#### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S., July 5, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment.

Percy L. Bentley \$889.50
The City of Halifax 250.00
Imperial Cil Limited 449.00
Colwell Bros. Ltd. 1,369.96

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, DEFUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### PURCHASE ENGINE PARTS FOR PUMPER

Halifax, N. S., July 5, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, a report from the Fire Chief requesting permission to secure a number of new engine parts for the pumper at Oxford Street Station, at an approximate cost of \$1,200.00, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the Chief's request be granted; funds for same to be provided by the current estimates.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Moriarty

that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### DAMAGES TO PARKING METER

Halifax, N. S., July 5, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, the Chief of Police submitted a cheque in the amount of \$85.00 as payment for damages to a Parking Meter and recommended that the claim be settled for the amount involved.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation and further

recommends that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute a release on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Adams, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S., July 4, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

#### TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Parke-Davis & Co. Ltd. McGurdy Printing Cc. Ltd. J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd. Gogswell's Photo Supplies Ltd. Merck & Co. Ltd. """ Howards' Limited	\$ 1,002.28 241.75 1,973.86 282.45 341.04 341.04 1,619.41
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## HALIFAX INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL

			\$ 250.35
Howards' Limited	•	1	\$ 250.35 521.54
Parke-Davis & Co. Ltd.			J22-65 ·

#### CITY HOME

Howards Limited J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd. J. & M. Murphy Ltd. The Ogilvie Flour Mills Co. Ltd. Northern Electric Co. Limited	\$ 906.67 1,755.88 1,113.86 256.15 428.50
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Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## PURCHASE OF X-RAY EQUI PMENT

Halifax, N. S., July 4, 1951.

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

The Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting

held on the above date considered a report from the Commissioner of Health recommending the purchase of X-Ray Equipment at a cost of approximately \$3,600.00; funds for same to be provided from the bequest of the late George R. Hart and that a suitable engraved plaque be placed on the squipment.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the report be approved.

The motion was put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Lane, Adams, Macdonald, Donahoe, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

### TENDERS FOR GARBAGE (HOSPITALS)

Halifax, N. S., July 4, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date tenders for the removal of garbage from the Tuberculosis and Infectious Diseases Hospitals were considered from the following

G. Suksdorf \$30.00 per month and supply containers
Allan W. Evans \$30.00 per month.

Your Committee recommends that the tender of Mr. Allan W. Evans be approved providing he will supply the containers necessary for this purpose.

Alderman Lane dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the report be approved.

Alderman Breen: "What follow up is there. I believe it is for the feeding of hogs and these hogs find their way into the City of Halifax."

Dr. Morton: "That is quite true. Anyone raising hogs has to have his equipment inspected by the Department of Agriculture."

Alderman Lane: "For the sake of \$360.00 I feel the whole process should be done away with. To release garbage to be fed to pigs which find their way into the City, I would like to be assured that the Commissioner of Health has seen it autoclaved. I have had several calls following the publication of our Committee minutes the other day from people in the City who agree that it should not be done."

Alderman Donahoe: "I believe it is proper for us to accept the word of responsible officials that the safety of the public is looked after by the Federal Government. This has been going on for years. If it is wrong it should not be allowed to continue. We are guided by the opinion of experts. We are told that the provisions of the Act requires certain processing and treatment. We are assured by the medical men that if that treatment is going ahead, the public is adequately protected."

His Worship the Mayor requested the Commissioner of Health to make a very definite statement with respect to the safety of the people.

Dr. Morton: "I have no control over the garbage after it leaves the City. It is under the control of the Department of Agriculture. To the best of my knowledge the Department carries out the inspection. I have never seen it done."

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Breen that this matter be referred back to the Public Health & Welfare Committee so it may request a letter from the Department of Agriculture and in the meantime that the garbage be destroyed at the Incinerator. Amendment passed.

### ACCOUNT DR. PLUMER

Halifax, N. S., July 4, 1951.

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

The Public Health and Welfare Committee at a meeting held on the above date approved and recommended for payment an account of Dr. R. F. Plumer amounting to the sum of \$145.00 covering professional services rendered to a Ward of the Children's Aid Society.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### DISPUTED ACCOUNT WELFARE RELIEF

Halifax, N.S., July 4, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date, the matter of Municipalities refusing to reimburse the City of Halifax for the costs of welfare relief provided to needy unemployed employables in cases where settlement is determined to be other than the City was considered.

Your Committee recommends that as a test case, the City Solicitor be requested to take action against the Town of Windsor for the recovery of amounts expended for welfare relief, where the settlement of the recipients was found to be in that Town.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Duffy

that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### SALE OF ANTIQUATED SHOWER

Halifax, N. S., July 4, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date, an offer from Mr. W. P. Morriscey to pay the sum of Five Dollars for an antiquated shower at the Tuberculosis Hospital was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the offer be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the report be approved. Motion passed.

REZONING RUSSELL, GOTTINGEN, ROOME AND BARRINGTON STREETS

June 29th, 1951.

#### Request for Rezoning

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on June 26th, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer again recommending against an application from Mr. J. A. McKenna to rezone an area bounded by Russell, Gottingen, Roome and Barrington Streets, from RL Residential to R2 Residential was considered.

The Committee recommended that this be forwarded to City Council to set a date for a public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved and Council fix Thursday, August 16, 1951 at 8:00 P. M. in the City Council Chamber as the time and place for the hearing. Motion passed.

## RESUBDIVISION LOTS CONNAUGHT AVENUE

July 6th, 1951.

# Resubdivision of City Owned Lots - Commanght Avenue

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on July 3rd, the attached Plan No. AA-1-11664A showing resubdivision of City owner property on Connaught Avenue was presented for a public hearing.

As no objections were received the Board recommended that the resubdivision be approved and the necessary By-Laws prepared for submission and approval of the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.
Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report and By-Law be approved. Motion passed.

## RESUBDIVISION LOTS RITCHIE DRIVE, INCLIS ST. ETC.

July 11th, 1951.

#### Re Greenwood Resubdivision -Beaufort Avenue

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on July 9th, the attached Plan No. 00-4-11812 showing a resubdivision of the above property was presented for a public hearing.

As no objections to the plan were received, the Board recommended to Council that the resubdivision be approved and the necessary By-Laws prepared for submission and approval of the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover. CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report and By-Law be approved. Motion passed.

## ACCOUNTS OVER \$500.00

July 6th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council,

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 3rd, the following accounts were approved, subject to audit, and recommended for payment:-

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\$	1850.00
Butler Bros Can. General Electric Co. Ltd	1289.28 938.28
Martine 11 And DON	1545.72
Canadian Industries Ltd. = 2222.05	2002 44
	9 <b>8</b> 03.66 2000.00
T. A. S. DeWolf and Son Ltd	4964.89
Hills and Sons Ltd Imperial Oil Ltd	3648.83 3948.46
Inving Oil Co. Ltd Contracting Ltd	1463.83
Manager pol Spraville and South	937.20
McDermaid agencies Durading Co.	507.76
Quebec and Maritime Hadden 821.86 Standard Clay Products Ltd 821.86	1818.46
Thompson, Adams and Co. Ltd	9376.73
Thompson, Adams and	

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

J. B. Sabean, Per CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf Motion passed. that the report be approved.

## EXCHANGE OF LAND GENERAL TRUST & EXECUTOR CORPORATION

July 6th, 1951.

Re Exchange of land -General Trust and Executor Corporation

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 3rd the question of the exchange between the City and the General Trust and Executor Corporation of land lying between the proposed Memorial Drive and Basin View Drive and north of Lady Hammond Road, was again considered.

The Committee recommended that the proposed exchange be made and that the General Trust and Executor Corporation pay the sum of \$1,000.00, based on the value in 1946 when they were negotiating for the land as outlined in yellow on Plan No. QQ1-11661.

Alderman Macdonald and Alderman MacMillan dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

J. B. Sabean, Per CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved.

Alderman Macdonald suggested that this matter should have gone to the Finance and Executive Committee before going to Council.

His Worship the Mayor stated that perhaps it should have but that it was in order for it to come to Council from the Committee on Works.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Lane that this matter be referred to the Finance and Executive Committee. **-** 556 **-** .

The motion was put and resulted in a tie vote 6 voting for the same and 6 against it as follows:

#### FOR THE MOTION

#### AGAINST IT

Alderman Adams

Fox Hatfield Lane Macdonald MacMillan Alderman Breen DeWolf Donaho

Donahoe Duffy Moriarty Vaughan

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His Worship the Mayor cast his vote against the amendment and declared it lost.

Alderman Lane: "We have no written evidence."

His Worship the Mayor: "There was a letter produced in Committee."

Alderman Macdonald: "I have asked for that information, but I have not received it that there was any commitment made in the transfer of this property. If that can be shown to me I am quite willing to go along with it."

His Worship the Mayor: "This matter has been labored in Committee on three occasions and we found a definite commitment."

that negotiations had been carried on. About three weeks ago Mr. Daley withdrew his application, but it has come back again. The letter found at City Field pertained to the lot bought for \$250.00. This particular lot is 51,000 sq. ft. and has 12 building lots. We want to sell it for \$1,000.00 without calling for tenders. The policy has been adopted to call for tenders for City land to be sold."

His Worship the Mayor: "I did read a letter in the Works Committee, where certain transactions were entered into. If somebody failed to carry through why should I be punished when a moral obligation very definitely exists in 1946 or 1947. I voted against the deferment because I think it is in the public interest to get this matter cleared up. There was a commitment somewhere."

other lands. There must have been an understanding dealing with this matter if we are to get something from them if we give them something. The other party to the agreement was of the opinion that it had purchased this particular land we are now discussing. I am satisfied the City is receiving a fair return for this land in view of the land previously received. It should be disposed of here tonight."

Alderman Mandonald: "If there was a misunderstanding it could be on the part of the General Trust & Executor Corporation. I would like to have the Solicitor's report read."

Alderman Hatfield asked if it were the policy in 1946 to approve of the land.

Alderman DeWolf: "In answer to Alderman Hatfield the idea of the exchange was these people were giving up land for a street in exchange for some other land and they offered \$250.00 for another parcel of land. I do say this that these people in all good faith expected and thought they had bought that land. A number of firemen have already started to build. I would say \$1,000.00 is very fair. I think it is a good payment based on that date. When they looked at the agreement they found they did not have the deed."

Alderman Hatfield: "Was it required in 1946 that all agreements go through Council?"

His Worship the Mayor: "I think you are right there."

Alderman Lane: "Could Alderman DeWolf give us the approximate value of that same piece of land according to present day standards, so that we might know how much these mistakes cost?"

Alderman DeWolf replied that he could not comply with this request.

Alderman Moriarty stated that he was a member of the Committee on Works at that time and he considered that the City was getting a very good deal in exchange of the land. At that

time he advised that the land was very rough and that he would be satisfied to go along with this matter when it would mean providing an area for 10 homes and from which taxes would be derived and the housing situation met with to some degree.

Man DeWolf had in mind when he speke about it. There should be some records in the Council minutes which have not been shown to me yet. I certainly think if there were an agreement or exchange the Trust Company should have it."

His Worship the Mayor: "I do say there are very definite items in the Committee on Works approving that the matter was processed and the intention exists."

Alderman Masdonald stated that the land in question containing 51,000 sq. ft. was being sold for approximately two cents at the \$1000.00 price.

Alderman DeWolf advised that land had been sold to the Standard Paving Co. Ltd. at 2¢ per sq. ft. to which Alderman Macdonald replied that that land was back of the Company's plant towards the Basin and near Africville.

and in keeping with the going price in the area. The plan cannot be found. He could find no definite policy on the paying of service pay to City employees but the City has been paying it just the same. There is nothing in the records, but the City has been doing it. He said the reason why the plan could not be found was no reason why this transaction should be held up.

Alderman Lane asked if the City were still doing business with the General Trust & Executor Corporation or was it merged
with some other Company and was advised that it is now under the
Canada Permanent Mortgage Company. She asked if the Canada Permanent Mortgage Company had made second mortgages on these properties
to which Alderman Vaughan advised in the negative.

Alderman Fox questioned why the Trust Company representat-

ives were not present and was advised by His Worship the Mayor that they had been attending the meetings of the Committee on Works.

Alderman Macdonald: "We sold by tender a portion of land in the vicinity for \$1700.00 that contained  $2\frac{1}{2}$  lots."

His Worship the Mayor: "I am not demurring in that at all. The point is that the previous Government made a commitment and we are trying to settle it."

Alderman Donahoe: "Not only did these people buy the land, but they borrowed money and proceeded to build homes on it. Does the City propose to say that these people walked in there without a shadow of authority. They torrowed money and built homes on this very property. They exist. Are we going to expropriate those homes because we can't find in our City records a plan that would substantiate it? The land is reasonably developed and they are completing homes. It is only common justice that we should recognize the action of a previous Committee on Works. We should recognize this situation and realize that no body of men could have done what these men have done without realizing they fully owned the land."

Alderman Macdonald: "Are there any homes erected on this land?"

Mr. Snook: "No. There are some basements started."

Alderman Hatfield: "Is the title vested in the City of Halifax?"

City Assessor: "Yes."

Alderman Hatfield: "How did they get this property without searching the title?"

Alderman Donahoe stated that when the remaining portion of this land went to be developed the flaw was disclosed and it is only now that the title has come that it is not correct.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Macdonald that in accordance with the policy of the City this land be advertised by tender.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

His Worship the Mayor: "I say there is sufficient evidence of a transaction being in process of an exchange of land at that time to sell me the idea. What we are doing is above board and we are trying to iron out a situation."

Alderman Duffy: "What will the people do who have purchased lots if it is put up for tender?"

Has Worship the Mayor: "This Government did not make the mistake."

Alderman Moriarty: "Is the plan of that subdivision and street still on record?"

His Worship the Mayor: "We haven't been able to find it."

Alderman Mortarty: "In justice to the people that went to the expense of foundations and lumber, we would be doing a vast injustice and leaving ourselves open for a law suit which would cost us more money and would be depriving the people from going ahead with the project."

Alderman Harfield asked to be excused from voting as the said he did not have enough information on the subter.

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The motion was then put and resulted in a tie vote o voting for the same and o against it as follows:

### FOR THE MOTION

MAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf Moriarty Breen Donahoe Duffy Vaughan Alderman Lanc Adama Macdonald Fox Hatfield MacMillan

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His Worship the Mayor east his vote in favor of the motion and declared it passed.

## PURCHASE OF PROPERTY MUMFORD & CHEBUCTO ROADS

July 6th 1951.

Re "Milburn" Property Chebucto Road and Mumford Road

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 3rd, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works in regard to widening Mumford Road at the corner of Chebucto Road was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to Council. Aldermen DeWolf and Vaughan dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 3rd, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen: Re: "Milburn" Property - Chebucto Road & Mumford Road.

An estimate has been prepared to compare the cost of widening the east side of Mumford Road instead of acquiring the "Milburn" property.

Working on the assumption of maintaining a sixty (60') foot street using the "Milburn" property as the west street line the estimated cost of construction alone is \$15,000.00.

The cost of the property to be acquired, if it could be obtained at all, would be very high because it practically cuts off the entrance to St. Agnes Church. See Plan #QQ-3-11831.

In view of the above, I would recommend that the offer of D. R. Milburn be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved.

The City Assessor outlined the transaction for the information of Council and stated that expropriation proceedings was a gamble when the matter was taken to Court as the matter of sympathy entered into the situation when a person's property is being taken.

He said he was advised that the cost would be \$14,880.00 and that the actual construction work is what the City was paying Mr. Milburn for, plus the jib of land.

Alderman Fox: "Who is the contractor?"

City Assessor: "His own. I don't want to disclose that.

In years to come it would be more expensive to purchase the property if Mr. Milburn improved it."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that this property be expropriated.

Alderman DeWolf stated that expropriation proceedings could cost considerable money and questioned the necessity of purchasing this land as the City had got along for 200 years withcut it.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works for re-examination as to the necessity of the acquisition of this land.

The motion to refer was then put and passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen Adams, Breen, DeWolf, Donahoe, Duffy, Fox, Hatfield, Lane, Macdonald, MacMillan, Moriarty and Vaughan.

#### DUMPING FILL BEDFORD BASIN

June 29th, 1951.

Re - License to Dump Fill - C. N. R. Lands - Bedford Basin

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on June 26th, the attached letter from the City Solicitor in regard to a license from the Canadian National Railways to dump fill on certain lands at Bedford Basin as shown on Plan attached to the license, was recommended to City Council for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 12, 1951.

June 26th, 1951.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works.

Centlemen: -

I attach herewith in triplicate copies of a license from the Canadian National Railways permitting the City to dump fill on certain land at Bedford Basin as shown to the plan attached to the license, comprising 165, 300 square feet.

This has been submitted to the Commissioner of Works who finds the terms and location satisfactory.

It should now be submitted to the City Council for approval and authorization for the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the same on behalf of the City.

Please return these documents to me when the same have been approved by the Council.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune, CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report te approved. Motion passed.

Alderman Breen: "Has that anything to do with the lease for the cattleshed?"

Mr. Harris: "No."

Alderman Breen: "Where does the City stand with that lease?"

City Assessor: "I was instructed to contact Mr. Picker-ing and he tells me that the matter is at the Montreal Office and he is waiting word."

### STREET LIGHTING BAYERS ROAD

June 29th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on June 26th, the attached report from the City Electrician recommending street lighting improvements on Bayers Road at an approximate cost of \$403.16 was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.
Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### SEWER EXTENSION GEPHART STREET

June 29th 1951.

#### Re Sewer Extension - Gephart Street

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on June 26th, the attached report from the Deputy Commissioner of Works recommending a sewer extension on Gephart Street to cover three lots, at an estimated cost of \$2,000.00, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### SEWER EXTENSION ISNOR & ROMANS AVENUES

June 29th 1951.

## Re Sewer Extension - Isnor Avenue and Romans Avenue

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on June 26th, the attached report from the Deputy Commissioner of Works recommending that a sewer be laid on Isnor Avenue at an estimated cost of \$3,600.00 and on Romans Avenue at an estimated cost of \$2970.00, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### SEWER EXTENSION DARTMOUTH AVENUE

June 29th, 1951.

#### Re Sewer Extension - Dartmouth Avenue

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on June 26th, the attached report from the Deputy Commissioner of Works recommending that a sewer be ordered along Dartmouth Avenue under our agreement with the Halifax Relief Commission, at an estimated cost of \$1750.00, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

June 25, 1951.

To His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen: -

Under our agreement with the Halifax Relief Commission we are required to install sewer and water services along Dart-mouth Avenue in order that the buildings now located on Fort Needham may be moved.

The estimated cost of the sewer installation is \$1,750.00 and the estimated assessment \$400.00.

The cost of the services to the houses will run to about \$250.00 each but I presume this amount will be borne by the Halifax Relief Commission.

I recommend that the sewer be ordered.

