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May 14th

New City Hall.

Afternoon Session.
3¹⁵ P. M.

At a Special Meeting of the City Council held this day Present His Worship the Mayor in the Chair, Aldermen Blundell, Mackintosh, Boak, Keefe, Dennis, Hamilton, Pickering, Buggles, Sweet, Power, Foster, Lyons, McFarbridge, Mosher, and Adams.

The City Council were summoned to appoint the various City Officers for ensuing year, to receive the report from the Mayor on nomination of Standing Committees, matters standing over, and the transaction of other business.

Read Minutes of Meeting held on the 1st instant which were confirmed.

His Worship the Mayor submits letter from Edward Phelan, Secretary Board of Fire Wards covering Annual Reports from the Chairman of the Board the Electrician of Fire Alarm, and the Keeper of Engine Houses for past year.

Also a letter from Edward Phelan Secretary of the Board of Fire Wards covering a recommendation to the Board that the salary of the Electrician be increased.

Also a communication from Alderman Buggles resigning the office of one of Board of School Commissioners.

Also a Petition from John P. Chelwood in reference to recent Election of Alderman Dennis in Ward No Two.

Also a letter from James C. Mackintosh Esq. offering a sum of money from the funds of the Ladies Committee on the Reception of the Halifax Provisional Battalion for the funds to improve the Grand Parade.

Also a letter from Samuel Holmes, New York in reference to sale of Iron Steam Fire Eng for fire purposes at wharves.

Also a letter from Mr H. H. Hisswell covering the Estimate for County-Assessment purposes for current year.

Also Return from City Collector receipts for May 1890.

Alderman Mosher, Chairman of the Board of City Works submits the following Papers:
1 Letter from the American Water Works Association, Chicago
2 Report from Board of City Works on complaint of Merch.

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Letter
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2 Brien of defective sewer West Street, with Engineers report thereon
3 Report from Board of City Works on letter of J. S. Hughes asking water supply Belle Air Terrace, with report of Engineer thereon
4 Report from Board of City Works on letter from James Jamieson asking increase of pay.

5 Report from Board of City Works in reference to giving notice to Leander Electric Co. of termination of contract for electric lighting the city.

6 Report from Board of City Works in reference to Insurance of furniture City Hall.

7 Report from Board of City Works in reference to completion City Hall.

8 Report from Board of City Works on petition for Water Extension South Street

9 Report from C. Elliot, Architect City Hall in reference to completion of Contract.

10 Petition of John Campbell and other residents of Richmond lying above Campbell Road, in reference to new line of Streets

11 The Annual Report from the Governor of City Prisons.
Alderman Foster submits Petition from Silas Bumbley and others in reference to drainage on Agricola Street in Ward No 5.

Alderman Pickering submits a Petition from Alexander Adams in reference to his assessment.

Alderman Mackintosh Chairman submits a report from the Committee on Cabs & Trucks.

His Worship the Mayor submits a report on the New City Hall and its history.

Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman McAtledge that the Order of the Day be suspended to read the papers handed in this day. Passed.

Read Letter from William H. Taswell, County Clerk & Treasurer covering Estimate of amount to be assessed for County purposes for ensuing year.

Halifax April 30th 1892.

To His Worship the Mayor of the City of Halifax.

Sir

I am directed to forward to you a statement of the amount of Assessment for County purposes for the current year 1890, and to notify you of the proportion thereof to be assessed upon the City of Halifax in accordance with the basis last agreed upon 9/11th of the Estimate the balance to be borne by the County and Dartmouth

Letter County Clerk & Treasurer covering County Estimate.

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The amount of the Estimate passed by the County Council, a copy of which is herewith enclosed is \$15,325⁰⁰ Nine Elevenths discarding the fraction is \$12,539⁰⁰ Twelve thousand five hundred and thirty Nine Dollars which sum is payable to the County Treasurer by 1st Octr. as per By Law of this Municipality

I have the honor to be
Your Obedt. Servt.
Wm H. Striwell.
County Clerk & Treasurer.

Estimates to be assessed on the County City and Dartmouth jointly for 1890.

