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City of Halifax

Board of Control minutes

Jan. 2 to May 31, 1919

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Administrative History: The Board of Control was established in the 1913 City Charter, taking over as the executive committee of Council, until it was repealed in May 1919. It was composed of the Mayor and four controllers. Controllers were members of Council elected by the whole City for two year terms. The Board could fix regular meeting times or could meet as often as necessary, often three times per week at noon. All meetings of the Board were open to the public, and were chaired by the Mayor.

The impetus to change the structure of municipal government came from the Special Committee on Board of Control, created by Council in 1910, and a special committee on Civic Administration of the Halifax Board of Trade. Pressured by the Board of Trade, City Council held a plebiscite on April 26, 1911, which favoured civic reform. Aldermen resisted the pressure to reform, but the provincial Legislature passed a bill forcing a Board of Control on the City of Halifax in May 1912, although it was not proclaimed until April 1913 (NS Statutes 2Geo.V c.77), and the first city elections under the new system were held on April 30, 1913. Controllers, like aldermen were elected every two years, and, unlike aldermen, received an annual \$1000 stipend, as they were expected to be more involved in the business operations of the City.

The Board had responsibility for the duties that had previously been assigned to the following standing Committees: The Committee of City Works; The Police Committee; The Committee on Cabs; The Committee on Finance; The Committee on City Prison; The Committee on Laws and Privileges; The Committee on Tenders; The Committee on Charities; The Committee of Firewards.

During the Board of Control era of government, City Council's power was greatly reduced, as was its size (2 aldermen per ward). Aldermen met irregularly, when the controllers, who were also voting members of Council, brought forward policy proposals and financial recommendations. Council could only reject a Board of Control recommendation twice with two-thirds majority. This centralized power in the Board of Control and often pitted aldermen against controllers.

Increased city spending brought opposition to the Board of Control system of governance, with several proposals to replace it narrowly defeated in the spring of 1918. Animosity between newly elected mayor A.C. Hawkins and aldermen resulted in 10 of 12 aldermen resigning mid-1918, essentially leaving city governance to the mayor and controllers, until the Nova Scotia Legislature passed a bill in the spring of 1919 to hold a plebiscite on doing away with the Board of Control. The April 30 1919 plebiscite brought a return to the old aldermanic system and municipal elections were held on May 28, 1919 and the alderman sworn in on June 3.

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to

May 31st - 1919.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 2nd, 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.30 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Chebucto Road.
Market Lunch Room Financial Statement.
John Hanrahan Assistant Blacksmith-Superannuation.
Military Fence Cogswell Street.
Salt Water for Extinguishing Fires.

CHEBUCTO ROAD.

Read complaint G.K. Butler as to the condition of Chebucto Road, as follows:-

Halifax, N.S. Jan 2, 1919.

To the Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

Cannot something be done to remedy the scandalous state of Chebucto Road at Armdale Bridge.

It is absolutely impassable during rains by pedestrians unless they are wearing rubber boots.

G.K. Butler.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

MARKET LUNCH ROOM FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Read report St. John Ambulance Brigade re operation of the market lunch room during the month of December as follows:-

Report Market Lunch Room
December 1918.

Dec. 7 -No heat in building could not use room.

Receipts.

Dec. 14	\$3.97	
" 21	6.05	
" 28	1.62	\$11.64

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Receipts forward

\$11.64

Expenses:-

Supplies \$7.57
Gas bill Oct. & Nov. 7.39
Sundry 1.00 15.96
\$ 4.32

Loss December

Clara B. Bligh,
Lady Divisional Supt.

Filed.

JOHN HANRAHAN ASSISTANT BLACKSMITH SUPERANNUATION

Read application John Hanrahan Assistant
Blacksmith at the Work's Department Workshops for
superannuation, as follows:-
December 31st, 1918.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to make application for a super-
annuation owing to ill-health, it being impossible
for me in my present physical condition to continue
my work.

I have been in the City's employ for fifty
years and as I think I have given the best years of
my service to the City, I sincerely trust that you
will favorably consider my application.

