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The motion was then put and passed, 9 voting for the same and 2 against it as follows:

FOR THE MOTION

Alderman DeWolf
Moriarty
Breen
Donovan
Adams
Lloyd
Doyle
Burgess
Sullivan

-9-

AGAINST IT

Alderman Kitz
Walker

-2-

AFRICVILLE SITUATION

Halifax, N. S.,
February 4, 1948.

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

Gentlemen:-

A special committee consisting of Aldermen Sullivan, Burgess and Lloyd appointed in connection with the Africville situation submits the following report:

A Public Hearing was held in the Council Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, February 4, 1948 at which a large representation of residents from Africville and others were present. A free discussion took place; all residents expressed a desire to remain in Africville and pledged their co-operation to any move made by the City to improve conditions there and also agreed to appoint a Committee of not more than five persons to meet with a Committee from the City Council for the purpose of working out a definite program.

It was agreed to make the following recommendations to Council:

1. That a Committee be appointed by Council to carry on further negotiations.
2. That both the Federal and Provincial Governments be requested to appoint representatives to meet with the Committee from Council and residents of Africville.
3. That the Town Planning Engineer and Sanitary Engineer be requested to make a survey of Africville for the purpose of gathering data respecting:
 - A. The number of dwellings and community buildings there.
 - B. The ownership of the land on which the buildings are located.
 - C. The feasibility of extending sanitary facilities to the area.
 - D. The preparation of a plan showing location of buildings, streets, etc.

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Moved by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Lloyd that the report be approved. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor then nominated the following to comprise the Committee: Aldermen Sullivan, Burgess and Lloyd which was agreed to by Council.

REFUND SUPERANNUATION CONTRIBUTIONS LATE R. GRIFFITHS

Halifax, N. S.,
January 13, 1948.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date a request from Mrs. Mary Winnifred Griffiths, widow of the late Richard Griffiths, former Superintendent of the Public Gardens, for consideration under the new Superannuation Plan of the City was considered.

On advice from the City Solicitor that there is no Superannuation scheme in effect that would cover this case, your Committee recommends that the claim of Mrs. Griffiths be not considered and the sum contributed to the new Superannuation Plan by her late husband be refunded to her.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

Moved by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Burgess that the report be approved. Motion passed.

SALE OF HOUSES EDGEWOOD-ARDMORE AREA AND
SALE OF LOTS WARTIME HOUSING PROJECT #13

Alderman DeWolf: "We have conferred with Mr. Brownell and we are going to advise you later as to the outcome".

APPOINTMENT BOARD OF SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS

Alderman Sullivan stated that as a result of being contacted by several citizens he was withdrawing his resignation.

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EXTENSION OF WATER TO AFRICVILLE

Halifax, N. S.,
January 13, 1948.

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

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Finance and Executive Committee held on the above date the attached report from the Public Service Commission respecting the matter of extending the water service to Africville was considered.

Your Committee recommends that the proposal contained in Paragraphs 5 and 6 of this report be approved with the City paying the annual deficit involved.

A formal resolution for authority to borrow the sum of \$20,000.00 required for this purpose is submitted herewith for Council's approval.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Publicover,
CITY CLERK.

January 6, 1948.

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

Dear Sir:-

In accordance with a request of the City Council by resolution dated December 11, 1947 we have made a study of extending the water service to Africville. The matter has been discussed with Fire Chief MacGillivray and Sanitary Engineer Thomas and it is understood that it is essential that fire service be given as well as domestic service. We therefore beg to report as follows:

At the present time there is a 5" pipe line owned by the Canadian National Railways running from the Round House along Barrington Street in the direction of Africville, as far as the Tug Wharf. This line is approximately 4000' long and supplies the Department of Highways Garage, the Irving Oil Company and other customers. The line is an ordinary steel pipe line and therefore its life will be relatively short. It has already been in service a number of years.

From its termination at the Tug Wharf, a 4" line could be installed to Africville, a further distance of about 2300 feet. It would be necessary to construct a special concrete chamber in which to instal a meter to measure the quantity of water used in the Africville district, which would have to be deducted from the C. N. R.'s master meter. The cost of installing this 4" line with a meter, and service to the school with one standpipe service in the community for general use would be from \$16,000.00 to \$18,000.00. On account of the length of the pipe involved, approximately 6500', of which about 4,000 feet of 5" pipe is already installed, it is our opinion that fire protection could not be supplied and therefore no allowance has been made in the estimates for installing hydrants. This line would supply water from the low service system.