Respectfully submitted,

Edward C. Thomas, Deputy Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### MOVING PREFABRICATED HOUSE

June 29th 1951.

Re: Highland Avenue - Formerly Woodbine Avenue

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on June 26th, the attached report from the City Assessor in regard to moving the prefabricated house at No. 29 Rosemeade Avenue to a lot on Highland Avenue, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

June 25, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Board of Works, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen: - Re: Lot Highland Avenue formerly Woodbine Avenue

Under the proposed plan for Normandy Drive it will be necessary to move the prefabricated house now located at 29 Rose-meade Avenue and the occupant of this house has agreed to purchase the same and have it moved to the lot on Highland Avenue. He the same and have it moved to the lot on Highland Avenue. He would, of course, be responsible for the erection of the foundation would, of course, be responsible for the erection of the foundation and completion of the chimney at the new address. I would, therefore, recommend that this lot be transferred to the Prefab Committee fore, recommend that this lot be transferred to the Prefab Committee so that we can complete the sale with the occupant of 29 Rosemeade Avenue.

Yours very truly,

J. F. McManus, CITY ASSESSOR.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### LEASE SUNSHINE SWIMMING CLUB

June 29th, 1951.

## Application from Sunshine Swimming Club

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

The attached application from the Sunshine Swimming Club for renewal of their lease of the Public Baths Property at the North West Arm was considered at a meeting of the Committee on Works on June 26th.

The Committee approved the application and recommended that the lease be renewed under the usual terms and conditions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.
Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Macdonald, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved.

Alderman DeWolf asked who the Sunshine Swimming Club members were to which His Worship the Mayor replied that the Club has had the privilege of leasing this area year after year.

The motion was put and passed with Alderman DeWolf wishing to be recorded against.

### TRANSMISSION LINES NEW WESTMOUNT SUBDIVISION

July 11th, 1951.

## Re Transmission Lines - Westmount Subdivision

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on June 9th, the attached report from the City Assessor recommending that a release be given to the Crown Assets Disposal Corporation and/or His Majesty the King in the right of Canada in regard to removing certain transmission lines and any holes that may occur as a result of such removal, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 5, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Board of Works, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

I attach a letter from Mr. Angus Gladwin, Lands and Buildings Representative, Crown Assets Disposal Corporation.

Sometime ago when the Corporation was disposing of its assets at the former Chebucto Barracks area it sold the Nova Scotia Light and Power Company certain Transmission Lines and Equipment with the understanding that these would be removed and any holes that may occur as a result of such removal would be filled in within a period of sixty days from the date of purchase. led in within a period of sixty days from the date of purchase. In as much, however, as the City has continued to use some of the buildings for housing purposes it was necessary for the Light the buildings for housing purposes it was necessary for the Light and Power Company to continue to use the facilities and hence they have been unable to fulfill their part of the contract insother have been unable to fulfill their part of the contract insother as the removal was concerned. How long before they will be

July 12, 1951. able to complete this part of the contract one is unable to say depending, of course, on how long we will require to use the buildings for housing purposes. The Corporation is anxious to close out its file on the matter and it has suggested that the City give to the Corporation a release of any further responsibility in respect to removal or backfilling. The land in question is proposed to be used for further development of the Westmount Subdivision either for homes or a shopping area and with this in mind I can not see that there would be a great deal of difficulty in the City giving this release as undoubtedly the land will be definitely used for some purpose as indicated above and these Transmission Lines would not seriously interfere with the future development of the area. I would, therefore, recommend that the release be given to the Crown Assets Disposal Corporation and/or his Majesty the King in the right of Canada. Yours very truly, J. F. McManus, CITY ASSESSOR. Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed. PETITION SIDEWALK WILLIAM HUNT AVENUE July 11th, 1951.

## Petition for Sidewalk - William Hunt Avenue

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 9th, the attached letter and petition to have a sidewalk constructed along the North side of William Hunt Avenue, between Edward Arab Avenue and Mumford Road, was considered.

The length of the block is approximately 200 feet and the estimated cost \$1,000,00 with an estimated assessment of \$430.00.

The Committee recommended that this work be ordered to be done.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved.

Alderman Vaughan stated that he had asked that Highland Avenue be given consideration for sidewalk and he was told that it would have to wait till next year.

Alderman Hatfield stated that there was a petition sent

to the City and it was approved.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the Wm. Hunt Avenue sidewalk would go on the order paper.

Alderman MacMillan stated that he had received the petition and that he had visited the locality and he had seen what the property owners had to contend with after each rain storm. He felt the residents were justified in making the request and that the sidewalk should be constructed at this time. He suggested that the Aldermen visit the site.

His Worship the Mayor: "Is the Engineer satisfied that the sidewalk will stop the water?"

Commissioner of Works: "Yes."

Alderman Vaughan: "Where are they getting the money from?"
His Worship the Mayor: "The Department of Municipal Affairs.

All Council can do is to order it if it is not on the list."

The motion was then put and passed and the matter of the construction of this work was left with the Commissioner of Works.

### WATER EXTENSION NEW WEBSTER SUBDIVISION

July 11th, 1951.

Re Water Extension New Webster Subdivision

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 9th, the attached report from the Public Service Commission requesting approval of the proposed water extension in the New Webster Subapproval of the proposed water extension in the New Webster Subapproval, shown on Drawing D329, at an estimated cost of \$9,300.00, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 12, 1951.
July 5th, 1951.

The Commissioner of Works, and The Commissioner of Finance, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Gentlemen:-

Enclosed herewith is our drawing number D-329 showing thereon marked in red the proposed water extension in the new Webster sub-division. This is estimated to cost \$9300. and from the estimated revenue available it would not be self-supporting but will require a cash contribution from the owners of \$2000. towards the capital cost. This has been tentatively agreed to by the owners. Subject to this condition this extension was approved by the Public Service Commission at a meeting held on June 25th, 1951.

I therefore respectfully request the approval of City Council for this project.

This is provided for in the 1951 budget and therefore no borrowing will be necessary at this time as any money which may be required will be secured from the bank and any financing necessary will be done when the total year's construction work has been completed.

Yours very truly,

Ira P. Macnab,

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION ROWE AVENUE

July 12th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

The Committee on Works at a meeting held today, considered the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that approximately 220 feet of sewer, at an estimated cost of that approximately 220 feet of sewer may precede the laying \$2,200.00, be ordered, so that the sewer may precede the laying of the water pipe as per request received from the Public Service Commission asking for approval.

The Committee approved the report and recommended that City Council give approval of the laying of the sewer and water mains.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Re: Sewer and Water Extension Rowe Avenue.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:

A request was received from the Public Service Commission asking the approval of City Council for the extension of the water main from Bayers Road northwardly approximately three hundred and eighty (380°) feet, to serve six dwellings now under construction, two of which are almost completed.

It is recommended that before this water pipe is laid that approximately two hundred and twenty (220°) feet of sewer be laid, which will eventually be continued northwardly when an outlet is provided.

It is therefore recommended that this length of sewer, namely two hundred and twenty (220%) feet, at an estimated cost of \$2,200.00, be ordered, so that the sewer may precede the laying of the water pipe in a combined trench and thus a considerable saving would be obtained.

When the outlet is available this sewer will then be assessed at the fixed rate of \$2.50 per foot, making the estimated Sewer Assessment \$1,100.00.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### ORNAMENTAL TREE LIST 1951

A list of the ornamental trees planted on various streets in the City for the year 1951 was submitted.

FILED

## CLAIM DAMAGES TO TRAFFIC LIGHT STANDARD

July 12th, 1951.

## Release of Claim Against W. N. Wickwire

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today the attached cheque and release from Messrs. Oatway and Thompson Ltd. in connection with damage done to a traffic light standard at the intersection of Cogswell and Trollope Streets on June 7th 1951, was considered.

The standard was repaired at a cost of \$188.14.

The Committee approved the release and recommended to Council that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to sign same on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Macdonald that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### ACCOUNT OVER \$200,00

Halifax, N. S., July 4, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Recreation Committee held on the above date an account of the Sports Lodge amounting to \$228.60 was approved and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Duffy, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report be approved.

Motion passed.

### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200,00

Halifax, N. S., July 6, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

C. S. Barkhouse \$ 533.50 J. Bert MacDonald 280.00

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### NOTICE OF MOTIONS ALDERMAN HATFIELD

Alderman Hatfield gave notice that at the next regular meeting of the City Council he would move: (1) That in future all authorization for payment of City funds must first be referred to the Finance & Executive Committee of the City of Halifax for consideration before being effective and before being brought before City Council. (2) That at the first meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee following a City Council meeting the additional current expenses authorized for payment above those approved in the budget must be itemized in full by the Finance Department and presented as a statement to the Finance & Executive Committee and a copy forwarded to all the Aldermen before the meeting of the Council immediately following the meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee. This statement to show all the previous amounts approved since the first of the calendar year and the sub-total carried forward each month. (3) That the Capital Borrowings approved for the current year be itemized each month and carried forward in the same way as the current expenses.

#### RENT CONTROL

Alderman Duffy stated that Rent Control was not showing on the agenda. He said he had received a lot of complaints that rents had jumped.

on the last 4 or 5 meetings is very definite on rent control.

I endeavoured to bring it into Council and I failed in my attempt. The Solicitor is trying to get on common ground between the two By-Laws and expected to have something here tonight. It is useless to labor it are come into Council and think they will pass it. I have been for it but Council won't institute rent control. On the other hand there are certain conditions that exist in the City and if we agree upon some sort of a committee to carry on and alleviate these conditions, I would be willing

to place this before Council. When the Solicitor returns he will have the document and I will call a special meeting of Council to deal with it."

Alderman Lane asked if she could have an assurance from His Worship the Mayor that he would call a special meeting and stated that it was not only the people in the low income brackets affected but the white collared class as well.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would promise a meeting.

Alderman Donahoe stated that he was taking violent exception to the remarks made by His Worship the Mayor that Council would not pass rental control. He said he believed that Council would pass a measure of rental control that would be fair and equitable to both landlord and tenant.

His Worship the Mayor stated that in every case he was blocked by legal opinion.

Alderman Donahoe stated that the need was very great as a great deal of hardship is being placed upon people in not only the white collared class. He said Council should consider the matter again notwithstanding its failure in the past.

Alderman Fox advised that he had called the City
Clerk's Department about putting this item on the agenda and he
was told it could be brought up by any Alderman in question period.
He said he remembered an item in Council where \$1400.00 was
involved and nobody could tell him how it was put on the agenda.

His Worship the Mayor stated it could have been put on from the Rental Committee if a meeting had been called.

#### McLEAN BARRACKS

alderman Moriarty stated that residents in the south end of the City have been calling him with respect to the people living in McLean Barracks. He said the health of those people is cause for alarm and suggested that the Public Health and Welfare Committee look into the matter with a view to some remedy for the situation. He stated the children are sick and the people in the vicinity are concerned.

The City Assessor advised that McLean Barracks is part of the City Home.

Alderman Breen advised that the funds to run the Barracks were deleted from the current estimates.

The matter was then referred to the Public Health and Welfare Committee.

#### DOGS

Alderman MacMillan drew attention to the fact that large numbers of stray dogs are destroying gardens and upsetting garbage cans all over the City as well as being a menace to children.

He stated he understood the S.P.C. would furnish a pound for these dogs. He felt a dog catcher should be appointed as soon as possible. A number have been brought before the courts but were dismissed for want of a penalty. He suggested showing these dog owners that the City can do something about it.

Alderman Hatfield advised the Alderman that the Chief of Police was instructed by the Safety Committee to bring in a report on the cost of an equipment for a dog catcher.

His Worship the Mayor stated that in the 1951 legislation the grant to the S.P.C. was increased from \$1500.00 to \$2500.00 and it is written into that legislation "for the impounding and destroying of stray animals. The matter now would be the appointment of a dog catcher.

#### RENT CONTROL

Alderman Duffy stated that the labor organization are very anxious to have the matter of rent control settled and asked for an assurance from His Worship the Mayor that he would call a special meeting to deal with this matter as soon as the City Solicitor has prepared a new By-Law.

His Worship the Mayor stated that his remarks are the Council record and that as soon as the Solicitor gave him the new By-Law there would be no question of a meeting being called to consider it.

#### IMPROVEMENTS FLYNN STREET

Alderman Donahoe requested that some action be taken by the Commissioner of Works to survey the condition of Flynn Street between MacDonald Street and Roosevelt Drive. He said he had received complaints that the street is very rough and hard on motorists.

The matter was referred to the Commissioner of Works as requested.

### GRANT \$1500.00 PER BED WITHDRAWN

Alderman Hatfield stated that at the last meeting of Council he had asked for a report on the matter of the Provincial Government withdrawing its grant of \$1500.00 per bed, which would have an effect on the new City Home if one were constructed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City Home is a very great question and that the Marshall report was damaging. He said either the City would get it in a financial way or else we would have to go to the Province for help.

Dr. Morton stated that he had written to the Hon.

Harold Connolly, Minister of Health and he replied that the statement as it appeared in the press was correct that the Provincial Government would not be assisting hospital construction. He had then written to the Federal Government asking them if their grant was still available if the Province was not contributing but that he had not heard from them as yet.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the answer would be the same as on the housing question. He suggested that Council not kid itself on these matters.

### NOTICE OF MOTION - ALDERMAN VAUGHAN

Alderman Vaughan gave notice that at the next regular meeting of City Council he would move that the Council of the City of Halifax by formal resolution register its opposition to the St. Lawrence Seaway development and protest the use of public funds for a project which would result in a great economic loss to this City and Province.

### APPROVAL RESUBDIVISION BY-LAW HAYES PROPERTY ROCKCLIFFE ST.

Halifax, June 19, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Publicover:

Re: By-Law replotting Lots 10 and 11
Roderick Mcdonald Subdivision

I enclose copy of the above by-law on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.

#### FILED

APPROVAL RESUBDIVISION BY-LAW COOKE & WELLS PROPERTY
NEW WESTMOUNT

Halifax, June 21, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Publicover:

## Re: Replotting New Westmount Subdivision

I return herewith one copy of your By-law respecting the above which was passed by the City Council on May 17, 1951 and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on June 20, 1951 as appears by his signature attached thereto. It is noted that this By-law did not reach this office until June 16.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.

#### FILED

APPROVAL RESUBDIVISION BY LAW SAWLOR PROPERTY ABBOTT HEIGHTS

Halifax, June 21, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Publicover:

Re: Replotting Abbott Heights Subdivision

I return herewith one copy of your By-law respecting the above which was passed by the City Council on June 14, 1951 and approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on June 20, 1951 as appears by his signature attached thereto.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.

FILED

### APPROVAL AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #7A

Halifax, June 27, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:

### Re: Amendment to by-law No. 7A

I enclose for your records copy of the above by-law on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.

FILED

## APPROVAL AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE #42

Halifax, June 27, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:

## Re: By-Law - Amenament to Ordinance No. 42

I enclose for your records copy of the above by-law on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.

FILED

## APPROVAL OF BORROWINGS

The following borrowings were approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs:

\$ 25,000.00 - Sewer Rehabilitation
5,000.00 - Street Lighting
50,000.00 - Street Widening approved for \$25,000.00
15,000.00 - Installation Heating System in Forum
10,000.00 - Rehabilitation Forum Building

FILED

### TAX COLLECTIONS MONTH OF JUNE

Civic Year Reserves o/s Bal New Accounts May 31/51 and Adjust- ments.	June o/s Bals Collect- June 30/51.
1949 \$70,348.53 \$ 118,822.93\$ Cr. 124.88 1950 67,623.89 258,856.32 Cr.1,279.21 1951 70,000.00 2,673,380.81 Cr.3,897.08 \$3,051,060.06\$ Cr.5,301.17	20,500.18 237,076.93 3 3 228,488.44 1,440.995 <u>.29</u>
Poll Tax 1943-44 22,465.78 1944-45 3,018.75 1951 68,825.15 Cr., 2.00	12.50 22,453.28 51.03 2,967.72 0 6,412,30 62,392.85
Additional Collections: Arrears 1925-26 to 1948 Corresponding Period Last Year Collections as per statement above Corresponding Period Last Year	1951 5,231.37 10,716.33 1,260,424.32 1,090,489.46 \$1,265,655.69\$1,101,205.79
Collection Poll Taxes Jan 1/51 to June 30/51 Corresponding Period Last Year	33,413.39
Combined Collections of May & June compared with same months last year?  Tax Arrears 1925-26 to 1948  Collections as per statement  Poll Taxes	1951 8,615.78 22,608.43 3,830,633.14 3,352,427.41 33,413.39 35,730.23 \$3,872,662,31\$3,410,766.07

Respectfully submitted,

H. R. McDonald, CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

FILED

### APPROPRIATIONS JUNE 30/51

TO THE CITY COUNCIL:

The following is the state of Civic Appropriations

on the above date after deducting unpaid orders:

APPROPRIATIONS	LEDGER BALANCE	 UNPAID ORDERS	BALANCE LESS UNPAID ORDERS
City Home	\$107,790.31	\$ 1,155.64	\$106,634.67
Point Pleasant Park	10.837.62		10,837.62
	10,837.62 37,376.31	367.82	37,008.49
Library	132,463.94	3,351.30	37,008.49 129,112.64
r. B. Hospital	28,021.24	202.77	27.818.47
Inf. Disease Hosp.	90,785.93	42.10	90.743.03
Public Health	76, 767, 77		16,356.80
Velfare Department	16,356.80	16,421.08	194,725.23
Police Department	211,146.31	10,	29.428.72
City Prison	29,428.72		101,606.66
Works, Sal. & Bonus	101,606.66	605.10	164,294.43
Streets	164,899.53	497.45	6.242.97
Office Supplies	6,740.42	77.44	2,628.10
Town Planning	2,705.54	10 660 27	71,439.83
Internal Health	90.102.10	18,662.27	12,441,42
Bewer Maintenance	12,441.42	260.00	30,257.07
Snow Removal	30,617.07	360.00	53,349.71
St. Lighting	53,696.67	346.96	3,727.49
Traffic Lights	3,727.49		758.42
Manana Transation	758.42	wa a . 0 a	8,876.84
Wiring Inspection	9,390.66	513.82	10 820 55
Building Inspection	43,835.62	1,006.07	42,829.55
Parks & Grounds	54,237.20	510.61	53,726.59
City Property	6,296.25	66.40	6,229.85
Fuel	4,354.07		4,354.07
Insurance	2,311.48		2,311.48
City Hall Light	2,762.67		2,762.67
Telephones	9,821.16	1,367.32	8,453.84
Fairview Cemetery	25,102.35	177.02	24,925.33
Recreation Committee	27, ±02.77		211,643.36
Fire Department	211,643.36		19,548.13
Fire Alarm	19,548.13	450.90	10,273.25
Printing & Stationer	y 10,724.15		
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Respectfully submitted,

H. R. MCDONALD, CHIEF ACCOUNTANT.

#### PRESENTATION STAFF SGT. SYDNEY T. HOWELL

At this time His Worship the Mayor presented Staff Sgt.