For the jail.	\$2700.00
" " Court House.	2300.00
" " Clerk & Treasurer.	1600.00
" " Clerks & Constables Supreme & County Courts.	800.00
" " Chief County Constable.	300.00
" " Grand Jury & Secretary.	350.00
" " Petit & Special Juries.	900.00
" " Crown Witnesses.	600.00
" " Sheriff's Accounts.	800.00
" " Coroners Juries & Expenses.	700.00
" " Printing & Stationery.	550.00
" " Postage & Expressage.	60.00
" " Auditors of County A/c's.	40.00
" " Wardens & Councillors.	1000.00
" " Interest on Court House.	1125.00
" " Contingent Fund.	300.00
" " Stipendiary Magistrate.	800.00
" " Revising jury Lists.	200.00
" " Election Expenses.	200.00
Total on joint a/c.	\$15,325.00

Assessment for Municipality alone viz:

For Schools \$8350 Insane & Paupers	}	15,915.00
\$5000 Revisors & Assessors \$1000		
Poor's Farm including Debtors		
Instl. & Interest \$1015 Inspector of		
Licenses \$400. Draw Bridges \$70		
Bonnettes \$80.		

Costs of Collection to be added. 800.00

Total amt. \$32,040.00
joint assess. \$15,325 Municipality only \$16,715 32,040.00

Passed January Session.
of County Council 1890.

Wm H. Striwell.
Co. T. Clerk & Treasr. &c. &c.

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read. rel. to
 County Assess-
 ment & appoint-
 as a Committee
 Report Board
 of Works on a
 letter from M.
 O'Brien in re
 defective sewer
 West St.

When the following resolution No
 one is introduced.
 Resolved that the Estimate for the
 County be referred to His Honor the Recorder to advise the Committee
 as to an arbitration with the County this year, if possible and that
 the Committee on Laws & Privileges be a Special Committee on
 Arbitration with the County. Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded
 by Alderman Colbrand and passed.

Read Report from Board of City
 Works on a letter from M. O'Brien complaining of defective Sewer
 on West Street. with the report of City Engineer thereon.

Office Commissioners.
 Board of City Works.
 May 12^E 1890.

The Board of Works beg to report
 that at a meeting held this day they had before them the accom-
 panying letter from Mr. M. O'Brien complaining of sewer on
 West Street together with a report from the City Engineer upon
 the subject when it was decided to refer the matter to the City
 Council with the recommendation that the work be placed upon
 the Order Book to be done in its turn.

Respectfully submitted
 S. Mosher.
 Chairman.

Complaint of Michael O'Brien. Defective drainage West
 Street.

There have been complaints from
 this neighbourhood for several years back. The matter was fully
 investigated and reported upon on the 26^E August 86 and on the
 14^E Sept. 86. Full particulars will be found in my report
 Aug. 26^E to which I would respectfully refer.

The complaint is a just one and
 it ought in my opinion receive attention

It will be seen by the report refer-
 red to that the old stone sewer in Maynard St. is too shallow
 and requires deepening. The estimated cost was \$800 for the new
 sewer work required and \$135 for new catch basins.

Respectfully submitted.
 G. H. Keating.
 3rd May 1890.

The Chairman Board of Works.

On Motion of Alderman Mosher
 seconded by Alderman Lyons the said report is adopted.
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Report Board
of Works in re
water extension
South Street.

Read Report from the Board of City
Works in reference to water extension South Street, with report of City
Engineer thereon.

Office Commissioners.
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The Board of Works beg to report
that at a meeting held this day they had before them the accompany-
ing petition for water extension South Street as also a report from
the City Engineer thereupon when it was decided to forward it to the
City Council with the recommendation that the prayer of the petition
be granted provided the petitioners give satisfactory bonds to pay a
yearly sum sufficient to make up the interest at six per cent upon
the cost of extension.

Respectfully Submitted.

S. Mosher.

Chairman.

On Motion of Alderman Mosher
seconded by Alderman Alderman Pickering the said report is
adopted. Passed.

Read Report from the Board of
City Works on Letter from James Hughes and others asking water
extension Belle Air Terrace with report of City Engineer thereon.

Read Report from the Board of
City Works on Letter from James Jamitt asking an increase of
salary.

Moved by Alderman Mosher sec-
onded by Alderman Sweet that the same be taken up with item
No 7 on "Order of the Day". Motion passed.

Read Report from the Board of City
Works in reference to giving six months Notice to beandler Electric Co.
Ltd. of the termination of Contract on 24^E Nov. 1890.

Report Board
of Works in re
effecting Insur-
ance on Furni-
ture City Hall

Read Report from the Board of City
Works in reference to effecting Insurance on the Furniture City Hall.

