by

Alderman Keshen that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

9.45 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman Walker, seconded

by Alderman Keshen that this meeting do now adjourn.

Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

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Walter Mitchell, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

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W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.



AFTERNOON SESSION

SPECIAL MEETING.

5.00 o'clock, Council Chamber, City Hall, November 20th,1939. のと語われたというないであるとないない。

A meeting of the City Council was held this day. There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; and Aldermen Batson, MacKay, Donovan, Curran, Sullivan, Freda, Adams, Lloyd, Keshen, Curtis, Walker and W.A.MacDonald.

The meeting was called specially to consider a resolution re the establishment of a hostel in the City for the use of men in His Majesty's services, and a contribution by the City thereto.

Read letter from His Worship the

Mayor as follows:-

November 16th, 1939.

Members of the City Council.

Dear Aldermen:-

Since the outbreak of war, as you know, Halifax has had large numbers of service men in its midst, and with a continuance of war we can expect a still larger number. A number of our citizens have been worried over the fact that when these large numbers of men are granted leave in the City there is no central meeting place which they can have for recreation or in general is there

accommodation where they can obtain comfortable quarters for the night.

Colonel Webb of the Canadian Legion, British Empire Service League, has been in the City the past two days making an investigation of the whole situation and has asked the City, through me, to contribute up to Fifteen percent of the cost of such a hostel as the Canadian Legion and its committee may obtain, with a maximum expenditure for the City of \$15,000.00. I understand that the Provincial Government are prepared to pay Twentyfive percent of the cost, not to exceed \$25,000.00, and apparently it will cost at least \$100,000.00 to put this project into commission. It is proposed that the balance of this sum will be obtained from the Federal Government in Ottawa.

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November 20th, 1939.

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There is no doubt but that the situation is a serious one and must be taken care of, but there may be some question as to whether or not it is a matter solely for the Department of National Defence and the Dominion Government.

However, prompt action must be taken and apparently if the City will contribute as outlined above it will expedite matters.

Yours truly,

Walter Mitchell, MAYOR.

5.05 P.M.,

Alderman Kinley arrives and takes

his seat in Council.

The following resolution was then

submitted.

BE IT RESOLVED that legislation be submitted to the next session of the Legislature to enable the City to make a contribution towards the establishment of an hostel in the City of Halifax for members of His Majesty's Forces, such contribution not to exceed fifteen percent (15%) of the cost of establishing such hostel and in no event to exceed the sum of \$15,000.00.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that legislation be also submitted to the said Legislature to enable the City to raise the said sum by a special tax on all persons, firms and corporations assessed for Business Tax and liable for Special Taxes under Section 361 of the Charter, for the civic year 1940-41.

Moved by Alderman MacKay, seconded by

Alderman Donovan that the resolution as submitted be

approved.

Alderman Batson stated that he wished

to go on record as being in favor of the establishment of a hostel, regardless of the cost, but was opposed to liquor being sold in the canteen.

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The motion was then put and passed,

10 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:-

AGAINST IT

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Aldermen Curran Curtis Freda

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Aldermen Adams Batson Donovan Keshen Kinley Lloyd W.A.MacDonald MacKay Sullivan Walker -10-

FOR THE MOTION

5.20 P.M.,

Moved by Alderman Kinley, seconded

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

Meeting adjourned.

ter Mitchell MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

W. P. Publicover, GITY CLERK.