Sydney T. Howell with a certificate from Mr. John Poland, Sgt. at

Arms, City of London, England admitting him as an Honorary member

of the Guild of Macs-Bearers.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

10.30 P. M.

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Gordon S. Kinley, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD, DEPUTY CITY CLERK. Lord's Prayer.

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., July 26, 1951. 8.00 P. M.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in repeating the

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Lane, Abbott, Adams, Redmond, Fox, Duffy and MacMillan.

The meeting was called specially to consider:

- 1. Report Finance & Executive Committee re Appropriation Natal Day.
- 2. Report Special Committee me Rental Control By-Law.

#### NATAL DAY APPROPRIATION

Halifax, N. S., July 26, 1951.

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

The Firshes and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that the sum of \$3,000.00 be appropriated for the purpose of celebrating Halifax Natal Day, it is proposed that the celebrations will last for a period of four days.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Fox that the report be approved, the funds obtained from the Mayor's Contingent Account and the account supplemented by this amount under the authority of Section 316 "C" of the City Charter. Motion passed.

## PASSING MR. C. H. VAUGHAN

Alderman Adams referred to the passing of Mr. C. H. Vaughan and moved that a letter be forwarded to the family extending sympathy from the City Council which was seconded by Alderman Duffy and on being put was passed unanimously.

## A BY-LAW RESPECTING HOUSING AND RENTALS

Made by the City Council of the City of Halifax pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1951.

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Halifax as follows:

#### Definitions

- 1. For the purpose of this By-law, unless the context otherwise requires,
  - (a) "City" means the Corporation of the City of Halifax incorporated by the Halifax City Charter.
  - (b) "Council" means the City Council of the City of Halifax as defined in the Halifax City Charter.
  - (c) \*County Court\* means the County Court for District Number One.
  - (d) "Housing accommodation" means any place of dwelling and any land upon which a place of dwelling is situated and includes all appurtenances, furniture, furnishings, equipment, fixtures, services and facilities that are or are to be supplied therefor for the rental in effect on the 30th day of April, 1951, but does not include any room in a hotel or club house.
  - (e) "Landlord" means any person of whom another holds any right to the possession of any place of dwelling and the heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of such person and, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, includes any persons who lets or sublets or grants any leave and license for the possession of any housing accommodation, any person entitled to possession under any judgment or order of a Court or under any statute and any mortgagee or chargee in possession.
  - (f) "Lease" means any enforceable contract for the letting or sub-letting of any housing accommodation or any leave and licence for the use of any housing accommodation, whether such contract or leave and licence is made orally or in writing; and each of the verbs "let", "rent" and "sub-let" shall have a corresponding extended meaning.
  - (g) "Rent" or "rental" or "rate" means any payment or consideration, including any bonus or gratutity to or for the benefit of the landlord, for the possession of any housing accommodation by the day, week, month, year or other period of time.
  - (h) "Rental Authority" means the person or persons appointed by the Council under the authority of this By-law to be the Rental Authority.
  - (1) "Tenant" means any persons who holds possession of any housing accommodation under any lease.
  - (j) "Term certain" means a period of possession of housing accommodation, the right to which possession, according to the law of the Province of Nova Scotia, would

terminate at the end of the period without notice by either landlord or tenant were it not the provisions of this By-law.

## Exemptions from By-law.

- 2. The provisions of this By-law shall not apply to,
  - (a) any lease of any housing accommodation in which lease the City of Halifax is the landlord;
  - (b) any living or sleeping room in an educational, religious, philanthropic, charitable, scientific, artistic, professional, social or sporting institution, or in any hospital or convalescent or nursing home, or in any clubhouse.
  - (c) any real property let (with or without a place of dwelling) solely for the purposes of husbandry, agriculture or horticulture.
  - (d) any living or sleeping room in a seasonal boarding house which, for purposes of this clause, means a boarding house which caters chiefly to persons who are on vacation or holidays and in which sleeping accommodation and three meals per day are made available to the guests by the operator, and includes a group of buildings so operated by the same operator in some of which sleeping accommodation is supplied to the guests and in one or more of which three meals per day are made available by him to such guests.
  - (e) any housing accommodation in respect to which an agreement between the landlord and tenant is in effect which fixes the rental for such housing accommodation at an amount in excess of that in effect for such housing accommodation on the 30th day of April, 1951, unless and until an application under the provisions of section 7 hereof has been made to the Rental Authority.
  - (f) any housing accommodation which on the 30th day of April, 1951, was not subject to the Rental Control Regulations of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board in effect on or prior to the 30th day of April, 1951.
  - (g) any vacant land.
- 3. This By-law shall apply to the geographical area as described in Section 6 of the Halifax City Charter.

## Appointment of Rental Authority.

- 4. (1) A Rental Authority is hereby established under the provisions of the Housing and Rentals Act.
  - (2) The Council may from time to time appoint a person or persons to be the Rental Authority in and for the geographical area described in section 3 hereof, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Council and who shall be paid such salary as the Council from time to time determines.

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- (3) The Rental Authority shall have the power and authority and shall perform and discharge the duties set out in this By-law.
- (4) The Council may from time to time, in addition to appointing the Rental Authority as hereinbefore provided, appoint such persons as may in its opinion be necessary for the administration and enforcement of this By-law and may fix the remuneration to be paid to such persons, and such persons shall hold office during the pleasure of the Council.
- The Rental Authority and any person or persons authorized in that behalf in writing by such Rental Authority may enter into any housing accommodation subject to this By-law for the purpose of inspecting the same.

  Such entry and inspection may take place at any reasonable time between the hours of nine o'clock in the forenoon and six o'clock in the afternoon.

#### Maximum Rentals

- hereof the maximum rental payable by a tenant or licensee for housing accommodation shall be and is hereby fixed at the rental lawfully in effect for that accommodation on the 30th day of April, 1951, and such rental shall not be increased above such maximum except with the approval of the Rental Authority.
- 7. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 6 hereof, a landlord and a tenant may enter into an agreement providing that the rental payable for any housing accommodation shall be greater than that lawfully in effect on the said 30th day of April, 1951, and such agreement shall be filed by the landlord with the Rental Authority within

fourteen days of the execution of the same by the parties thereto; upon the filing of such agreement within such time stated the provisions of section 6 hereof shall not apply to the housing accommodation affected by such agreement, during the currency of such agreement; if such agreement is not so filed within such time stated the maximum rental for such housing accommodation shall continue to be that lawfully in effect for the same on the 30th day of April, 1951, and the said agreement shall not after the expiration of such time stated have any force or effect.

- Authority shall indicate approval of the amount of rental in such agreement upon the same, and such approval shall be deemed to be the fixation of the maximum rental for such accommodation and effective in accordance with the terms of such agreement.
- 8. (1) If a landlord and a tenant are unable to agree upon the rental for any housing accommodation in excess of that lawfully in effect for that accommodation on the 30th day of April, 1951, or if either the landlord or the tenant shall be dissatisfied with the agreement so entered into as provided by section 7 hereof, either such landlord or tenant may apply to the Rental Authority for a fixation of rent for such housing accommodation in excess of that lawfully in effect for the same on the 30th day of April, 1951, or other than that set out in any such agreement.
  - Such application may be made from time to time and the Rental Authority upon such application may fix the rent thereof at such sum as the Rental Authority shall determine to be sufficient to yield a fair return to the landlord based upon the cost, of land, labour and materials and the rate of municipal taxes imposed in respect

of the said housing accommodation and the appurtenances, furniture, furnishings, equipment, fixtures, services or facilities that were supplied or are to be supplied for the rental to be charged for such housing accommodation at the date of such application.

- Any variation of the lawful rental in effect at the date of the making of such application shall be deemed to be the fixation of the maximum rental for such accommodation.
- 9. (1)Notwithstanding anything in this By-law contained, the landlord of any housing accommodation, the rental for which has not on or prior to the 30th day of April, 1951, been increased by the respective percentages permitted under the Rental Control Regulations of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board in effect on or prior to the 30th day of April, 1951, shall be entitled to increase the rental for such housing accommodation by an amount not exceeding the total amount of such percentages; provided that before increasing such rental as hereinbefore provided, the landlord shall file with the Rental Authority a notice stating that he proposes to increase such rental in such manner and to such extent and at the same time files with Rental Authority an affidavit of himself, or, if the landlord be a corporation, an affidavit by the Manager or other responsible officer of such corporation, verifying that such percentages are not contained in the rental lawfully in effect on the 30th day of April, 1951, or in the rental being paid for such housing accommodation on the date of the filing of such notice and affidavit.
  - Any tenant whose rental has been increased by any landlord under the authority of this section may within one month of receiving notice of such increase in rental file an application with the Rental Authority requesting that the maximum rental for such housing accommo-

dation be fixed by the Rental Authority and the Rental Authority shall fix such rental in the manner set out in subsection (2) of section 7 hereof.

- 10. (1) The rental payments to be made for any housing accommodation may be varied in any year by the land-lord of such housing accommodation by adding to or subtracting therefrom a proportionate part of the amount by which the City taxes upon such accommodation for such year exceeds or is less than the amount of the said taxes thereon for the civic year which ended December 31st, 1950.
  - (2) Any tenant who is aggrieved by the amount of any such increase may apply to the Rental Authority within one month after receipt of notice of such increase for a review of such increase and for a fixation of the amount of the same.
- (3) Any such variation shall be deemed to be a fixation of the maximum rental for such accommodation.

  FIXETION Variation of Maximum Rentals
- the Rental Authority may, upon the application of a landlord or a tenant, vary the maximum rental to be charged for
  any housing accommodation and may fix the same at such an
  amount which, in the opinion of the Rental Authority, will
  yield a fair return to the landlord based upon the costa, of
  land, labour and materials and the rate of municipal taxes
  imposed in respect of the said housing accommodation and
  the appurtenances, furniture, furnishings, equipment, fixtures, services or facilities that were supplied or are to
  be supplied for the rental to be charged for such housing
  accommodation at the date of such application.

- 12. From and after the coming into force of this By-law, no persons shall let, or offer to let, any housing accommodation at a rental in excess of that lawfully in effect on the 30th day of April, 1951, and no person shall charge, demand, receive or collect a rental in excess of that lawfully in effect on the 30th day of April, 1951, unless the same is agreed upon between the landlord and the tenant as provided by section 7 hereof or is authorized by sections 9 or 10 hereof or unless and until the same has been approved by the Rental Authority.
- Any variation of the maximum rental for any housing accommodation or of the rental lawfully in effect on the 30th day of April, 1951, under the authority of this By-law shall be deemed to be the fixation of the maximum rental for such accommodation.

# Procedure for application for variation of maximum rentals.

- An application to the Rental Authority for the variation of a fixed maximum rental or of the rental lawfully in effect on the 30th day of April, 1951, shall be made in the following manner:
  - (a) A notice, in the form set out in Schedule "A" to the By-law or to the like effect shall be completed in duplication by the applicant, and all information required by such form shall be given;
  - (b) one copy shall be served upon the opposite party not less than five clear days before the date set for the hearing of the application. Such notice may be served either by personal service or by mailing the same by registered mail postage prepaid; in the latter case the service shall be

deemed effected upon the next juridical day immediately following the day upon which it was deposited in the post office;

- (c) on the day and at the time and place fixed for hearing such application the Rental Authority shall hear the parties and such witnesses as may be produced; and evidence may be given viva voce upon oath to be administered by the Rental Authority;
- should either of the parties fail to appear at such time and place, service of the notice thereof may be proved upon affidavit and the Rental
  Authority may thereafter proceed to consider the matter and may make such decision or order as he may have made if all parties were present;
- (e) any decision of the Rental Authority shall continue in effect until varied by a decision of the Judge of the County Court for District Number One on appeal from such decision of the Rental Authority;
- (f) no costs shall be awarded to any party on any application under this By-law.

#### Rights of sub-tenants.

Notwithstanding anything contained in this By-law, no act of surrender by any tenant of the housing accommodation shall enable any sub-tenant holding of such tenant to remain in occupation of the accommodation after the sub-lease has expired by effluxion of time or has been lawfully terminated.

#### Notices.

- 16. For the purposes of this By-law,
  - (a) any notice, demand or document that is required or permitted by this By-law to be given by or to any person may be given by or to the husband, wife, widow, widower or personal representative of any such person;
  - (b) any application, statement or other document that is required or permitted by this By-law to be made, filed or posted by any persons may be made, filed

or posted by the widow, widower or legal representative of any such person or the wife or husband of any such person who is a member of His Majesty's Forces;

(c) personal occupation of any housing accommodation by the wife, husband, widow or widower of the landlord or of the tenant of such accommodation shall be deemed to be personal occupation by such landlord or tenant.

### Agreement to waive rights.

17. Any agreement in a lease under which the tenant agrees to waive any of his rights under this By-law shall be null and void.

#### General

- No person, in letting or offering to let any housing accommodation, or in negotiating a lease or renewal of a lease for any such accommodation or for furnishing any information respecting such accommodation, shall directly or indirectly charge, demand, collect or receive from any tenant or prospective tenant of such accommodation any commission, bonus, gratuity, reward or premium in money or money's worth, and if any such commission, bonus, gratuity, reward or premium is paid it shall be recoverable by such tenant or prospective tenant from the person to whom it was paid.
- 19. (1) No person in letting or offering to let any housing accommodation, or in negotiating a lease or renewal of a lease for any such accommodation, shall require the tenant or prospective tenant
  - (a) to purchase any goods from any person unless and until the maximum price for such goods has been fixed by the Rental Authority; or
  - (b) to rent any goods from any person other than the landlord of the accommodation unless and until the maximum rental for such goods has been fixed by the Rental Authority.
  - (2) No landlord of any housing accommodation and no person on behalf of such landlord shall sell any goods to the tenant or prospective tenant of such accommodation unless and until the maximum price for such goods has been fixed by the Rental Authority.
  - (3) An application for the fixation of a maximum price or maximum rental under this section shall be made, on a form provided by the Rental Authority, by the owner of the goods or by the tenant or prospective tenant.
  - (4) If any sale or lease of goods is made in contravention of this section a maximum price or maximum rental may be fixed by the Rental Authority and such fixation shall be deemed to be effective as at the date of the sale or lease of such goods.
  - (5) Any fixation by the Rental Authority shall be final and conclusive.

- For the purposes of this section "goods" means any articles, commodities, substances or things including the personal or household effects of any person.
- 20. No person shall require the tenant or prospective tenant of any housing accommodation to pay more than one month's rental in advance or, if the rent is payable or to be payable by the week, more than one week's rental in advance.

#### Forms.

21. The Rental Authority may from time to time prescribe the forms to be used in applications to and proceedings before the Rental Authority.

#### SCHEDULE "A"

### NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO FIX RENTALS

Take Notice that the undersigned hereby applies to the Rental Authority of the City of Halifax to fix the maximum rental for housing accommodation described as

The tenant (or proposed tenant) of the said housing 

The rental now in effect for the said housing accommodation is \$......per month ( or as the case may be).

The rental applied for is \$..... per month (or as the case may be).

The reason for this application is ..........

The said application will be made to the Rental Authority at his office at ........... on the ...... day of ......... A. D. 19... at ....... o'clock in the .....noon

DATED at Halifax, Nova Scotia, this ..... day of ••••• 19 ·····

Landlord or tenant

To:	
	Tenant or landlord
Of:	
	Address

I, W. P. PUBLICOVER, City Clerk of the City of Halifax, hereby certify that the foregoing writing is a true copy of a By-Law made by the City of Halifax on the 26th day of July A.D. 1951 under the authority of the Housing and Rentals Act of the Province of Nova Scotia, being Chapter 10 of the Acts of 1951.

Given under my hand and the Seal of the City of Halifax this 22nd day of August, A. D. 1951.

### RENTAL COUTROL BY-LAW.

Halifax, N. 8., July 25, 1951.

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

The Civic Rentals Control Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered the attached By-Law respecting Housing and Rentals, as prepared by the City Solicitor.

Your Committee recommends that the By-Law be approved with the following amendments:

- (1) Page 2. Clease F to be deleted. Clause G will then become F.
- (2) Page 4, Glause 8-2 to be amended by inserting between the words "Goes" and "of" in the fifth line thereof the following words: "or value".
- Page 6. Clause II to be amended "A" by deleting the word "variation" in the title and substituting therefor the word "fixation" "B" by deleting the word "vary" in the third line thereof and substituting therefor the word "fix" "G" by deleting the words "and may fix the same" in the fourth line thereof. "D" by deleting the word "costs" in the sixth line thereof and substituting therefor the words "jost or value".
- (4) Page 9, Clause 18 to be amended by inserting the words "other than a real estate agent or broker" immediately following the word \*person\* in the first line thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

8.05 P. M. Alderman Donahoe arrives.

The City Solicitor went over the various changes in the by-Law as recommended by the Rental Control Committee.

Alderman Duffy: \*Does it take care of houses not rented before?\*

City Solicitor: "Everything. All housing accommodation. Those that were decontrolled come under this By-Law."

Alderman Abbott: The Committee is recommending that rental accommodation that was decontrolled up to April 30, 1951 is going to be controlled if this By-Law passes. I wonder why the Committee saw fit to control something the Federal Government had already decontrolled? Is it the condition that the City of Halifax will control all rents for all times or will we eventually

get rid of it? 8

City Solicitor: "It is a matter of policy for the Council. The Committee did discuss that matter and they felt if all the houses were not controlled there would be discrimination in favor of these properties that were free from control."

Alderman DeWolf: "I think it is those properties that were decontrolled that the rents were raised to such a point that the people pay the rent under a great hardship. It is as I see it the reason why we are considering the fixing of rents."

Alderman Abbott: "In the By-Law it says a rent that will yield a fair return. I wonder what that is. Some think it should be a certain percentage net or gross. In some cases this is going to hurt the tenant or landlord. Could we not put a percentage in there. Who will decide what the return will be?"

City Solicitor: "The Rental Authority should have enough ability to arrive at a fair return. Certain properties due to their nature will get a larger return than others so the percentage would be unfair to apply to all housing accommodation. It rests with the personnel of the Rental Authority."

Alderman Abbott: "I am thinking of some cases when the Federal Government controlled rent I don't know how they are going to decide on a fair return."

His Worship the Mayor: "Can you suggest something?"

Alderman Abbott: "I am willing to take it as it comes
from the Committee."

His Worship the Mayor: "The question is whether we will write policy and put in an amount or leave it to the Rental Authority."

Alderman Duffy: "People under eviction now, are they protected?"

The City Solicitor then read sections from the Housing & Rentals Act in answer to the Alderman and stated that the By-Law does not operate to stop evictions but operates as a formula for

evictions. The rules of eviction still apply he said and that the City has no authority to deal with the question of controlling evictions."

Alderman Donaboe: "Is the definition of Housing Accommodation broad enough to oover rooms?"