Office of Commissioners.
Board of City Works.
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The Board of Works beg to report
that at a meeting held this day the following resolution was adopted
Resolved that this Board recommend to the City Council that Fire
Insurance to the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000⁰⁰) be
placed upon the furniture and fittings of the City Hall.

Respectfully submitted.

S. Mosher. Chairman.

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Moved by Alderman Mosher seconded by Alderman Pickering that said report be received and adopted. Motion passed.

Read Report from Board of City Works on the completion of City Hall by Messrs Rhodes & Curry the Contractors.

Read Letter from Edward Elliot Architect New City Hall in reference to its completion.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Pickering that the above report and letter just read be printed in the minutes. Motion passed.

Read Petition from Residents and Rate Payers for Gate Payers of Agricola Street asking Sewerage Extension.

Moved by Alderman Foster seconded by Alderman Lyons that the Petition be referred to Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read Petition from Alex Adams appealing from an assessment on his stock in store Granville Street.

Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Dennis the same is referred to Committee on Assessment with His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

Read Letter from the Secretary of the Board of Fire Wards covering the Annual Report from the Chairman of the Board, the Electrician, and the Keeper of Engine Houses for past year.

Read Petition from John P. Chetwynd in reference to the Election of Alderman Dennis in Ward No Two.

Moved by Alderman Pickering seconded by Alderman Ruggles that the Petition be referred to the Committee on Laws & Privileges with His Honor the Recorder to report on. Motion passed.

Read Letter from James C. Mackintosh offering a sum of money from the funds of the Ladies Committee on the reception of the Halifax Provisional Battalion to improve Grand Parade.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Sweet that the City Clerk acknowledge the receipt of said letter and the subject matter thereof be referred to Board of City Works to report on. Motion passed.

Read Report from Committee of Hacks and Trucks on the amendment to Hackney Carriage Regulations.

Read Letter from American States Association of Chicago

Handwritten notes in the left margin, including "Board of City Works", "to report", "the accompanying report from", "advised to the", "of the petition", "to pay", "in and for", "Petition Residents", "Rate Payers for", "Agricola St.", "Petition Alex", "Adams in re", "assessment on his", "stock in store", "Granville Street", "Petition John P.", "Chetwynd in re", "in reference to the", "Election of Ald", "Dennis in Ward", "No Two", "Petition James C.", "Mackintosh offering", "a sum of money", "from funds of the", "Ladies Committee", "on the reception", "of the Halifax", "Provisional", "Battalion for im-", "proving Grand", "Parade", "Hacks and Trucks", "Regulations", "Association of Chicago".

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Secretary of Board of Fire Stands in reference to increase of salary to Electrician

Read Letter from Edward Phelan

Board Fire Stands in re increase of salary to Electrician

Moved by Alderman Foster seconded by Alderman Lyons that the Letter be referred to Board of City Stands to report on.

Read Resignation of Alderman Ruggles as a Member of Board of School Commissioners.

Resignations.

Ald Ruggles Hamilton as a Member of Board of School Commissioners & Hamilton as members School Board.

New York in reference to sale of Steam Fire Eng.

Read Resignation of Alderman Hamilton as a Member of Board of School Commissioners

Read Letter from Samuel Holmes

Petition Residents Richmond in re more Street accommodation

Richmond in reference to more direct Street accommodation

Moved by Alderman Sweet that the Petition be referred to Board of City Stands with Engineer to report on.

Read Petition from Residents of Richmond in reference to more direct Street accommodation.

Moved by Alderman Mosher seconded by Alderman Sweet that the Petition be referred to Board of City Stands with Engineer to report on.

Report His Worship the Mayor on the New City Hall and its History

Read Annual Report from the Governor of City Prison for past year.

Read Report from His Worship the Mayor on the New City Hall and its History.

New City Hall ed by Alderman Dennis into history.

Motion passed

Moved by Alderman Mosher seconded by Alderman Dennis that said report be printed in the Annual Reports. Motion passed

Ald. Lyons Notice of reconsideration (on the Second Clause of Ordinance in reference to Civic Officials) of last Meeting is taken up.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton that the same be reconsidered. Motion put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Hamilton that the same be reconsidered. Motion put and passed.

Moved by Alderman Lyons seconded by Alderman Hamilton that said Clause No 2 be passed.