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An alternative scheme would be to extend an 8" line north on Gottingen Street from the intersection of Gottingen Street and Hospital Lane (near the Infectious Disease Hospital). This would be on the high service system and on account of the high pressure which would result at Africville, which is practically at sea level, it would be necessary to instal a pressure reducing valve at or near the 100' contour. This scheme would have the advantage of eventually becoming an integral part of the distribution system when the northern slope is developed and the Memorial Driveway is completed. As we have no definite information as to the plans of development in the area, we cannot make a very accurate estimate as to the cost as there are no streets or roads indicated on the existing City Plan.

The scheme would be to carry an 8" line from the present termination on Gottingen Street approximately 1700', and from there instal 375' of 1" or 1½" line to supply domestic service in the village of Africville, with service to the school and a public standpipe service as in the previous scheme. There would also be installed two hydrants which would provide adequate fire protection. As already pointed out, it is difficult to make an exact estimate until further information is available, but this scheme would cost between \$19,000.00 and \$20,000.00.

As there will be very little, if any, revenue to be derived from the project, it is questionable if the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities will permit the Public Service Commission to make this expenditure unless the City is prepared to carry the total cost, which will be in the vicinity of \$1,800.00 per year.

In the long term plan for development of the water system of Halifax it is proposed that a 12" low service line be carried on Barrington Street completely around the north end to tie into a line which must be eventually carried out Dutch Village Road to Fairview thus making a complete loop to provide an adequate service to the whole North End area as it is developed. This would cost in the vicinity of \$150,000.00 but would probably not be completed within ten years. If the scheme as outlined, of extending Gottingen Street north, is carried out, it could eventually be tied in to the proposed 12" circuit and main so that there could be an interconnection at the North end of Gottingen Street between the high and the low service to provide the maximum amount of water for fire service.

Respectfully submitted,

Ira P. Macnab,
GENERAL MANAGER.

W H E R E A S by Section 8, subsection (g) of Chapter 6 of the Acts of 1945, Province of Nova Scotia, The Municipal Affairs Act, it is enacted among other things, in effect, that notwithstanding any of the provisions of any general or special Act of the Legislature of Nova Scotia, the City of Halifax shall have full power and authority to borrow or raise by way of loan from time to time on the credit of the said City such sum or sums of money as the City Council deems necessary for the purpose of constructing

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altering, extending or improving water works or water system for the City, and acquiring or purchasing materials, machinery, implements and plant deemed requisite or advisable therefor, or for maintaining such water works or water system;

AND WHEREAS by said Section 8 of said The Municipal Affairs Act it is enacted among other things, in effect, that no money shall be so borrowed until such proposed borrowing has been approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs;

AND WHEREAS by said The Municipal Affairs Act the said sum shall in the discretion of the City Council be borrowed or raised in one sum at one time or in instalments at different times and the sum required shall be borrowed or raised by the issue and sale of debentures of the City to such an amount as such Council deems necessary to raise such sum;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed necessary by the City Council of the City of Halifax to borrow a sum not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for the purpose of constructing, altering, extending or improving water works or water system for the City, and acquiring or purchasing materials, machinery, implements and plant deemed requisite or advisable therefor, or for maintaining such water works or water system, to wit: the water extension from Gottingen Street to Africville;

AND WHEREAS the said Council deems that the issue and sale of debentures of the City to an amount not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) will be necessary to raise that sum;

AND WHEREAS it is deemed expedient to postpone the issue of such debentures and that such sums not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) be borrowed by the Public Service Commission of Halifax from any bank, fund, person or account available for the purposes aforesaid, the said sums to be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold;

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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that under and by virtue of said The Municipal Affairs Act the said City do, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, borrow or raise by way of loan on the credit of the City the sum of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) for the purposes aforesaid;

THAT under and in accordance with said The Municipal Affairs Act the said sum be borrowed or raised by the issue and sale of debentures of the City to the said amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00);

THAT the issue of said debentures be postponed and that the City do grant its approval to the borrowing by the Public Service Commission of Halifax from the Bank of Montreal of a sum or sums of money not exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00);

THAT the said sum or sums be so borrowed for a period not exceeding nine months, with interest thereon to be paid by the Public Service Commission at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per centum, and that the amount so borrowed be repaid the said Bank of Montreal from the proceeds of said debentures when sold.

Moved by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Walker that the report and resolution as submitted be approved. Motion passed unanimously the following Aldermen being present and voting therefor: Aldermen DeWolf, Moriarty, Breen, Donovan, Adams, Lloyd, Kitz, Doyle, Walker, Burgess and Sullivan.

Moved by Alderman Sullivan, seconded by Alderman Burgess that this meeting do now adjourn. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned.

10.30 P. M.

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