City Solicitor: "I took that from the Act."

He then read the section of the Act dealing with this matter and each that he did not think the City could control anything that is not within the definition of Housing Accommodation.

Alderman Danahoe: "Does the Solicitor interpret it that it does not cover rooms?"

City Bolicitor: "I think in does cover rooms."

Alderman Donahoe: "A man told me it was in the press that we were not controlling rooms. That is why I wanted a verification of my opinion that we were."

City Solicitor: "We have to assume a place of dwelling includes a room. Any housing accommudation. They are not exempted under the By-Law."

alderman Donahoe stated he wanted to refer to the first question raised by Alderman Abbott and said it would be unfair and unjust to control the rents of those properties which have remained under the Regulations up to April 30, 1951 and leave outside the By-Law those which were fortunate enough to be exempted from the Regulations. He advised that there was a gradual process called decontrol leading up to the time when there would be no control and the Federal Government saw fit to release certain classes of property from control. He said the Council was faced with the principle whether it is desirable in this City and he believed it was as there had been a certain amount of abuse tolerated. If there had been an ample supply of housing accommodation the City Council could have let the law of supply and demand take care of the situation. He felt it was unfair for landlords to take advantage of the situation and if the City

council felt there should be a measure of control it should apply evenly and without discrimination and should cover all property. Because new construction excaped the regulations the landlord had the opportunity to adjust his rent for as far back as two years. Presumably they have made those adjustments. They are in a favored position because they were able to take increases which were not available to other landlords. He said these are the research why the Committee felt it wise to treat all property with an even hand.

Alderman Abboth stated that this control would become like a encomball and if the City started off controlling 5000 units 5 years from now it might be 7000. He asked if it were the intention to have control for all time or up to a certain point and then drop 15.

Alderman Donahoe stated it was his personal view that Council was operating under an Act which expires on April 30/52 and if Council soted beyond that it would be a matter for the Provincial Government to decide and if the City goes beyond that date the Council must receive new authority from the Province. "No matter how I may wote in respect to any By-Law, I do not believe it is properly the operation of the City to be burdened with the necessity of rent control at all. I maintain it is a Provincial responsibility. The responsibility not having been met and the parmissive legislation for this By-Law having been passed, puts the matter up to this Council. Fundamentally I am opposed to controls. We should plan now to impress upon the Provincial Government that it is their responsibility. As Alderman Abbott says it will continue to grow. Economic conditions may be vastly different a year from now. If some of our schemes for additional housing are achieved, I would be the first to vote against rent control. I consider this as a stop gap and is of a temporary nature covered by the Act which brought it into being. We should be guided by the circumstances as they exist

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at the present time. I do not say I will remain in the same frame of mind indefinitely."

His Worship the Mayor: "We are covering an extenuating situation in the City of Halifax at the present time under a general By-Law flexible enough that if no complaints arise, we will have nothing to do. As the Solicitor has stated, should the landlord and tenant iron out their own difficulties there is no need to come before the Rent P Authority. For that reason I think it is general and flexible a longh to meet all situations without a lot of extra work and punishing a lot of other people."

Alderman Abbott: "I am satisfied that the Committee did a fine job on this By-Law. Those few points I raised I wanted them cleared."

Moved by Alderman Abbott, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the City Council, under the authority of the Housing Rentals Act, approve of the By-Law respecting housing and rentals, as amended, and that the same be forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for his approval. Motion passed unanimously.

# APPROPRIATION RENTAL AUTHORITY

Halifax, N. S., July 26, 1951.

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

The Finance & Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date considered the matter of providing an appropriation to pay salaries, etc. in connection with a rental authority.

Your Committee recommends that the sum of \$7,500.00 be appropriated under the authority of section 316 °C" of the City Charter for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Redmond that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# APPOINTMENT RENTAL AUTHORITY

Read report from His Worship the Mayor submitting for approval the names of the following persons to constitute the Rental Authority

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for the City of Halifax:

Mr. Aaron Zive Mr. Fred Ibsen Mr. A. P. Kelly

Alderman Lane: "I feel in appointing the Rental Authority in the City the matter should be considered at some length."

Moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Fox that the matter of appointing the Rental Asthority for the City of Halifax be referred to the Rental Standel Committee for consideration and recommendation to the next setting of the City Council. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Adams that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting	adjourned.	8.45	P.	M

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W. P. PUBLICOVER
OUTY CLERK

## EVENING - SESSION SPECIAL MEETING

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., August 6, 1951, 8:00 P. M.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business the members of Council attending, led by the Deputy City Clerk joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor, Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Lane, Abbott, Adams, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

The meeting was called specially to consider the following items:

- Report Town Planning Bd. re Inglewood Subdivision.
- Rental Control Comm. re Rental By-Law.
- Rental Authority. 2. Blum Clearance & Public Housing Committee re 3. Housing Agreement.

# INGLEWOOD SUBDIVISION

July 27th, 1951.

## Re Final Approval Inglewood "B" Francklyn Street

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on July 24th, a plan of subdivision of Inglewood "B" was submitted by the Town Planning Engineer for final approval.

The Board approved the Subdivision as shown on Plan No. 00-4-11857, subject to a deed of Lots 1 and 2 being conveyed to the City by the owner, and that the City convey to the owner the land necessary along the southern edge to complete the subdivision.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

J. B. Sabean, Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved.

Alderman Fox: "We should know how much land they are getting and what we are getting. We had some difficulty over land last month. There is nothing in the report to say what we are getting. The Eastern Trust Company is quite capable of paying for any property they are getting from the City."

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox that this matter be referred back to the Town Planning Board for information as to the number of sq. ft. that is involved.

There was no seconded to this amendment.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the matter had been cleared by the Town Planning Board.

Alderman Fox: "The minutes I have give no idea as to the amount of land the Trust Company is going to get."

Mr. Harris stated that the City is getting two valuable pieces of land and also a right-of-way 60 ft. wide.

Alderman Duffy questioned if the City would need this land for street widening later on and was advised by Mr. Harris in the negative.

Alderman Fox: "The City is not in the real estate business and we are exchanging and trading."

His Worship the Mayor: "There is no deal here. It is a matter of expediting this matter."

Alderman Abbott: "This is one time the City is getting a good deal. The lots are worth \$3,000.00 each."

Alderman DeWolf stated that the story went back to the time when the Eastern Trust Company came to the City with a subdivision plan and the Trust Company said if the City could get a strip of land along the back the location of the street could be changed. The City cleared it with Ottawa and got the land for \$1.00. When the matter came up he suggested that it might be fair on the part of the Trust Company to give the City one or

two lots which they agreed to do. He said the City was benefitting from this.

The motion was then put and passed 11 voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:

## FOR THE MOTION

#### AGAINST IT

Alderman Abbott

Alderman Fox

Adams
Breen
DeWolf
Donahoe
Duffy
Hatfield
Lane
MacMillan
Moriarty

Vaughan

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Alderman Fox gave Notice of Reconsideration.

# AMENDMENTS RENTAL BY-LAW

Halifax, N. S., August 2, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Rental Control Committee held on the above date a letter from the City Solicitor submitting amendments to the By-Law respecting Housing and Rentals was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the amendments as attached hereto be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

## AMEN DMENT

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Halifax as follows:

1. Clause (d) of Section 2 of the By-law respecting Housing and Rentals, made by the City Council of the City of Halifax on the 26th day of July, A. D. 1951, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 10 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1951, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

- (d) any living or sleeping room in a seasonal boarding house which, for purposes of this clause, means a boarding house which caters chiefly to persons who are on vacation or holidays and in which sleeping accommodation and any meal or meals are made available to the guests by the operator, and includes a group of buildings so operated by the same operator in some of which sleeping accommodation is supplied to the guests and in one or more of which any meal or meals are made available by him to such guests.
- 2. Clause (e) of Section 2 of the said By-law respecting Housing and Rentals is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - (e) any housing accommodation in respect to which an agreement between the landlord and tenant is in effect which fixes the rental for such housing accommodation at an amount in excess of that in effect for such nousing accommodation on the 30th day of April, 1951, unless and until an application under the provisions of section 11 hereof has been made to the Rental Authority.
- 3. Subsection (2) of Section S of the said By-law respecting Housing and Rentals is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - (2) Such application may be made from time to time and the Rental Authority upon such application may fix the rent thereof at such sum as the Rental Authority shall determine to be sufficient to yield a fair return to the landlord based upon the actual value of land, labour and materials and the upon the actual taxes imposed in respect of the said housing rate of municipal taxes imposed in respect of the said housing accommodation and the appurtenances, furniture, furnishings, equipment, fixtures, services or facilities that were supplied or are to be supplied for the rental to be charged for such housing accommodation at the date of such application.
- 4. Section 11 of the said By-law respecting Housing and Rentals is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - ll. Notwithstanding anything in this By-law contained, the Rental Authority may, upon the application of a landlord or a tenant, fix the maximum rental to be charged for any housing accommodation at such an amount which, in the opinion of the Rental Authority, will yield a fair return to the landlord based upon the actual value of land, labour and materials lord based upon the actual value of land, labour and materials and the rate of municipal taxes imposed in respect of the said housing accommodation and the appurtenances, furniture, furnishings, equipment, fixtures, services or facilities that were supplied or are to be supplied for the rental to be charged supplied or are to be supplied for the date of such application.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Fox that the report and Amendments as prepared by the City Solicitor's Department be approved.

Motion passed.

# APPOINTMENT RENTAL CONTROL OFFICER

Hallfax, N. S., August 2, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Rental Control Committee held on the above date the matter of recommending the names of personnel to comprise the Rental Authority as provided by the By-law respecting Housing and Rentals was considered.

It was agreed to submit the following names to Council for the office of Rental Control Officer: Mr. Leonard Mitchell and Mr. John Mullane; for members of the Rental Authority: Mr. Fred G. Ibsen and Miss Margaret Chisholm.

Respectfully submitted,

w. P. Publicover, CIPY CLERK.

Alderman Donahoe advised that Mr. John Mullane wished to have his name withdrawn.

It was then moved by Alderman Lane, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that Mr. Leonard Mitchell be appointed Rental Control Officer. Motion passed.

# APPOINTMENT MEMBERS

Alderman Lane advised that Miss Margaret Chisholm wished to have her name withdrawn.

Alderman Fox nominated Mr. Fred Ibsen.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Mr. D. Cocklin.

Alderman Breen nominated Mr. A. P. Kelly.

Alderman Vaughan nominated Mr. Geo. Ferguson.

There being no further nominations a vote was taken

on the 4 names which resulted as follows:

THOWN		COCKLIN	<u> </u>	KELLY	FERGU	BON
	Breen Al Lane Abbott Donahoe Fox MacMille	lderman	Moriarty Duffy Vaughan Hatfield	Alderman	DeWolf Alderman Moriarty Breen Lane Abbott Adams	Dewolf Adams Donahoe Fox Duffy Vaughan Hatfield MacMills
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His Worship the Mayor then declared Mr. Geo. Ferguson duly appointed as one member.

A vote was then taken on the remaining three names which resulted as follows:

IBSEN	COCKLIN	KELLY
Alderman Fox	Alderman Donahoe Duffy Vaughan Hatfield MacMillan	Alderman DeWolf Moriarty Breen Lane Abbott Adams
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His Worship the Mayor than declared Mr. A. P. Kelly duly appointed as the second member of the Rental Authority.

# AMENDMENTS HOUSING AGREEMENT BAYERS RD.

Halifax, N. S., August 2, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Slum Clearance and Public Housing Committee held on the above date the attached letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs respecting the agreement to be entered into by His Majesty the King in Right of Canada of the entered into by His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of first part: His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of Nova Scotia of the second part: Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation of the third part; and the City of Halifax of the fourth part was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the agreement be amended in accordance with the suggestions contained in the third and fourth paragraphs of the Minister's letter referred to above.

Respectfully submitted,

w. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S., August i, 1951.

Mayor Gordon S. Kinley, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Your Worship:

Following negotiations with the Minister of Resources and Development at Ottawa we have reached agreement as to the form of a contract to be entered into by His Majesty the King in in Right of Canada of the first part; His Majesty the King in Right of the Province of Nova Scotia of the second part; Central Right of the Province of Nova Scotia of the second part; Central Housing and Mortgage Corporation of the third part; and the City Housing and Mortgage Corporation of the third part; and the City of Halifax of the fourth part. Your Committee, through Alderman Hatfield, has been kept advised of the negotiations.

The form of agreement submitted to me by the City Clerk under covering letter of July 3, 1951, has been varied as to detail and in one important particular.

The first change is a verbal one: On page 5 of that agreement as submitted referring to the Schedule therein mentioned as Schedule A.

The second change is in paragraph 7 (a) on the third page of the agreement you submitted. I was not prepared to be the arbitrator of assessments. I have agreed to the suggestion from Ottawa which has been discussed with you and Alderman Hatfield. It was suggested that rather than get into the difficulty of assessments and re-assessments and arbitration upon the assessments the agreement might provide that the housing project shall pay to the City of Halifax an amount in lieu of taxes equal to 25% of the rentals collected from the tenants plus usual fire protection rates.

The above are the only changes in the agreement. But another matter arose as to Schedule B of the agreement itself. In determining the cost of the project it has been decided to calculate the Federal Government's share as bearing interest at 3½% and the remaining share of the City bearing interest at 4%. These rates have been determined by checking the market for long term Government of Canada bonds and the market for long term Nova Scotia bonds. To canada bonds and the market for long term Nova Scotia bonds. To each has been added a loading of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ of 1%. This appears to be a very each has been added a loading of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ of 1%. This appears to be a very favourable decision from the standpoint of the City, whose bond interest rate on long term borrowing is substantially above that accepted by the Dominion Government.

The Honourable Mr. Winters has asked me to advise the City of Halifax of the agreement reached between him and me, so that the execution of the revised agreement can proceed without delay.

Yours very truly,

R. M. Fielding, Minister.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved.

His Worship the Mayor wanted to know where the amendments were to which Alderman Hatfield stated that Mr. Rooney would prepare them on instructions from the Council.

Alderman Hatfield stated that the clause in the agreement with respect to an "arbitrator" was no longer needed. He then read a portion of a letter in which it stated the City would receive 25% of the rents collected in lieu of taxes.

His Worship the Mayor stated that this was a departure from the normal method of taxation. He said that the highest rent to be received would be \$63.60 and that the most of the houses would go to the \$1500.00 class.

Alderman Hatfield requested that Mr. Dudley be given an opportunity to speak.

Alderman Donahoe stated that he understood that the 25% be almost the same as the amount collected by normal taxes. He felt that if there were a fixed assessment on a rate of \$3.50 there would be no need of arbitration.

His Worship the Mayor stated that this was a baby of the Federal Government and all they had asked the Provincial Government to do was to be an arbitrator, but they had refused and were attacking our method of assessment.

It was then suggested that Council adjourn for half an hour so the Slum Clearance & Public Housing Committee could meet and bring in the amendments as suggested in the letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

8:50 P. M. Council adjourned for 30 minutes.

9:20 P. M. Council reconvened the following members being present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Lane, Abbott, Adams, Donahoe, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

Read report from the Slum Clearance and Public Housing Committee as follows:

Halifax, N. S., August 6, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Slum Clearance & Public Housing Committee held on the above date the attached resolution incorporating the amendments to the Housing Agreement for the proposed erection of 200 housing units on the north side of Bayers Road under the National Housing Act was approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

R. H. Stoddard, DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

#### RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED that the Agreement for the proposed

erection of 200 housing units on the north side of Bayers Road under the National Housing Act, which said Agreement was considered at a Special Meeting of the City Council on the 28th day of June, A. D. 1951, be amended by deleting Section 7 thereof and substituting therefor the following:

- 7. (a) It is agreed that for the purposes of the fire protection rate, or payments in lieu thereof, the assessed value of each, housing unit, shall be Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$3,500.00)
  - (b) The Province and Corporation agree that it shall be a condition in any agreement with a Housing Authority for the management and operation of the housing accommodation, that the said Housing Authority shall pay to the City annually for each housing unit a sum equal to Twenty-five percent (25%) of the rental actually received for each such housing unit, together with, the current fire protection rate. Such payments in respect of each building and the lands appurtenant thereto shall be made on or before the 1st day of September in each year, commencing with the year in which each building becomes occupied by tenants and shall be protated to be applicable, only to that portion of the first year during which each building is so occupied.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said Agreement be also amended by deleting Clause (b) of Section 11 thereof and substituting therefor the following:

(b) The rental rates shall be based on family income and shall be computed in accordance with the formula attached to this Agreement as Schedule (A). Leases so made shall make provision that the Lessee will notify the local Housing Authority forthwith and from time to time of any change in family income and the rental date shall be varied from time to time in accordance with such change.

Alderman Breen: \*What about the percentage of the various rentals to be charged? In order to get \$40.00 as an average you have to put in a certain percentage of the higher salaried people.

Alderman Hatfield: \*\$185 or \$190 a month.

His Worship the Mayor: \*What are the various grades to produce the rents. \*

Alderman Breen: "What salary would the \$45.00 rent be?"

Alderman Hatfield: "About \$205 or \$210 a month. That
is family income."

Alderman Vaughan stated that when the family income reached \$5,000.00 the family would be paying a higher tax than the value of the house. He would leave it as was the case in New York but that matter would be up to the Housing Authority.

Alderman Breen stated that money could be earned by the family without records being kept.

Alderman Lane said it would be difficult to check on it.

Alderman DeWolf: "Is the rent sharged based on a salary
a man made in the previous year or is it adjusted monthly to what
he is receiving?"

Mr. Dudley stated that the four parties joined in this as partners and it is turned over to a Local Authority who would be given instructions as to how it is to be managed. They would rent the units to people between \$1200 - \$3180 per annum and the allocation should be such that an average rent of \$40.00 would be realized. He stated that if the salary went up so did the rent accordingly. He said the people receiving high salaries and remaining in the houses would be subsidizing the low rents. The reason for fixing the assessment is that if a dispute arose, it would have to be settled by the Minister of Municipal Affairs but he did not want to be put in that position.

His Worship the Mayor asked if the Agreement were flexible in dealing with the Housing Authority to which Mr. Dudley stated that there would be a separate agreement on that matter as there is nothing in this agreement.

Alderman Breen: "What do you consider low income and medium income?"

Alderman Vaughan: "Is it stated here. "

Alderman Breen: "You are looking after the wrong type of people. You should look after the people living in the slums."

Alderman Lane: "I was under the impression that we were called here to discuss amendments, not the original agreement. The phrase "rentals collected" what about the arrears?"

Mr. Dudley: "There should be none."

Alderman Lane: "I was apprehensible about the non-collected portion."

Mr. Dudley: "We are concerned about it too. If the property went into considerable arrears the Corporation would ask for a change in Management."

Alderman Lane stated that for non-payment of rent the tenants could be evicted to which Mr. Dudley replied that he did not think an action could be taken against the tenant if the landlord refused to pay his taxes.