Moved in amendment by Alderman Power that the further consideration of the Second Clause of the Ordinance in reference to Civic Officials be deferred for twelve months. which amendment on being put was lost 7 voting for the same 9 against it. The Motion to adopt the Clause was then put and passed.

Resol. rel. to Ordinance in re Civic Officials.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton that the Ordinance as passed be engrossed and forwarded to His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and Executive Council for their approval. Motion passed.

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Board of Works in re
to Standard Electric Co. in
termination
contract.

Moved by Alderman Bryans second-
ed by Alderman Pickering that the "Order of the Day" be suspen-
ded to take up Report from Board of City Works on the subject
of notice to Standard Electric Company in re termination of
contract. The Report was read.

Office Commissioners.
Board of City Works.
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The Board of Works beg to report
that at a meeting held this day it was decided to recommend
to the City Council that the required six months notice be
sent to the Standard Electric Co. Ltd. that its present contract
for lighting the Streets of the City will be terminated on November
24th 1890. according to the provisions of said contract.

Respectfully Submitted.
S. Mosher.
Chairman.

Moved by Alderman Mosher second-
ed by Alderman Pickering that said report be received and ad-
opted. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster second-
ed by Alderman Pickering that Item No 33 an Order of the Day
be taken up. Motion passed.

vacancies on
Board of School
Commissioners.

The vacancies on Board of School
Commissioners was considered.

Moved by Alderman Mosher second-
ed by Alderman Cuthit that Alderman Sweet be placed on
the vacancy of Alderman Cuthit. Hard Six. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Hamilton
seconded by Alderman Mc Hatridge that Alderman Pickering
fill the vacancy in Ward No Three by the retirement of Alder-
man Hamilton. Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Buggles
seconded by Alderman Sweet that Alderman Paver fill the
vacancy in Ward Four by the retirement of Alderman Buggles.
Motion passed.

Moved by Alderman Foster
seconded by Alderman Bryans that Alderman Boak fill the
vacancy in Ward Five by the retirement of Alderman Foster.

Appointment
various City
Officers.

Council next proceed to appoint
the various City Officers. for ensuing year, as follows.
Henry Freeman. Assistant City Clerk.
William J. Nisbet. Second Assistant City Clerk.
Garrett Cotter. City Marshal.
James Mc Donald. Deputy Marshal.
John B. Sullivan. Assistant Deputy Marshal.
Henry S. Rhind. Clerk of License & Clerk in
Collectors Office.

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William B. McVitt, Clerk of Works.
 William A. Bailey, Asst. Clerk of Works.
 John Mc Donald, Foreman Street Works.
 Ewan Morrison, Foreman of Water Works.
 Thomas Spelman, Caretaker City Property.
 Nicholas Meagher and John C. Burns, Health and
 Water Inspectors.
 Nicholas Power, Detective Officer.
 Thomas Tennaman, City Medical Officer.
 Thos. Rhind, Clerk to Board of Health.

Read Application from the present
 Measurers of Salt & Grain.

Read Return from Supervisor of
 amount of work done and amount received for said service.

On Motion of Alderman Sweet
 seconded by Alderman Blunland, John Adams, Supervisor,
 Ambrose Keating, James Mitchell, Daniel J. Smith, James Mc-
 Daniel, Maurice Mc Donnell, and William Frederick are re-ap-
 pointed Weighers and Measurers of Salt & Grain for ensuing year.

The appointment of Measurers of
 Coal was then taken up.

Read Application with Return
 from Deputy Supervisor.

Moved by Alderman Lyons second-
 ed by Alderman Sweet that the appointment be deferred and taken
 up with item No 16 on "Order of the Day".

Moved in amendment by Alder-
 man Keefe seconded by Alderman Foster that the matter of the
 appointment be dealt with at once, which amendment on being put
 was passed, 8 voting for the same 7 against it and the names
 being called for appeared thus:

For the amendment.	Against it.
Aldermen Mackintosh, Boak,	Aldermen Ruggles, Lyons.
Blunland, Power	Hamilton, Sweet.
Cuttrill, Keefe.	Dennis, Adams.
Mosher, Foster, 8.	Pickering 7

Alderman Hamilton gives notice
 of reconsideration

The following were then appointed
 Measurers of Coal for ensuing year. David Barry, Supervisor.
 Simon Gummings, Thomas D. Shaw, Thos. Isles, B. Mc Gibbon
 Wm B. Cogswell, Robt. Woodill, William Pyke.