Alderman Moriarty questioned if a man earning \$3180.00 would be put in the same section as the man earning \$1200.00 to which Mr. Dudley replied he would be given accommodation that would satisfy his physical needs.

His Worship the Mayor: "Suppose we passed this over to a private corporation."

Mr. Dudley: "Private enterprise would not invest in this type of project."

Alderman Donahoe asked if 25% of the rents would not amount to \$122.50 per year.

Mr. Dudley stated that there are single residences not paying any more than \$125.00 a year and that the Federal Government felt it should not be any more than this figure for rental units.

Alderman Breen stated that it would be a preferred assessment and a preferred rent.

Mr. Dudley stated that the rents are increased as a man's salary goes up. It could go to \$100.00 a month.

It was then moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved and the resolution incorporating the amendments as prepared by Mr. Rooney of the City Solicitor's Department be also approved and inserted in the Agree-

ment and that copies of same as so amended be forwarded to the other three parties concerned.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the words "provided that such sum per housing unit shall not be less than \$122.50 per unit per year" be inserted immediately before the concluding words, "together with the current fire protection rate" in the first sentence in the proposed amendment to Clause B of Section 7.

The amendment was then put and passed ll voting for the same and 1 against it as follows:

## FOR THE AMENDMENT

### AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Lane
Abbott
Adams
Donahoe
Fox
Duffy
Vaughan
Hatfield

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MacMillan

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Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

10:20 P. M.

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Gordon S. Kinley, MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

R. H. STODDARD, DEPUTY CITY CLERK.

#### CITY COUNCIL MEETING THURSDAY

#### AUGUST 16, 1951 AGENDA

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    Motion by Alderman Fox re Reconsideration Inglewood Subdivision.
    Motion by Alderman Vaughan re St. Lawrence Seaway.
    Motion by Alderman Hatfield re City Funds
    Public Hearing re Rezoning Block bounded by Russell, Gottingen,
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     Report Town Planning Board re Exhibition Property.
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Report Town Planning Board re North Street Widening.

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# EVENING BESSION

Council Chamber, City Hall, Halifax, N. S., August 16, 1951, 8:00 P. M.

A meeting of the City Council was held on the above date.

After the meeting was called to order by the Chairman and before considering the regular order of business, the members of Council attending, led by the City Clerk, joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

There were present His Worship the Mayor Chairman; Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Lane, Fox, Duffy, Vaughan, Hatfield and MacMillan.

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

The following named papers were submitted.

#### MINUTES

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the minutes of the previous meetings be approved. Motion passed.

MOTION RECONSIDERATION BY ALDERMAN FOX Re: INGLEWOOD SUBDIVISION

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman MacMillan that this matter be reconsidered.

The motion was put and passed 5 voting for the same and 4 against it as follows:

#### FOR THE MOTION

## AGAINST IT

Alderman Breen
Lane
Fox
Duffy
MacMillan

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Alderman DeWolf Moriarty Vaughan Hatfield

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Read report from the Town Planning Board under date of July 27, 1951 which is entered in the Council Minutes on Page 591 Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman DeWolf

that the report be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox that this property taken in exchange from the Eastern Trust Company in the Francklyn subdivision on the shores of the Arm be kept and maintained for recreational purposes for the citizens of Halifax.

There was no seconder to this amendment.

Both the City Assessor and Town Planning Engineer outlined the transaction for the information of the Council.

8:20 P. M. Alderman Donahoe arrives.

The motion was put and passed 8 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

## FOR THE MOTION

#### AGAINST IT

Alderman Fox

Alderman Breen
DeWolf
Donahoe
Duffy
Hatfield
Lane

Lane Moriarty Vaughan

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# MOTION ALDERMAN VAUGHAN Re: ST. LAWRENCE SEAWAY

Alderman Vaughan requested that this motion be deferred for one month to which Council agreed.

# MOTION ALDERMAN HATFIELD Re: CITY FUNDS

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Donahoe that at the first meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee following a City Council meeting the additional current expenses authorized for payment above those approved in the budget must be itemized in full by the Finance Department and presented as a statement to the Finance & Executive Committee and a copy forwarded to all the Aldermen before the meeting of the Council immediately following the meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee. This statement to show all the previous amounts approved since the first of the calendar year and the sub-total carried forward each month.

That the Capital Borrowings approved for the current year be itemized each month and carried forward in the same way as the

current expenses.

Alderman Hatfield stated that there were certain matters passed in Committee that did not come to Council and mentioned the Housing Accommodation and the Prefab Committees.

The Commissioner of Finance stated that the accounts of both of these Committees were before Council on the resolution reaccounts.

Alderman Hatfield said there were increases in salaries and bonuses paid that did not come to the Finance and Executive Committee, nor the City Council.

8:30 P. M. The Deputy Mayor assumes the Chair while His Wor-ship the Mayor addressed Council from the floor as follows:

\*I am getting very disturbed about criticisms that are levelled at the transactions of City business. I have before me the financial statement for the past year and all these matters are included and audited by Independent Auditors. All payments are audited by the Internal Audit staff before they are paid. We budget and we tax the people for a certain amount of money. We have the Housing Accommodation Committee, which is an emergency set-up. They are working under their own revenue. They are carrying their own staff. They are not permanent. In the matter of salary adjustments, it is a Committee thought. Council did pass the authority of the Housing Accommodation Committee and did pass the Committee. We are not attacking taxation money during the year. They are paying money out of their own revenue. At the end of the year, if there is a deficit or a surplus that is alright. Do you think we should disturb the whole operation of the City because of one increase in the salary of one employee? We have the Forum Commission who do the same thing. The new Housing Authority, if we pass the Housing Agreement tonight, is going to spend City money. Are we going to cut in on them? What disturbs me is to talk about the expenditures in the City of Halifax. You will find that the expenditures of the City of Halifax were only over expended by \$75,000.00. Out of \$630,000.00

under General Government \$617,000.00 was taxed for and the difference we got out of 316 \*C\*. We had to do it as the year progressed. There is one item dealing with Streets. They wanted some work done on Connaught Ave. in the Westmount Subdivision. It was \$15,000.00 and we put it through 316 "C". You can't blow hot and cold. You have to face facts. The welfare of the City is increasing. You would not attempt to write the Charter for the City one year shead. You would not attempt to write the debt service charges of the City. There is no thought as to what the \$400,000.00 will mean which has not been approved as yet. We are going to be soaked for another \$300,000.00 for a school and services. I don't think you can point the finger of criticism at expenditures during the last 3 years. When you say this is not right make a definite statement and we will dig into it. I don't want the general idea to go abroad that this Council is spending high wide and handsome. We get permissive authority to pay grants. This year when the budget was struck Council met and voted those grants and they come into the taxation of next year. We needed \$3,000.00 for Natal Day. We do it under 316 \*C\*. You write it into next year. We needed \$15,000.00 for a killing plant. We need extra dollars here and there. The Commissioner of Finance will give us the information from month to month. There is nothing serious. There is nothing wrong. You cannot tear down the whole house because a window was broken or to satisfy some little quirk you are not sure of is going on. Alderman Hatfield is still young in the game. I have had 10 years. You have to give and take and not smear the Civic Government, because we paid one employee a few dollars which he was entitled to. "

8:40 His Worship the Mayor resumes the Chair.

Alderman Hatfield stated he did not have any intention of issuing any smear on the City or its finances, but all he wanted was a picture as the year goes along of what is being spent above what has already been authorized.

He also stated that the group in the Housing Office was raised because someone in that office was raised. He felt that Council could deal with all employees on a fair and equitable basis.

Alderman DeWolf stated that the employees raised was for additional work not an increase and that the employees concerned undoubtedly had saved the City money. One man is on call 24 hours of the day. It did not increase or decrease the taxes as it comes out of the profits. The end of the year would tell whether there was a profit or a deficit. He said that some Departments spend in a seasonal way. He suggested that Alderman Hatfield bring the matter to the Finance & Executive Committee where it would be discussed and if it were good it could be recommended to Council.

Alderman Donahoe stated that he believed the principle to be a right one in that no committee with authority to spend money should do so without Council giving the authority. He also said that with respect to current and capital expenditures the Aldermen should be given the best information as to the position of same. He again stated that if the Aldermen were kept up to date on the expenditures over and above the estimates they would be in a better position also.

Alderman Vaughan stated that the first section of the motion is unnecessary as the Charter says the accounts should be routed through the Finance and Executive Committee.

His Worship the Mayor said there is no money spent without authority either by Committee or routed through the Council. Department Heads send their accounts to their respective Committees each month and salaries also come through. They are passed subject to audit and then audited and sent to Council. He suggested that Alderman Hatfield secure his information from the Commissioner of Finance rather than labor it in Council. He said all he could see from the first part of the motion was that all accounts go through the Finance & Executive Committee and then come through Council.

Alderman Donahoe felt that if the Housing Accommodation Committee had access to funds and they do not come to Council they should do so. He said the principle involved was that a Committee of Council was spending money without authority from Council.

At the request of Alderman Hatfield and with the consent of Council Part 1 of the motion was withdrawn.

The motion as amended approving of Farts 2 and 3 was then put and passed public HEARING REZONING BLOCK BOUNDED BY RUSSELL, GOTTINGEN, ROOME AND BARRINGTON STREETS

Alderman Vaughan stated that this particular rezoning has brought about a great deal of opposition in the section affected and that he had talked to the petitioner and explained to him the circumstances and he had asked that his petition be withdrawn.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Duffy that Item #4 be deleted from the Agenda. Motion passed.

Mr. Tibbs of the Relief Commission expressed appreciation of the Commission for Council's action in this case.

## ACCOUNTS

A resolution covering the accounts of the various Committees was submitted as follows:

RESOLVED that this Council approve for payment the bills and accounts of expenditures submitted to this meeting by the Finance & Executive Committee amounting to \$84,647.04; the Committee on Safety amounting to \$2,651.99 chargeable to Fire Alarm; \$32,959.44 chargeable to Fire Department; \$36,062.36 chargeable to Police Department; the Committee on Public Health & Welfare amounting to \$44,928.67 chargeable to Health Department; \$20,050.29 chargeable to City Home; \$4,098.20 chargeable to City Prison; the Committee on Works amounting to \$63,175.25; the Directors of Point Pleasant Park amounting to \$2,122.91; the Housing Accommodation Committee amounting to \$3,715.77; the Recreation Committee amounting to \$3,715.77; the Recreation Committee amounting to \$22,345.22 under the provisions of Section 315 of the City Charter.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200,00

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date approved and recommended for payment the following accounts:

H. R. Doane & Company	\$3,600.00
Imperial Press Limitea	327.65 3,595.89
The Book Room Limited Bookshelf Bindery, Ltd.	288.59
Wallace Advertising Limited	2,936.52

Respectfully aubmitted,

w. P. Publicover,

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### ACCOUNT HALTFAX INFIRMARY

Hallfax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report was submitted from the Public Health & Welfare Committee recommending that an account amounting to the sum of \$100.00 against the Halifax Infirmary for Globulin Serum, be cancelled.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. Publicover, GIVY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Movion passed.

# SURGICAL AND HOSPITAL ACCOUNTS

Hallfax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held

on the above date a report was submitted from the Safety Committee recommending for payment hospital and surgical accounts, covering injuries received by members of the Police and Fire Departments, while in the execution of their duties as follows:

### CONSTABLE WALTER CLANCEY

Dr. E. F. Rose \$ 100.00 Dr. Carl Stoddard 15.00

CONSTABLE ARTHUR WESLEY

Arthur Wesley \$ 60.00

CAPTAIN RAYMOND CURRIE

Dr. John Merritt \$ 45.00 V. G. Hospital 18.75

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# ACCOUNT VICTORIA GENERAL HOSPITAL

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that the sum of \$45.00 be accepted from the Army Benevolent Fund in full settlement of an account of \$60.00 against J. W. Pettipas for hospitalization at the Victoria General Hospital.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# WRITE-OFF UNCOLLECTIBLE TAX ACCOUNTS

Halifax, N. 8., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held

on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that uncollectible tax accounts amounting to \$3,786.23 be written off under the authority of Section 283, Subsection 2 of the City Charter.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### WRITE-OFF UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS CITY HOME

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Finance recommending that uncollectible accounts of the City Home amounting to \$2,092.50 be written off.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### WRITE-OFF ACCOUNT JEWISH CEMETERY

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date recommended for approval the attached report from the Committee on Works respecting betterment charges against the Jewish Cemetery.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

August 14, 1951.

Re Betterment Charges - Jewish Cemetery.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance & Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held today the attached letter from Mr. R. A. Kanigsberg in regard to a bill for Betterment Charges against the Jewish Cemetery, in the amount of \$688.75 was considered.

The Committee recommended that permissive legislation be obtained to write off this charge for sewerage.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved.

Motion passed.

#### CLAIM ELIZABETH NICKERSON

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report was submitted from the Committee on Works recommending payment of a claim from Elizabeth Nickerson amounting to \$23.55 covering damages to her car caused by backing into a catchpit on Elm Street.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation providing a release is furnished satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### FLOODING BOILER ROOM CITY HOME

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

The attached report from the Committee on Works recommending the construction of a sewer at an approximate cost of \$4,200.00 to relieve flooding conditions at the City Home Boiler Room was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

July 27th, 1951.

#### Re Flooding Conditions - Boiler Room - City Home

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

The Committee on Works at a meeting held on July 24th considered the attached report from the Commissioner of Works in regard to damage caused by the flooding of the Beiler Room at the City Home during heavy rain falls.

He estimated it would cost approximately \$4,200.00 to remedy these conditions.

The Committee recommended that the funds required to do this work be obtained from the sale of the portion of the City Home property to the Provincial Government, and that permission be obtained from the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### GRADING INDUSTRIAL SITE FORRESTER STREET

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

The attached report from the Committee on Works respecting the grading of a proposed Industrial Site bordering on the Cotton Factory Siding was considered by the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that application be made to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for authority to obtain the necessary funds from monies received for the sale of City owned land.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

August 10th, 1951.

Re Estimated Cost Grading Proposed Industrial
Site Forrester Street

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 7th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works in regard to the proposed industrial site bordering on the Cotton Factory Branch Siding, was considered.

The Committee recommended that the site be graded at an estimated cost of \$15,000.00 and when the amount of \$10,000.00 has been spent the land be inspected to see if additional grading is necessary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, Clerk of Works.

August 7th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

Accompanied by the Town Planning Engineer and the Superintendent of Street, a perambulation survey was made of the proposed industrial site bordering on the Cotton Factory Branch Siding, access being gained to this area through the extension eastwardly of Forrester Street.

The area of the City-owned land is approximately two hundred and fifty thousand (250,000 sq. ft.) square feet, and the area adjoining to the eastward being owned by the Halifax Relief Commission and comprising an area of one hundred thousand (100,000 sq. ft.) square feet, making a total area of approximately three hundred and fifty thousand (350,000) square feet. This land does not lend itself to cuts and fills but it was thought to fill up the hollows and generally grade the land, sloping northwardly toward the Bedford Basin, that a considerable amount of fill would be required. The total estimated cost would be in the neighborhood for the both pieces of about \$15,000.00 for this grading.

It should be kept in mind that the grading of this area would greatly depend upon the use for which this land would be required.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, Commissioner of Works.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved.

Alderman Donahoe stated that he thought Council should have some idea as to what would be done with the land after grading. He wanted to know if anyone were interested in it, if so how much would the City get and could the City get the money

back that would be spent on it. He felt that the persons interested should be the ones to pay for the work not the City. He said he would be in favor of it if there were some good reason why the land should be graded and provided the City would get its money back. Otherwise the City should go slowly on this matter.

Alderman DeWolf stated that it is well to be able to use the land and show it in full but he said he objected to spending \$15,000.00 for grading. He said for 5 acres it is at the rate of \$3,000.00 an acre. By the time the land is ready to be sold the firm purchasing would have a pretty high price to pay. He felt that the amount suggested was too much. He said a bulldozer could be hired for about \$70.00 a day and if it were used for 50 days a lot of work could be done for \$3,500.00. He stated that there was no need for working on 6 acres for a year.

Alderman Breen stated that the total appropriation was \$15,000.00 but after \$10,000.00 was spent a stop was to be applied.

has labored to attract industries to the City and while nothing definite is scheduled there is reason to assume that 3 or 4 industries are interested in coming here. The Committee felt the land would be more attractive to industries if it were window dressed. He recommended that the report be approved.

Alderman DeWolf suggested \$5,000.00 be spent. He asked if it were proposed to haul fill to the site.

Mr. Harris stated that there were many boulders and hollows in the land and that it sloped towards the Basin. He said it was thought best to put fill on the land to level it up. He said that \$5,000.00 spent at a time was a good suggestion.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the City spend a sum not exceeding \$5,000.00 and then see if there is a demand for the land.

\$5,000.00 suggested. He said if it were stopped there it would be a total loss. He said he doubted if a bulldozer could do too much of a job with the boulders due to their size. He felt the rest of the Aldermen were not in full knowledge of what the Industrial Committee knew there is good reason to believe that there are prospective purchasers of the land. He said there is one firm in Central Canada looking over sites and would be back in Halifax. He felt if the land were not improved some, they would not waste much time. He suggested that the original report be approved.

In answer to a question from Alderman Breen Mr. Harris stated that \$5,000.00 would not do a job that would be very presentable to show to an industry.

Alderman Donahoe stated he wanted to feel a little more assured that the City was going to get its money back within a reasonable date.

Alderman DeWolf stated that it is essential and part of a demand to establish an industry. It should be reasonably level. He said he would be staisfied to see it set at \$15,000.00, but spend no more than \$5,000.00 till it is known what the Commissioner of Works needs.

Alderman Vaughan wanted to know if the inquiries came from industrial firms or was there parties interested and approached the City.

His Worship the Mayor replied that Mr. G. A. Owen is Chairman of the Industrial Committee of the Board of Trade and they had done a lot of work projecting requests and trying to establish industries in the City. Through Dr. Howland there are 4 industries definitely interested in coming to the City.

Alderman Vaughan: "Is this expenditure one the City can do? Is it a civis purpose?"

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City could do it under the "sale of land" account.

In reply to a question from His Worship the Mayor, Mr. Rooney advised that at the moment he knew of no particular section in the Charter that authorized the expenditure of civic funds for the purpose of improving vacant land.

His Worship the Mayor stated that there was nothing in the Charter that prevented the City from spending money for such a purpose.

Mr. Rooney then added that it was not correct to conclude from the fact that there was no statutory provision forbidding the doing of a certain act, it therefore followed that such act could lawfully be done. Unless there is a positive enactment authorizing the expenditure of civic funds for such purpose there is no authority to do so.

Mr. Rooney then suggested to Council that this matter be deferred until later on in the meeting and that in the meantime he would examine the provisions of the City Charter for the purpose of determining whether there were any statutory authority governing this matter.

The suggestion was agreed to by Council.

Mr. Rooney later advised that he had examined the City Charter and found that while there were sections covering the sale of vacant land and assistance to new industries, he was not able to find any specific section authorizing the expenditure of civic funds for improving vacant land for the purpose of selling the same to new industries.

Moved in amendment by Alderman DeWolf that the matter be referred back to the Committee on Works or Industrial Committee for further consideration.

There was no seconder to this.

Alderman Breen suggested voting the full amount of \$15, 000.00 but spend up to \$5,000.00 and then come back to Council.

Both Alderman Donahoe and Vaughan stated that the purpose for spending this money should be included in the resolution and it should state "with a view to making the land more desirable to purchasers" and that the City should have in mind specific purchasers before the money is spent.

It was agreed by Council to substitute \$5,000.00 for \$10,000.00 in the original report and when put was passed 7 voting for the same and 3 against it as follows:

### FOR THE AMENDMENT

#### AGAINST IT .

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Lane
Fox
Hatfield
MacMillan

Alderman Donahoe Duffy Vaughan

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### REPLACING HOT WATER TANKS CITY HOME

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

A report from the Public Health & Welfare Committee recommending the installation of two hot water tanks in the City Home at an approximate cost of \$750.00 was considered by the Finance & Executive Committee, at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee concurs in this report and recommends that the funds required for this purpose be obtained from the current estimates of the City Home.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE #27 RESPECTING DOGS FIRST READING

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

The attached amendments to Ordinance #27 respecting Dogs were considered by the Finance and Executive Committee, at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to recommend that the amendments be read and passed a first time.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### AMENDMENTS TO THE ORDINANCE

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and Council of the City of Halifax as follows:

- 1. Section 2 of Ordinance No. 27 respecting Dogs is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - 2. Every owner of a dog which is at least six months old on the 1st day of May in any year shall register such dog with the City during the month of May in such year.

    Any owner of a dog required to be registered hereunder who fails to comply with the provisions of this Section shall be guilty of an offence.
- 2. Section 3 of said Ordinance No. 27 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

Every owner of a dog which attains the age of six months after the first day of May in any year shall register such dog with the City within thirty days after the attaining of such age of six months. Any owner of a dog required to be registered hereunder who fails to comply with the provisions of this Section shall be guilty of an offence.

- 3. Section 4 of said Ordinance No. 27 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - 4. Every owner of a dog upon registering the same with

the City shall pay a fee of two dollars (\$2.00) and obtain a license therefor from the official designated by the Council to sign and issue the same. Any owner of a dog who fails to pay the fee prescribed hereunder shall be guilty of an offence.

- 4. Section 6 of said Ordinance No. 27 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - 6. (1) The official designated by the Council to sign and issue licenses shall supply each owner of a registered and licensed dog with a metal tag for each dog so registered and licensed. Each metal tag so supplied shall have the registration and license number clearly and visibly stamped thereon.
  - shall keep on such dog a collar with the metal tag supplied with the license therefor securely attached thereto. Any owner of a registered and licensed dog who fails to comply with the provisions of this Sub-section shall be guilty of an offence.
- 5. Section 7 of said Ordinance No. 27 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - 7. (1) Every owner of a dog who allows or permits such dog to run at large in the City unaccompanied by some person in charge thereof shall be guilty of an offence.
  - (2) Any such running at large by any dog shall be prima facie evidence that the same was done with the permission of the owner of such dog.
- 6. Section 8 of said Ordinance No. 27 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - 8. Any owner of a dog who violates or contravenes any of the provisions of Sections 2, 3, 4, 6 (2) or 7 of this Ordinance shall be liable upon conviction for each offence to a penalty of not more than five dollars and costs, and

in default of payment to imprisonment for a period of not more than ten days.

- 7. Section 9 of said Ordinance No. 27 is repealed and the following substituted therefor:
  - 9. In addition to the remedy of recovering a penalty as hereinbefore provided any dog not registered and licensed, any dog found running at large in the City unaccompanied by a person in charge thereof and any dog not wearing a collar and metal tag may be captured and impounded as hereinafter provided.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the amendments to Ordinance #27 as set out above be read and passed a first time and referred to the Finance and Executive Committee. Motion passed.

### SUPERANNUATION REFUNDS

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Commissioner of Finance respecting requests from City employees for refunds of their contributions to the Superannuation Plan was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the requests be granted and the refunds made.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Aug. 10, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee, City of Halifax, CITY HALL.

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I have received requests from the following City employees for refunds of their contributions to the proposed Superannuation Plan:-

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Sergeant R. Watts - Constable J. MacDonald	Refund	Up	To B	នព្ធធំ «	Including	Decembe:	r 31,	1950.
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#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

-- Refund Up To and Including December 31, 1950. Charles Hursimun Jacob Peter Joseph

#### CITY PRIEON

- Refund Up To and Including December 31, 1950. Raymond Muttart Don Low

#### TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Miss Frances Reynolds - Resigned May 31, 1951. Refund to May 31, 1951.

### FINANCE DEPARTMENT

- Resigned August 15, 1951. Refund to Aug. 15, 1951. Miss Sheila Chase

### PUBLIC HEALTH & WELFARE DEPT.

- Refund Up To and Including December 31, 1950. Mr. Alva Brown

I would appreciate having your instructions regarding these cases.

Yours very truly,

# M. L. Ballew, COMMISSIONER OF FINANCE.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that Motion passed. the report be approved.

## SUPERANNUATION FIVE EMPLOYEES

Hallfax, N. B., August 14, 1951.

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

The attached report from the Retirement Committee respecting the superannuation of five employees was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the report be approved and legislation obtained enabling the payment of the supplementary grants as recommended by the Department Heads such legislation to provide that such grants shall be reduced by the amounts respectively received by these five employees as old age pensions when

and after they each attain the age of seventy years.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Halifax, N. S., August 10, 1951.

To the Chairman and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen: -

At a meeting of the Retirement Committee held on the above date reports were read from the City Electrician, Commissioner of Works, Commissioner of Health and Commissioner of Finance with respect to the superannuation of the following employees.

	Entitled to under Plan	Recommended Grant by Department Head
Mr. William Donnelly	\$ 769.25	<b>\$</b> 850.75
Miss Louise Barnstead	776.03	723.97
Mr. William Halliday	307.15	592.85
Mr. Dennis Thibodeau	caip	720.00
Miss Elsie Doyle	_	850.00

It was agreed to make the following recommendations:

- (1) That the employees receive the amounts they are entitled to under the Superannuation Plan.
- (2) That this Committee go on record as saying that it does not believe that it should make recommendations for supplementary grants and that the matter is one that should be decided by the Finance and Executive Committee.
- (3) That those persons who were eligible to join the Plan but who did not sign a superannuation card within the required time, be admitted to the Plan upon payment of the deductions that would have been made when they were first eligible to join.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved.

Alderman Moriarty felt that Mr. Donnelly's case should be further considered as he would be expected to live on \$75.00 a month after paying \$55.00 per month rent.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Moriarty, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved with the exception of Mr.

Donnelly and that his case be referred back to the Finance and

Executive Committee for further consideration. Amendment passed.

#### LIBRARY APPROPRIATION

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the matter of providing a supplementary grant for the Halifax Memorial Library was considered.

A resolution that a supplementary grant of \$3,500.00 be provided under the authority of Section 316 \*C\* of the City Charter as a temporary measure only was put and resulted in a tie vote.

It was then agreed to forward the matter to Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Lane that the request be granted.

Alderman Vaughan stated that he had visited the Library and had talked with the Chief Librarian who presented the facts to him. He said he had gathered there was an urgent need for the money to permit the library to be open on the hours as scheduled.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that Council authorize the Halifax Memorial Library Committee to transfer from the appropriation for \*book binding\* included in the estimates for the year 1951, a sum not to exceed \$3,500.00; such sum to be used for salaries for additional help for the Halifax Memorial Library for the balance of the civic year under the authority of Section 314-6 of the City Charter. Amendment passed.

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT YEAR 1950

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

The Financial Statement of the City of Halifax for the year ending December 31, 1950 as prepared by H. R. Doane & Co. was submitted to the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

Your Committee recommends that the Commissioner of Finance be authorized to have this statement printed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# REPORT INTERNAL AUDITOR FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1950

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

The attached report from the Internal Auditor for the period ending December 31, 1950 was submitted to the Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date.

It was agreed to forward same to Council for its information and filing.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

August 9th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Finance and Executive Committee.

Gentlemen:-

In accordance with Chapter 56 of the Acts of Nova Scotia, 1944, I am herewith submitting to you a report of my findings as at the completion of my audit for the period ending December 31st, 1950.

I have made a complete check of all receipts and disbursements of the Tuberculosis Hospital: Communicable Diseases Hospital and all items of the Victoria General Hospital relating to the City of Halifax. In checking the accounts receivable of the above Hospitals. I find that there are many accounts that are uncollect—Hospitals. I find that there are many accounts that are uncollect—ible and I would suggest that a list of these be prepared and the authority be obtained from City Council to have them written off.

I have made a complete and thorough check of all receipts and disbursements relating to the Board of Works; the Board of School Commissioners; City Home; Fire Department; Camp Hill Cemetery; Police Department; City Prison; Fairview Cemetery and all other expenditures authorized by the City Council.

I have made periodic checks in the Cashier's Cage, City Collector's office, and have maintained a continuous check of all daily deposit slips. We have ascertained that all monies received by the Collector have been turned over to the Treasurer and deposited by him in the Royal Bank of Canada and the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

The accounts of the Halifax Athletic Commission; the Halifax Forum Commission; the Halifax Housing Commission have been audited and verified with the vouthers and receipts of such Commission.

I have confirmed and verified the cash balance on deposit in the Royal Bank of Canada as at December 31st, 1930.

Respectfully submitted,

J. L. Leitch, INTERNAL AUDITOR.

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### AVON RIVER POWER COMPANY

Hallfax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date, a report from the City Solicitor respecting an application to the Public Utilities Board by Avon River Power Company for a merger by that Company, with the Nova Scotia Light & Power Company Limited was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the City Solicitor be authorized to attend the hearing in Kentville to follow the proceedings and endeavour to see that the interests of the consumers in the City of Halifax are not adversely affected by the Merger.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf

that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## EXCHANGE OF LAND AGREEMENT

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held

on the above date, a report from the City Solicitor advising that the Department of National Defence requests that the right to occupy the Bellevue property be continued from June 15, 1951, to November 1, 1951, was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the request be granted and the sale of the property to the Maritime Telegraph & Telephone Co. Limited, completed as of November 1, 1951.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### CONFERENCE UNION N. S. MUNICIPALITIES

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the matter of appointing delegates to attend the convention of the Union of N. S. Municipalities which will be held in Sydney the 5th, 6th and 7th of September mext was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that Council appoint four of its members to attend this convention as well as the following City Officials:

City Assessor City Solicitor City Collector City Electrician Superintendent of Health Commissioner of Works

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the name of the Commissioner of Finance should be added to the report. This was agreed to. He then called for nominations to select the Council delegates.

Alderman DeWolf nominated Alderman Vaughan.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Alderman Lane, who declined.

Alderman Vaughan nominated Alderman Hatfield.

Alderman Hatfield nominated His Worship the Mayor.

Alderman Vaughan nominated Alderman Duffy.

Alderman Vaughan nominated Alderman MacMillan.

Alderman MacMillan nominated Alderman DeWolf who declined.

It was then agreed that the following would be the Council delegates: His Worship the Mayor; Aldermen Vaughan, Hatfield, Duffy

### CONFERENCE PARKS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION OF CANADA

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

and MacMillan.

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date, agreed to recommend that Alderman Redmond be authorized to attend the sixth annual convention of the Parks and Recreation Association of Canada, which will be held in Toronto, September 10 to 13, 1951, under the usual conditions.

Alderman Breen dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Fox that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### RESOLUTION COAL INDUSTRY

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

The Finance and Executive Committee at a meeting held on the above date agreed to recommend that the attached resolution respecting the Coal Industry in Nova Scotla which was passed at the annual meeting of the Municipal Council, Municipality of the County of Halifax be concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

### RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION AS PASSED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF HALIFAX - 1951

WHEREAS the market for Nova Scotia coal has rapidly dim-

inished in recent years;

AND WHEREAS modern research indicated that the by-products of coal may be as valuable as, if not more valuable than, coal itself;

AND WHEREAS this Council is of the opinion that we in Nova Scotia are missing our opportunities in not urging the rapid development of the manufacture of the by-products of coal;

AND WHEREAS this Council is further of the opinion that the Province of Nova Scotla should take the lead in encouraging the coal industry to take advantage of this tremendous opportunity;

as urging the deverament of the Promince of Nova Statia to take whatever steps are necessary to accelerate research and to encourage enterprise in the production and distribution of the by-products of coal produced in this Provinces

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be sent to each Municipality in the Province to be dealt with and that all Resolutions be forwarded to the Provincial authorities.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### SALARY SUPERINTENDENT OF HEALTH

Halifax, N. S., August 14, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Finance & Executive Committee held on the above date a letter from Mr. A. C. Pettipas requesting that he be paid a flat salary at the rate of \$5,000.00 per annum as from June 1, 1951 was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the request be granted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman DeWolf that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## ACCOUNTS OVER \$200,00

Halifax, N. S., August 9, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above

date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

Percy L. Bentley \$ 1,095.00 Wm. Scully Ltd. 486.70 Police Equipment Co., Ltd. 324.50 The Camera Shop Ltd. 288.45 Alfred J. Bell & Co., Ltd. 1,229.05

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the report be approved. Mutlon passed.

#### INSURANCE CLAIMS

Halifax, N. S., August 9, 1951.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Commil.

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date, the Chief of Police submitted cheques in the amounts of \$4.00 and \$12.00 respectively to payment for damages to a Motor-cycle and injuries to the of the Police Horses and recommending that the cheques be accepted in full settlement.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation and further recommends that the Mayor and City Clerk be authorized to execute releases on behalf of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## INSURANCE FIRE DEPARTMENT APPARATUS

Hallfax, N. S., August 9, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Safety Committee held on the above date tenders for Insurance on Fire Department apparatus covering \$50,000.00 to \$250,000.00 Public Liability and \$5,000.00 Property Damage were received from the following:

F. W. Annand Limited
Dale & Company Limited
C. Willis Hebb
Jack & Co., Ltd.
R. K. Kelley & Co. Ltd.

Thompson, Adams & Co. Ltd. Simpson-Hurst Limited John Strachan Co., Ltd.

As all tenderers quoted \$1,219.16, your Committee recommends that the insurance be divided equally among the tenderers and the Master Policy be written by Thompson, Adams & Co. Ltd.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Breen, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S., August 6, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

#### CITY HOME

796.58 2,283.65 410.52

### TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL

Merck & Company Cogswell's Photo Supplies J. A. Leaman & Co. Ltd. Howard's Limited	Ltd.	\$ 377.79 364.83 2,140.62 1,571.05
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### PUBLIC HEALTH

Underwood Limited \$ 206.25

Respectfully submitted,

w. p. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### ABATTOIR

Halifax, N. S., August 6, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health & Welfare Committee

held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending that the City Council appoint a special committee to immediately study the whole question of constructing a modern killing plant and to bring in recommendations with regard to a plan that could be submitted to the Provincial Department of Agriculture, requesting financial assistance and also the cost of establishing such a plant and the possibility of obtaining Federal Government inspection and grading.

Your Committee concurs in this recommendation.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the report be approved. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor then called for nominations to comprise the Abattoir Committee.

Alderman Vaughan nominated Alderman Breen.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Alderman Donahoe.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Alderman MacMillan.

Alderman DeWolf nominated Alderman MacDonald.

Alderman Breen nominated His Worship the Mayor to be

Chairman.

It was then agreed that those nominated would comprise the Abattoir Committee.

## TENDERS FOR GARBAGE HOSPITALS

Halifax, N. S., August 6, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health with respect to the processing of garbage to be fed to hogs and again recommending that the tender of Mr. A. E. W. Evans at \$30.00 per month for removal of the garbage and supplying containers for same be accepted and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Moriarty that the report be approved.

The motion was then put and passed 8 voting for the same and 2 against 1t as follows:

#### FOR THE MOTION

#### AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf

Alderman Lane Hatfield

Moriarty Breen

Donahoe Fox Duffy Vaughan MacMillan

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## SATURDAY MORNINGS OFF PRISON GUARDS

Halifax, N. S., August 6, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Public Health and Welfare Committee held on the above date a report was submitted from the Commissioner of Health recommending that the Guards of the City Prison be granted every second Saturday morning off throughout the year if Governor Grant can arrange some, was considered and concurred in.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Donahoe, seconded by Alderman Moriarty

that the report be approved.

Motion passed.

### ACCOUNTS OVER \$500,00

August 9th, 1951.

## Accounts over \$500.00

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 7th, the following Accounts were approved and recommended for payment:-

- I to		\$1030.00
Canadian Industries Ltd.	•	571.00
A. B. Emery	•	1850.55
Hubley Sand and Gravel Co.	-	4200.06
Imperial Oil Ltd.		4243.07
R. K. Kelley and Co. Ltd.	₩.	770.90
Riley Engineering Sales Co.	-	800.00
Princess Louise Fusiliers		

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK. Per J. B. Sabean, Clerk of Works.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### ACCOUNT OVER \$500.00

August 16th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 14th, the attached account from R. L. Kaizer Ltd., amounting to \$1613.40, for erecting the Chicken Killing Shed was approved and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### STREET LIGHTING

August 9th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 7th the attached reports from the City Electrician recommending that -

1 - 250 C. P. light be installed on Shirley Street near Robie Street at an approximate cost of \$80.27.

That 2-250 C. P. lights be installed in the Exhibition Grounds, one at each end of the Grand Stand, at an approximate cost of \$160.50 and

That 7-250 C. P. lights be installed on Claremont Street, at an approximate cost of \$561.89, to be charged to Capital Borrowing of \$5,000.00 for New Subdivision.

were approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### STREET LIGHTING

July 27th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 24th, the attached reports from the Deputy City Electrician recommending street lighting improvements on Cambridge Street, at an approximate cost of \$260.80, and on Ogilvie Street, at an approximate cost of \$276.80, were approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### STREET LIGHTING

August 16th, 1951.

Street Lighting - Leaman Street

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 14th, the attached report from the City Electrician recommending that the present lights on Leaman Street be replaced with new fixtures, with one additional, at an installation cost of approximately \$357.75, was approved and recommended to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen

that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### ILLUMINATED SIGNS

August 10, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 7th, the attached report from the Building Inspector recommending

that the following signs be allowed to be installed was approved and recommended to City Council.