On Motion James Britton is re-
 appointed Registrar of Camp Hill Cemetery.

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salary be adopted and the Council proceed to appoint a janitor.
Motion passed.

The Names John Spruhan, J. C.

Mc Donald, Nichl, Delaney, and Bart. Dillon were voted on several
times when John Spruhan was declared Elected by the vote.

For Mc Donald.	Spruhan.	Delaney.
Ald. Sweet. 1	Ald. Pickering.	Ald. Mc Fatridge.
	Adams.	Foster.
	Keefe.	Dennis.
	Outtrit.	Mosher.
	Hamilton.	Byons.
	Boak.	Power. 6
	Bluland.	
	Mackintosh. 9	

Appointment
of Standing
Committees for by His Worship the Mayor were read and confirmed for year 1890-91

The following Committees as named

Commissioners of Point Pleasant Park.
Aldermen Bluland, Hessein. (vacancy), Power, Byons & Adams

Board of Commissioners City Works.
Aldermen Bluland, Keefe, Hamilton, Ruggles, Foster & Outtrit.

Committee Public Accounts.
Aldermen Sweet, Boak, Dennis, Pickering, Foster & Mosher.

Committee on Tenders.
Aldermen Mackintosh, Hessein, Pickering, Power, Foster & Outtrit.

Commissioners Halifax Common.
Aldermen Mackintosh, Dennis, Sweet, Hamilton, Byons & Mosher.

Cemetery
Aldermen Boak, Hessein. (vacancy), Sweet, Mc Fatridge & Adams

Laws & Privileges.
Aldermen Boak, Keefe, Hamilton, Ruggles, Byons, & Outtrit.

On Motion of Alderman Mosher
seconded by Alderman Byons Alderman Mosher is substituted
for Alderman Outtrit on Committee of Laws and Privileges.

Motion passed.
Police.
Aldermen Bluland, Keefe, Pickering, Power, Mc Fatridge & Outtrit

Hacks & Trucks.
Aldermen Mackintosh, Dennis, Hamilton, Ruggles, Mc Fatridge & Adams

City Prison.
Aldermen Bluland, Keefe. (vacancy), Power, Mc Fatridge & Mosher

Moved by Alderman Power seconded
by Alderman Byons that Alderman Sweet be substituted for
Alderman Power on this Committee. Motion passed.

Sanitary.
Aldermen Mackintosh, Dennis, (vacancy), Byons, Ruggles & Mosher

Library.
Aldermen Mackintosh, Dennis, Pickering, Sweet, Foster & Adams

On Motion of Alderman Sweet
seconded by Alderman Mosher. Alderman Power is substituted
for

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Council now proceed to appoint
 Appointment a Board of Fire Wards. When the following resolution was
 of a Board of introduced.
 Fire Wards.

Resolved that the Board of Fire
 Wards as at present constituted be abolished and that the officers
 of the Fire Department be managed by a Committee of Six Alder-
 Resol. rel. to men to be known as a Board of Fire Wards and Fire Commiss-
 Board of Fire ioners. Moved by Alderman Boak seconded by Alderman Lyons
 Wards and which resolution on being put was passed. Alderman Foster
 Fire Commiss-dissenting.
 ioners.

On Motion Jeremiah Barnstead
 is appointed a Sealer of Beath for the City of Halifax

On Motion John E. M. Taylor and
 David Roche are appointed Measurers of Painters Work for ensuing
 year.

On Motion Henry Saunders is
 appointed a Measurer of Marrow Work for ensuing year

On Motion Thomas Robinson
 and John Boosey are reappointed Pond Keepers for the en-
 suing year.

On Motion Thomas E. Keating
 and William M. C. Boak are reappointed Weighers of Hay for
 the ensuing year.

On Motion William Holland
 is re appointed a Measurer of Wood for the ensuing year.

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Office of City Clerk.

Halifax 20th May 1890.

Israel S. Sanford Esq. having
 been duly elected an Alderman for Ward No 3 and having taken
 and subscribed the Oath of Allegiance. Oath of office of Alder-
 man as well as that of Justice of the Peace for the City of
 Halifax, was this day sworn into office by His Worship the
 Mayor.

Thos. Edmund
 City Clerk.