Chebucto Rd. at Windsor St. Harvard Street #219 Quinpool Road Chebucto Road at Windsor St. 421 Gottingen St. 301 Barrington St. 189 Chebucto Road 65 Windsor St. 505 Barrington St. Barrington St. 504 Chebucto Road 418 Barrington St.	- R. Crowell - Halifax Optical - Eagles Gift Shop(Richard Eagle) - Imperial Tobacco Sales Co.Ltd Canadian National Railway - Russell-Hipwell Ltd.	5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00 5.00
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Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

J. B. Sabean, Per CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen Motion passed. that the report be approved.

### ILLUMINATED SIGN

August 16th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 14th, the attached report from the Building Inspector recommending that the following sign be allowed to be installed was approved and recommended to City Council:

\$ 5.00 - 1 Sackville Street I. Platus

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

### TOWN CLOCK

July 27th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 24th, the attached report from the Historic Sites Committee asking

whether the Town Clock should be taken over by the Federal Government or retained by the City was considered.

The Committee recommended that the Clock be taken over by the Federal Government as an historic site.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### JUNIOR LEAGUE OF HALIFAX

July 28th, 1951.

Re Helifax Children's Library

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 24th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works in regard to a request from the Junior League of Halifax, for permission to continue their Junior League activities in the building vacated by the Halifax Children's Library, was considered.

The Committee recommended that the Junior League be allowed the use of the building on a month to month basis, subject to confirmation by the purchasers.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# WATER EXTENSION SEBASTIAN STREET

August 2, 1951.

Re Water Extension - Sebastian Street

His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 31st the attached report from the Public Service Commission requesting approval of the proposed water extension on Sebastian Street, ing approval of the proposed water extension on drawing D188, was at an estimated cost of \$950.00, as shown on drawing D188, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 27th, 1951.

The Commissioner of Finance, and The Commissioner of Works, City Hall, HALIFAX, Nova Scotia.

Gentlemen:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of our drawing D-188 showing a proposed extension on Sebastian Street to serve a house now under construction and nearing completion. The estimated cost of this extension is \$950. This project was approved by the Public Service Commission at a meeting held on July 22nd and I respectfully request that you bring this matter to the Board of Works and the City Council for their approval.

This is provided for in the 1951 budget and therefore no borrowing will be necessary at this time as any money which may be required will be secured from the bank and any financing necessary will be done when the total year's construction work has been completed.

Yours very truly,

Ira P. Macnab.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# WATER MAIN VICTORIA ROAD

August 2, 1951.

# Re Water Main - Victoria Road

His Worship the Mayor and Members of City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 31st the attached report from the Public Service Commission requesting approval of improvements to the water main on Victoria Road at an estimated cost of \$20,000.00, as shown on drawing \$400, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK. Per J. B. Sahean, CLERK OF WORKS.

August 16, 1951.

July 27th, 1951.

The Commissioner of Works, and The Commissioner of Finance, City Hall, Hallfax, Nova Scotia.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith is a copy of our drawing D-400 showing thereon the water main on Victoria Road marked in Red. As you know the City is paving Victoria Road this year and early in the spring we dug three test pits and cheeked the condition of the pipe which was laid in approximately 1875. In the three test holes which were dug we found the pipe to be in reasonably good condition and it was thought that it would not need to be replaced. However when we started to renew the services we found that in many places the pipe was almost eaten through. So little metal was left that the service cocks would not hold when threaded into the pipe and it was definitely determined that this main would have to be replaced.

This work is already under way so as to cause the minimum of delay to the paving program, but the matter was reported to the Public Service Commission at its meeting on July 22nd when approval was given and I am therefore reporting to you so that your records may be clear and the necessary Council approvals be obtained.

The original pipe in this area was 6\*, but to improve distribution conditions we are replacing it with an 8\* main. The estimated cost of the main replacement is \$20,000., of which \$8400. will be provided out of depreciation and the net addition to capital will amount to \$11,700.

This is provided for in the 1951 budget and therefore no borrowing will be necessary at this time as any money which may be required will be secured from the bank and any financing necessary will be done when the total year's construction work has been completed.

Yours very truly,

Ira P. Macnab.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# APPLICATION HALIFAX HARNESS HORSE CLUE

August 16th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 14th, an application from the Halifax Harness Horse Club for use of that portion of the North Common used for horse racing was again considered.

The Committee recommended that the Halifax Harness Horse Club be given the right to hold races on the North Common from October 1st 1951, to May 1st, 1952, on the same terms and conditions as last year, subject to control of the Chief of Police and that

they be obliged to construct barriers on all principal cross paths, and also provide accident insurance and any additional safeguards that may be recommended by the Chief of Police.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

# CONFIRMATORY DEED CANADA PERMANENT TRUST COMPANY

August 2, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 31st the attached letter from the City Solicitor advising that it is necessary to give the Canada Permanent Trust Company a confirmatory deed with the corrected description of a piece of land on Lady Hammond Road, was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 27th, 1951.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works.

Dear Gentlemen:-

In 1948 the City conveyed to the General Trust & Executor Corporation a piece of land adjoining Lady Hammond Road. It now appears that the description is erroneous in that the starting point is not properly fixed and there are some discrepancies in point is not properly fixed and there are some discrepancies in the distances. It would, therefore, be necessary to give to the General Trust & Executor Corporation (now Canada Permanent Trust General Trust & Executor Corporation (now Canada Permanent Trust Co.) a Confirmatory deed with the corrected description.

If this meets with your approval, would you kindly recommend same to Council.

Yours truly,

Carl P. Bethune, CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### EXPROPRIATION let. 2nd. 3rd. 4th and 5th STREETS

August 2, 1951.

Re Expropriation First St., Second St., Third St., Fourth St. and Fifth St. between Connaught Avenue and Newton Avenue.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 31st the attached report from the City Solicitor suggesting that it would be more satisfactory in this case to have the Judge of the County Court act as referee was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 27, 1951.

To His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Committee on Works.

Dear Sirs:

I wish to advise that the steps necessary to vest the title to the land or interest therein expropriated pursuant to the expropriation resolution passed by the City Council on the 14th day of June, 1951, have been taken.

Under the provisions of Section 632 (1) any owner who deems the amount of compensation paid into Court to be insufficient may, within one month from the service upon him of such notice of payment or the first publication thereof (which ever is latest), give notice in writing to the Commissioner of Works that he deems such amount of compensation to be insufficient and that he requires the same to be determined as hereinafter provided.

I am advised by the Commissioner of Works that three such claims have been filed, as follows:

- (1) July 10, 1951. Mrs. Rhoda Goldberg (Re Third St.)
- (2) July 17, 1951. Elizabeth Beckford ( Re First St.)
- (3) July 24, 1951. Mr. Harry L. Simon ( Re First St.)

It will be noted that the third notice was not given to the Commissioner of Works within one month from the service of notice, as required by Section 623(1). This may be fatal to Mr. Simon's claim. I shall look into this matter further.

Section 623(2) provides that the amount of the compensation, where such a claim is filed, is to be determined by a referee to be agreed upon by the City and owner, or, if they are unable to agree, shall be determined by the Judge of the County

Court for District Number One, or by a referee appointed by a Judge of the Supreme Court.

In my opinion it would be more satisfactory in this case to have the Judge of the County Court act as referee.

There is a definite point of law to be considered, namely whether the persons claiming compensation have any legal title to the street. In my opinion this is very doubtful and it may be that the matter will be determined on this basis alone.

If my suggestion of the matter being heard by the Judge of the County Court for District Number One is approved by the Council, I will then be in a position to take the matter up with the solicitors for the various claimants and have the matter proceed.

Yours very truly,

Carl P. Bethune, CITY SOLICITOR.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

### SIDEWALK PETITIONS

August 2, 1951.

Re Petitions Concrete Sidewalks, Curb & Gutter, Etc.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 31st the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending a list of streets for Curbs and Gutters, Sidewalks and Sodding, as the case may be, was considered.

The Committee approved the report with the recommendation that work not be started on Dalhousie Street until the matter of counter petitions is again reviewed.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 31st, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

Petitions have been received from time to time for the following curb and gutters, sidewalk and sodding, as the case may be:-

**\$** 34,235.00 13,330.

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Street	Side	From	To	Work E	st.Cost	
Highland Ave.	West	Normandy Dr.	Leeds St.	Sidewalk & Sodding \$	2,800.00	\$1,170.
Leeds St.	North	Merson G	<b>lottingen</b>	Sidewalk,C. &G. Sodding	ゔ <b>,</b> 700 <b>.</b> 00	1,540.
Ed.Arab Ave.	Both	Jack Fergusson	Wm.Hunt	Sidewalk & Sodding	9,400.00	3,880.
Jack Fergusso	n Both	Ed.Arab Ave.	Westerly	Sidswalk & Sodding	1,870.00	730.
South St.	North	Sheriff Hall	Oxfori	Sidewalk & Sodding	1,870.00	365.
Dalhousie St.	West	South St.	Beaufort	Sidewalk & C&G &Sodding	2,970.00	1,160.
Prescott St.	Both	Gabot	300° N.	C. & G.	1,900.00	405.
Stanley St.	Both	Robie S%.	frescott	Sidewalk, 0. G.& Sodding	4,250.00	1,750。
Acadia St.	Both	Duffus St.	Vestry	C. & G.	4,375.00	1,900.
South St.	North	In front of R	ink	Sidewalk & Sodding	1,100.00	430.

The petitions for the above streets have been signed by well over 50% of the frontage of the owners, many have been 100% to have the work done, with the exception of Dalhousie Street, west side; have the of objection was received from the owner of the property on a letter of objection was received from the owner of the property on the south-west corner of Dalhousie Street and South Street, stating that they found it a very heavy burden since sidewalks, curb and that they found it a very heavy burden since sidewalks, curb and gutter and street paving were laid on South Street, and have requested that this street be delayed for some time.

It is therefore recommended that the above streets be ordered, and that this Committee consider whether Dalhousie Street should be included or not.

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST and Assessment

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### STREET LINES LYNCH STREET

August 10th, 1951.

Re: Street Lines - Lynch Street

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 7th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that the proposed new eastern street line of Lynch Street be adopted as shown on Plan No. FF-2-11771, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

August 7, 1951.

To His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:

The original layout of Lynch Street from Duffus Street northwardly to Vestry Street shows the street to be laid out with a total width of 80 feet. Attached is a plan showing the whole area bounded by Barrington, Duffus, Gottingen, and Glebe Streets and shows superimposed upon this plan the proposed new eastern street line of Lynch Street, shown in red. This proposal reduces the width from 80 feet to the normal 60 foot street which is the width of Lynch Street north of Vestry Street.

At the rear of the prefab houses on the eastern side of Lynch Street from Duffus to Vestry is a very steep bank and by reducing the width of Lynch Street the houses could be relocated and brought out nearer to the street line thus allowing sufficient land in the rear of the houses which would eliminate the possible necessity of erecting a retaining wall.

It is therefore, recommended that the proposed new eastern street line of Lynch Street be adopted as shown on Plan No. FF-2-11771.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### ACQUISITION OF LAND FRANCKLYN STREET

August 2, 1951.

Re. Acquisition of Land - Francklyn Street at Inglewood Drive.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July
31st the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that a small triangular strip of land, approximately 55 sq.
ft., be acquired from Mr. D. H. Sotherland in order to widen Francklyn
Street at the south-western intersection of Inglewood Drive was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 31st, 1951.

Re: Acquisition of Land - Francklyn Street
At Inglewood Drive

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen: --

In order to widen Francklyn Street at the southwestern intersection of Inglewood Drive, it is necessary to acquire a small traingular strip of land having an area of approximately fifty-five square feet (55 sq. ft.), from Mr. D. H. Sutherland, owner of the corner lot at this intersection.

Due to the extension southwardly of Francklyn Street it was necessary to raise the grade of Inglewood Drive to approach this intersection. Arrangements have been made to meet the garage entrance for Mr. Sutherland, and would amount to approximately \$51.00, with the understanding that the triangular strip of land required would be conveyed to the City by Mr. Sutherland.

It is therefore recommended that this land be acquired and the City do the necessary work to meet the garage requirements, and furthermore, that the grading of Inglewood Drive then be completed and accepted as a City street.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### SALE OF LAND GOTTINGEN AND COGSWELL STREETS

August 2nd, 1951.

Re: Sale of Land - Southeast Corner of Gottingen St. and Cogswell St.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 31st the attached report from the Commissioner of Works in regard to the tender of Messrs. Daley, Phinney and Ritchie for the purchase of the property, Lot #1, at the southeastern corner of Gottingen and Cogswell Streets was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended to Council that abutters on the Right-of-Way be charged a maximum fee of not over \$2.00 per foot for grading.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 30th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:

At the January 11th. meeting of City Council, the tender of Messrs. Daley, Phinney & Ritchie, amounting to \$28,975.00 for the purchase of the property Lot #1 located at the southeastern corner of Gottingen & Cogswell Streets, was accepted.

However, when it was proposed to prepare a deed for the conveyance of this lot it was thought desirable to have included a thirty (30°) foot Right-of-Way along the eastern edge of this lot, which Right-of-Way would extend from Cogswell Street through to Rainnie Drive so as to serve the interior lots.

An estimate of cost has been prepared for the grading of this Right-of-Way and amounts to approximately \$2600.00; the total frontage on both sides is about thirteen hundred (1300) feet, making the rate per foot frontage approximately \$2.00.

I have now received a letter under date of July 26th, whereby Messrs. Daley, Phinnie & Ritchie are prepared to pay this grading cost which would amount to approximately \$380.00, along their frontage on the Right -of-Way.

It is therefore recommended that this matter be finalized and that the conveyance be prepared for the purchaser of this lot, and that the other purchasers having interest in this Rightof-Way be notified that a deed will be given upon their assurance to pay for the grading of their share of the Right-of-Way.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### ACQUISITION OF LAND CHEBUCTO AND MUMFORD ROADS

August 10th, 1951.

Re Milburn Property - Chebucto Road and Mumford Road

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a wreting of the Committee on Works held on August 7th, the question of purchasing land from Mr. Douglas Milburn for street widening purposes was again considered.

The Committee recommended that the City Assessor's recommendation be again recommended to City Council for adoption. Alderman DeWolf and Vaughap dissenting.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Fer J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Jame 11, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Board of Works, City Hall, Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:

Attached is letter from Douglas Milburn owner of the land in question offering to sell the land under the terms set out in his letter to the Board under date of May 21st, 1951, for the sum of \$14,880. This amount covers the cost of removing a portion of the building on the east side and replacing the same on the west side. Mr. Milburn's original request was for \$23,000.

I have had independent advice on the matter and in view of this information the amount asked is not out of the way.

It is recommended that the land be acquired at the price asked.

Yours respectfully,

J. F. McManus.

Moved by Alderman Mortarty, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Fox, seconded by Alderman Duffy that the portion of land the City was going to purchase

be expropriated and that the sum of \$8,000.00 be offered for it.

City Assessor: "If Council sees fit to expropriate it and fix the amount, you will have to pay \$8,000.00 into Court.

If the Judge decided you would have to pay more, you would have to pay interest plus 10% for compulsory taking."

Alderman Vaughan: "Could we withdraw after a decision is given?"

City Assessors \*No. \*

Alderman Donahoe: \*I am concerned about paying more for the land if it goes to Court. If we can't get any better offer, then there is no other recourse but to try it.\*

His Worship the Mayor stated that it would be a test case.

The amendment was then put and resulted in a tie vote 5 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:

#### FOR THE AMENDMENT

#### AGAINST IT

Alderman Donahoe Duffy Fox Lane MacMillan	Alderman	Breen DeWolf Hatfield Moriarty Vaughan
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His Worship the Mayor cast his vote against the amendment and declared it lost.

The motion was then put and resulted in a tie vote 5 voting for the same and 5 against it as follows:

#### FOR THE MOTION

#### AGAINST IT

Alderman Moriarty Alderman DeWolf
Breen Lane
Domahoe Fox
Hatfield Duffy
MacMillan Vaughan

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His Worship the Mayor cast his vote in favor of the motion and declared it passed.

#### Alderman Fox gave Notice of Reconsideration.

### TENDERS FOR #121-123 CUNARD STREET

July 27th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 24th, the following tenders were received for the above property:

Samuel Goodman	\$ 2,550.00
J. J. Hollett	1,000.00
George Redmond	1,025.00
Albert Tompkins	1,000.00
Raymond W. Ferguson	3,500.00

The Committee recommended that the highest tender be accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## TENDERS FOR SPRINKLER SYSTEMS T. B. AND I. D. HOSPITALS

August 2, 1951.

Tender for Sprinkler Systems
Tuberculosis Hospital and Infectious Diseases Hospital

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 31st the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that the following tenders be accepted was considered:-

Tuberculosis Hospital
Automatic Sprinkler Company of Canada, Limited - - \$ 16,000.00 for complete coverage.

Infectious Diseases Hospital
Scotia Sprinklers, Limited
Which price includes the Utility building in the rear housing X-Ray Film, Paint and Carpenter Shop.

The Sales Tax is included in both tenders.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same

to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

July 27th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen: -

Tenders for the installation of Sprinkler Systems in the Tuberculosis and Infectious Disease Hospitals were opened at a meeting of the Committee held last Tuesday, July 24th., and referred to me for report.

At the same time I was requested to submit a report of the status of the three Companies, which submitted tenders, on the City Tax Rolls. Attached hereto is a report from the City Assessor for the information of the Committee.

The tenders were discussed with the Chief of the Fire Department, and it is recommended the following tenders be accepted:-

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL - Automatic Sprinkler Company of Canada Limited - \$ 16,000.00 For complete coverage.

INFECTIOUS DISEASES HOSPITAL - Scotia Sprinklers - \$ 7,200.00

Which price also includes the Utility Building in the rear housing X-Ray Film, paint and Carpenter Shop.

The Sales Tax is included in both tender prices.

The City of Halifax will be required to instal the water service connection and the painting of the system, once installed. There will also be the additional expense of connecting the systems to the Fire Alarm. An amount of \$50,000.00 is available to cover both projects.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### WATER PIPE CONNECTIONS SPRINKLER SYSTEMS T.B. & I.D. HOSPITALS

August 16th, 1951.

Re Water Pipe Connections Sprinkler Systems - Tuberculosis and
Infectious Diseases Hospitals

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 14th, the attached report from the Commissioner of Works was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicaver, ClTY GLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, OLERK OF WORKS.

August 10th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

An estimate of cost has been made for making the necessary water pipe extensions and also extensions to the two Hospitals, namely the Tuberculosis and Infectious Diseases Hospitals.

The total estimated cost for supplying and laying the necessary water pipe, excavations, etc. amounts to about \$3,000.00.

It is recommended that this be ordered so that suitable connections may be made when these buildings are equipped with Sprinkler Systems.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION INGLEWOOD SUBDIVISION

August 10th, 1951.

Sewer and Water Extensions -Inglewood \*B\* Subdivision

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August

7th the attached report from the Commissioner of Works recommending that sewer and water extension be ordered to service the new Subdivision fronting on Colchester Road from the boundary of Lots 32 and 33 eastwardly to Francklyn Street, was considered.

The Committee approved the report and recommended same to City Council for adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

August 6, 1951.

To His Worship the Mayor, Chairman, and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

#### Sewer Extension

A request has been received from The Eastern Trust Company for a sewer extension to service the lots in their new subdivision fronting on Colchester Road from the boundary of lots 32 and 33 eastwardly to Francklyn Street.

Connection for this sewer would be made to the North West Arm Sewer through a right-of-way provided in the subdivision plan.

The total length of the sewer extension required is 1,000 feet and the total estimated cost \$6,000. with an estimated sewer assessment of \$2,800.

It is therefore recommended that this sewer extension be ordered.

#### Water Extension

The Eastern Trust Company have also applied to the Public Service Commission for the extension of water service to serve the above area. The Public Service Commission have requested the permission of the City Council to extend the water system along Francklyn Street thence westwardly along Colchester Road to the boundary line between lots 32 and 33. This extension is provided for in the Commission's 1951 Budget and no borrowing is necessary and further, that the Eastern Trust Company guaranteed the Service Commission an amount of \$3,000 towards the capital cost of this work.

It is, therefore, recommended that this water extension be also ordered so that both sewer and water may be laid in a combined trench.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### FAIRVIEW CITY ENTRANCE

August 16th, 1951.

Re New Fairview - City Entrance

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on August 14th, the attached report and plans submitted by the Commissioner of Works were considered.

The Committee approved the plans and recommended to Council that the Provincial Government be asked to pay 50% of the cost of the Highway from Bayers Road to the Dutch Village Road.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

August 14th, 1951.

His Worship the Mayor, Chairman and Members of the Committee on Works.

Gentlemen:-

On August 1st. a meeting was held with Mr. McColough, Deputy Minister of Highways, Mr. Belliveau, Chief Engineer, Department of Highways, Mr. Snook, and myself in regard to the proposed Fairview entrance to the City of Halifax.

Attached is Plan #QQ-3-11879 showing the proposed entrance affecting both the City and the County, and also attached is Plan #QQ-3-11880 showing the land necessary in the City for the fulfillment of land required, from the Fairview entrance to Bayers Road only.

It is suggested that the schemes as shown on these Plans be adopted and thus finalize with the Provincial Government.

Respectfully submitted,

A. C. Harris, COMMISSIONER OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen

that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SEWERAGE AND SANITATION CONVENTION

August 1, 1951.

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Re Canadian Institute on Sewerage & Sanitation Convention - Toronto.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Committee on Works held on July 31st the attached letter from the Commissioner of Works recommending that Mr. E. J. Feetham be given permission to attend a meeting of the Canadian Institute on Sewerage & Sanitation in Toronto on August 21st to 23rd inclusive, the expenses for the trip to cost approximately \$350.00, was approved and recommended to City Council.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### EXHIBITION PROPERTY

August 9th, 1951.

Re: Exhibition Property

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on August 7th, a report from the Industrial Committee recommending that a decision be made as to the future use of the Exhibition Property was considered.

The Committee recommended to Council that the remaining portion of the Exhibition Property now owned by the City be held for its original purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### RESUBDIVISION ELLIOTT PROPERTY

August 2, 1951.

Re Altering Lots 4, 5 & 6 of the Elliott Subdivision - Dutch Village Road

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on July 31st, the attached Plan No. 00-4-11833 showing subdivision of the above property was presented for a public hearing.

As no objections were received the Board recommended to Council that the resubdivision be approved and the necessary by-law prepared for submission and approval of the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS,

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report and By-Law as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

#### RESUBDIVISION CITY PROPERTY BEAUFORT AVENUE

August 2, 1951.

Re Altering Lots 1, 2 & 5 of the City of Halifax, Subdivision Beaufort Arenus.

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on July 31st the attached Plan No. P.P.-7-11521A showing resubdivision of the above property was presented for a public hearing.

As no objections were received the Board recommended to Council that the resubdivision be approved and the necessary By-Law prepared for submission and approval of the Department of Municipal Affairs.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report and By-Law as submitted be approved. Motion passed.

#### NORTH STREET WIDENING

July 27th, 1951.

Re North Street Widening for Halifax/ Dartmouth Bridge Approach

His Worship the Mayor and Members of the City Council.

At a meeting of the Town Planning Board held on July 24th, the attached report from the Town Planning Engineer recommending approval of Plan QQ-3-11803 to widen North Street from Gottingen Street eastward to the bridge proper, was considered.

The Board approved the plan and recommended to Council that it be forwarded to the Bridge Commission.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Per J. B. Sabean, CLERK OF WORKS.

Moved by Alderman Vaughan, seconded by Alderman Breen that the report be approved. Motion passed.

ACCOUNTS OVER \$200,00

Halifax, N. S., August 15, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Housing Accommodation Committee held on the above date the following accounts were approved and recommended for payment:

Lanigan Lumber Ltd. C. S. Barkhouse \$ 402.15 519.00

Respectfully submitted,

W. 2. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DaWolf, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved. Motion passed.

#### ACCOUNTS OVER \$200.00

Halifax, N. S., August 7, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Prefab Committee held on the above date an account amounting to \$410.00 and payable to Gordon M. Graham for legal services was approved and recommended for payment.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

#### BAYERS ROAD HOUSING CONTRACT

Halifax, N. S., August 16, 1951.

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

The Slum Clearance and Public Housing Committee met on the above date and agreed to recommend that Section 7-B on page 3 of the 4 party agreement on Public Housing as approved by Council on August 6, 1951, be amended by deleting therefrom the following words: \*provided that such sum per housing unit shall not be less than One hondred and twenty two Dollars and fifty cents (\$122.50) per unit per annum.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Hatfield, seconded by Alderman Vaughan that the report be approved.

Alderman Hatfield explained for the information of Council the 4 different ways the Dominion Government would pay the City taxes on the Housing Project. He stated that it was the feeling of the Slum Clearance & Public Housing Committee that accepting 25% of the rentals collected in lieu of taxation would be the best proposition.

In reply to a question from Alderman Breen, Alderman Hatfield stated that the correspondence was from Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation to Mr. Fielding, Minister of Municipal Affairs with a copy being forwarded to the City.

Alderman DeWolf asked if it were found that the tenders were higher than \$1,600,000 as the total cost would the scheme fall through or has the Committee authority to pay more to which Alderman Hatfield replied in the negative and said the Committee would have to come back to Council in any case for final approval.

His Worship the Mayor said he was disturbed about the Borrowing Resolution in that nothing was mentioned about slum clearance.

Alderman Vaughan stated that slum clearance was another phase of the Committee's operation and that when this matter had

been cleared away they would then go into slum clearance.

Alderman Breen wanted to know if the people in the blighted area would be able to move into these units and was advised that it would depend upon their income.

Alderman Breen said that people were permitted to stay in these units even if their income went as high as \$10,000.00 and so would the people in the slum houses remain there. He said people were being subsidized who had an unlimited earning capacity. He wanted to know if the cost of the land and services were included in the \$400,000.00. He feared that this sum was only the initial cost. He wanted to know the cost of the land plus the services. He also wanted to know if it were true that this particular piece of land was acquired for the specific purpose of building 200 houses on it.

Alderman Hatfield replying to Alderman Breen stated that Page 6 of the Agreement gave the answer. The cost of the land is included in the \$1,600,000.00.

Alderman Breen wanted to know how the cost of the land was arrived at and by whom to which Alderman Hatfield stated it was the owner.

Alderman Breen asked what voice the City had in determining the price of the land to which Alderman Hatfield stated that the Committee considered \$25,000.00 to be a good sum and the Council approved it. He said it was all laid down in the Agreement and presumed that Alderman Breen had read it to which Alderman Breen said he could not understand it.

Alderman Vaughan said that the City was subsidizing property not far from City Hall, where assessments were anywhere from \$1200.00 to \$1800.00 housing several families who would be paying about \$81.00 a year or \$10.00 a family. He said in the west end of the City the Committee had in mind moving people out of a poor environment into a better one. He said he had been in a house on

Creighton St. where there were 9 families and it was owned by a Trust Co. The services given to those people was far in excess of the taxes received. He suggested that the matter be left standing on its own merits and see that the units are built and rented. He advised that the City was getting \$3.00 for every dollar it spent. He urged the passing of the amendment to the Agreement.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he did not know what authority the City had in this matter as it was not a slum clearance project to which Alderman Vaughan stated the City was authorized under an Act in 1933 called the Nova Scotia Housing Act and it was a step towards slum clearance.

Alderman Breen said he was against the project as there was no guarantee that it would relieve the slum areas where people could not help themselves.

His Worship the Mayor stated that it might be questioned by a later Mayor.

Mr. Rooney advised it was the authority of Bill 118 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1951.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the City was not obligated to go into housing for the benefit of people who could afford to build their own homes. He asked if the people in the slum areas would have the preference in renting these units to which Alderman Breen said "no" because the units could not be filled by low wage earners and then expect to get an average rent of \$40.00 a month per unit.

His Worship the Mayor said he was concerned over the fact whether the City was making a deal for the people in the City who are not able to look after themselves. He said he was not interested in processing a deal to satisfy Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation. He said he was greatly disturbed about it as it all came through an official of the Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation.

Alderman Vaughan said the Federal Government have officials to confer on the matter. He stated that if His Worship the Mayor were against the project he should say so to which His Worship the Mayor replied that he was for building houses for the alleviating of the slum areas which would benefit the City.

Alderman Vaughan asked if a man making \$200.00 a month to-day with 5 or 6 children was worthy of consideration as he was not considered to be in the well to do class. He could not build his own home because the down payment required 3 or 4 thousand dollars which he did not have. He said if people moved into these units it would leave a place for someone else to move up and so on. He felt this project was one step towards the final solution of the housing problem.

Vaughan had said, but he was concerned with the blighted areas. He said Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation were obligated to build 200 houses on the Bayers Road site because they got the land for that purpose. He further stated that if the Government put up 80% and the prospective builder 20% it would cover the situation.

He said he had been broken down and obstructed by an organization representing the Federal Government.

Alderman Breen stated he was of the opinion that the land was obtained by Central Mortgage & Housing Corporation on a definite promise that 200 houses would be built. He said that matter should be cleared up first. He advised that there had been a meeting in the Mayor's Office about 3 years ago with Mr. Winters present and the only help the City was offered was a slum clearance project.

Alderman Fox stated that houses on Brunswick Street were acquired by the City for slum clearance, but they are still there.

Alderman Vaughan advised the Committee on Works had recommended the purchase of these houses, to form a part of a slum

clearance program and the City Solicitor was instructed to have the people out, but that was not done.

His Worship the Mayor stated that conferences had been held with the Minister and Mr. Dudley on these matters. He said he was against the principle of committing the citizens to build houses, where the credit restrictions would not allow a person to build his own.

Alderman Vaughan asked His Worship the Mayor to table the facts at the next Council meeting and said that it could not be found in any Council minutes.

His Worship the Mayor stated there were conferences in his office. The Halifax Housing Authority had become so discouraged with the attitude of the senior levels of Government, that it had resigned and turned over the balance of the appropriation.

Alderman Vaughan asked the following questions:

- (1) Are houses needed in Halifax? (2) Is Bayers Road a good site?
- (3) Is it a good deal to get \$3.00 for the City's \$1.00 and gave as his opinion that the answer is yes to all three and said because the Provincial Government had adopted a hands off policy, the Council should feel some responsibility to the City.

His Worship the Mayor stated that he wanted to be on record that in the future years somebody would not pick this up and say that there is a mess like the City had with the Halifax Relief Commission years ago. He said it is not good.

Alderman Vaughan stated that if the Mayor were sincere in his efforts to get something started in the line of housing, he would put the question.

His Worship the Mayor again stated he wanted to be on record that he did not want to commit the City to anything that would kick back on it.

Alderman Donahoe stated he was satisfied to go along with the proposed amendment to the Agreement.

Alderman DeWolf stated he had been against this project from the start but he was going to vote for it because it was the only means of getting more housing in the City at the present time and said if 4 industries were coming to the City, housing would be needed for their employees. He further stated he was 100% against subsidized housing.

Alderman Breen said he would have to vote against it as it was not designed in any way to relieve the people residing in the slum areas.

Alderman Lane referred to the Tuft's Cove housing development and stated that it would give some neasure of relief in the City.

She asked if Council were voting so that the City would get \$122.50

per unit per annum and was advised that it was not the case, but
rather the City would get 25% of the rentals collected in lieu of
taxes.

as Alderman Moriarty said his views on housing were the same as Alderman DeWolf, but did say that the Tufts Cove development would make available places for the people in the so-called slums. He said he was under the impression the City would get about \$25,000. On taxes from rents collected and if the tenant did not pay the City would take a loss and was advised in the affirmative.

Alderman Hatfield referred the Alderman to Page 5 of the Agreement Section \*C\* for his information.

His Worship the Mayor asked who would write the Agreement with respect to the Housing Authority to which Alderman Hatfield advised that the Council would write it.

Alderman Moriarty asked if the City would derive a revenue from each unit of approximately \$125.00 and Alderman Hatfield advised him he was correct.

Alderman Donahoe stated that 25% of the rentals would give approximately \$120.00 per unit per year and that the project should be proceeded with.

Alderman Vaughan stated that if the Housing Authority did not do an efficient job Council would replace them.

The motion was then put and passed 8 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

### FOR THE MOTION

#### AGAINST IT

Alderman DeWolf
Donahoe
Duffy
Fox
Hatfield
MacMillan

Alderman Breen Lane

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Moriarty Vaughan

- 2 -

AMENDMENT TO RENTAL BY-LAW AND APPOINTMENT OF MR. FRED G. IBSEN TO RENTAL AUTHORITY

Halifax, N. S., August 15, 1951.

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

At a meeting of the Rentals Control Committee held on the above date, the resignation of Mr. A. P. Kelly as a member of the Rental Authority was considered.

It was agreed to recommend that the resignation of Mr. Kelly be accepted and Mr. Fred G. Ibsen appointed in his stead.

It was also agreed to recommend that Section 7 of the By-Law respecting Housing and Rentals be amended to provide that, where a landlord and tenant have entered into an agreement prior to the 16th day of August 1951, the landlord may have two months from August 16, day of file such agreement with the Rental Authority and in the case of agreements entered into after August 16, 1951 that the landlord be allowed two months to file after execution of the agreement.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover, CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the report be approved. Motion passed.

## AMENDMENT TO BY-LAW

BE IT ENACTED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Halifax as follows:

1. Subsection (1) of Section 7 of the By-Law respecting Housing and Rentals, made by the City Council of the City of Halifax on the 26th day of July, A. D. 1951, pursuant to the provisions of

Chapter 10 of the Acts of Nova Scotia 1951, is repealed and the following substituted therefor:

- 7. (1) Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 6 hereof, a landlord and a tenant may enter into an agreement providing that the rental payable for any housing accommodation shall be greater than that lawfully in effect on the said 30th day of April, 1951. Every such agreement so entered into between a landlord and a tenant shall be filed by the landlord with the Rental Authority,
  - (a) not later than the 16th day of October, 1951, if the same was executed by the parties thereto before the 16th day of August, 1951, and
  - (b) not later than two months after the date of the execution thereof if the same was executed by the parties thereto on or after the 16th day of August, 1951.

Upon the filing of any such agreement within such time stated the provisions of Section 6 hereof shall not apply to the housing accommodation affected by such agreement, during the currency of such agreement. If any such agreement is not so filed within such time stated the maximum rental for such housing accommodation shall continue to be that lawfully in effect for the same on the 30th day of April, 1951, and the said agreement shall not after the expiration of such time stated have any force or effect.

Moved by Alderman DeWolf, seconded by Alderman Hatfield that the amendment to the Rental By-Law as set out above be passed and forwarded to the Minister of Municipal Affairs for approval. Motion passed.

## APPOINTMENT OF ROYAL VISIT COMMITTEE

His Worship the Mayor stated that a Committee of Council should be appointed to work out the details in connection with the program for the Royal Visit. He then called for nominations.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Alderman Lane.

Alderman Breen nominated Alderman Donahoe.

Alderman Vaughan nominated Alderman Fox.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Alderman Moriarty.

Alderman Hatfield nominated Alderman MacMillan.

Alderman Fox nominated Alderman DeWolf.

His Worship the Mayor nominated Alderman Macdonald.

Alderman Vaughan nominated His Worship the Mayor.

It was then agreed that those nominated would comprise the

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Royal Visit Committee with power to add.

POLIO EPIDEMIC

Alderman Vaughan referred to the polic epidemic and stated that several cases were prevalent in the Edgewood District. He said it was felt that seepage from temporary sewer connections while the prefab houses were having their foundations put under, was one cause. He suggested that proper steps be taken to exercise supervision over the contractors doing this work. He suggested that the Commissioner of Health be authorized to spend such amounts or money as he deems necessary and to take such steps as he deems necessary to correct the situation.

The Commissioner of Mealth advised that the Sanitary Engineer and the Prefab Inspector had been sent out to investigate and they reported that there had been some sewer seepage and that the contractors had agreed to use chloride of lime. He outlined the areas of the City where persons had contracted this disease and further advised that the Hospital admitted polio suspects from all over the Province where they are checked and tested.

Alderman Donahoe asked if anything was collected on the Provincial suspects for hospitalization to which Dr. Morton advised that the municipalities concerned were charged and that the City had been collecting such charges.

It was then agreed that Alderman Vaughan's suggestion be approved.

APPROVAL OF BORROWING \$4,000.00 TRAFFEC LIGHTS AGRICOLA AND NORTH STREETS

Hallfax, July 20, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:- Re: Borrowing \$4,000 Traffic Lights Agricola and North Streets

I enclose for your records copy of the above borrowing resolution on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly, W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.

August 16, 1951. UIPMENT WORKS DEPT

# APPROVAL OF BORROWING \$40,000.00 EQUIPMENT WORKS DEPT.

July 20, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir: Re: Borrowing \$40,000. Motor Equipment for Works Department

I enclose for your records copy of the above borrowing resolution on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.

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## APPROVAL BY-LAW GREENWOOD SUBDIVISION

July 19, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir: Re: By-Law respecting Greenwood Subdivision

I enclose for your records one copy of the above by-law on which the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs is indicated.

Yours very truly,

W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.

FILED

# APPROVAL BY-LAW REPLOTTING CONNAUGHT AVENUE

July 20, 1951.

Mr. W. P. Publicover, City Clerk, City Hall, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Mr. Publicover: Re: Replotting Connaught Avenue

I return herewith one copy of your by-law providing for the above which was passed by the City Council on July 12th and approved by the Minister on July 19th as appears by his signature attached.

We understand that the entire property is owned by the City. I am directed to point out that Lot "D" does not now seem to be a very desirable lot and it is assumed that the City will give careful consideration before selling it for building purposes.

Yours very truly, W. E. Moseley, Deputy Minister.