Thanking you in anticipation for this favor
and for the fair treatment accorded me while in your
employ, I beg to remain.

John Hanrahan,

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

MILITARY FENCE COGSWELL STREET.

Controller Hines calls attention to the dangerous
condition of a fence surrounding military property on
Cogswell Street. Referred to the City Engineer
for attention.

SALT WATER FOR EXTINGUISHING FIRES.

The City Engineer is requested to report as to
the feasibility and cost of installing four wells

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on Water Street at the foot of the principal hills
for the purpose of utilizing salt water for ex-
tinguishing fires, with recommendations.

Engineer

The Board adjourned.

LIST OF MATTERS.

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Fire Department - 2 - Ross Taylor,
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Cash Statement City Treasurer,
City Police Monthly Report,
City Prison Supplies,
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Electric Wiring Inspector,
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MAYOR - Probable Income,
Fire Department Estimates,
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Report for Board,
City Police Estimates,
Tax - \$1,000,000 Indemnity from Security,
Wallingford Street Electric Light,
Town Planning,
Building Act Violations by Districts, Government,
Provincial Hospital - 188, 189, 190,
Estimates 1918-19,
Carriage Road,
John Macdonald J. R. Carter,
Electrical Workers, etc.,
Garrison Street Engine House,
Accounts.

L. J. M. Mowbray

CITY CLERK.

REPORT OF THE ENGINEER ON THE PROPOSED

John Parks appeared before the Board asking
for the installation of the electric light at the
corner of George Street and Grafton Street,
referred to the City Engineer for report,
The report of the City Engineer is as follows:
The proposed corner of John Macdonald J.
corner of George Street and Grafton Street
is as follows:

Engineer

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 7th, 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.45 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

George Street and Grafton Street Electric Light.
Fire Department - # 4 Hose Waggon.
#65 Bilby Street - Water Supply.
Cash Statement City Treasurer.
City Prison Monthly Report.
City Prison Supplies.
Tuberculosis Hospital - Supervising Architect.
Isolation Hospital Morris Street - Fire Insurance.
Electric Wiring Inspection appropriation.
Garage in Residential District H.F. Burton.
Estimates - Probable Income.
Fire Department Estimates.
Explosion - Accounts of Appraisers of Public School's Losses.
Tenders for Stone.
City Prison Estimates.
War - \$1,000,000.000 Indemnity from Germany.
Wellington Street Electric Light.
Town Planning.
Building Act Violation by Dominion Government.
Influenza Hospital- E.E. Lownds Account.
Estimates 1919-20.
Chebuoto Road.
Junk Licenses J. M. Garsen.
Electrical Workers Pay.
Gerrish Street Engine House.
Accounts.

GEORGE STREET AND GRAFTON STREET ELECTRIC LIGHT.

John Burke appeared before the Board asking for the installation of the electric light at the corner of George Street and Grafton Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT -# 4 HOSE WAGGON.

Read report Chief of Fire Department re accident to #4 Turret Hose Waggon and injury to fireman, as follows:-

Engineer ✓
City Eng
2/1/19

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Halifax, N.S. Jan. 6/19

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

While responding to an alarm of fire on Nov 16th. from Box 212 at 7.30 P.M. for gasoline on fire on the deck of a vessel at the North Atlantic Fisheries' Wharf #4 Hose Waggon driven by Arthur Lynch and manned by Hoseman John Brooks, Raymond Beck and James Sweeney on turning the corner of Sackville St. into Water St. skidded on the slippery pavement and collided with a telephone post on the east side of Water St. between the Brister Property and the entrance to the Plant Wharf causing damage to the waggon to the extent of \$250.00

Hoseman Brooks sustained injuries which necessitated his absence from duty for fourteen days, Driver Lynch sustained injuries which also necessitated his absence from duty for seven days. Hoseman Sweeney was also somewhat shaken up but reported for duty the same night responding to an alarm of fire from Box 45 at 9 o'clock.

I have thoroughly inquired into this accident and am unable to find any particular cause. The driver claims he had his horses well in hand. The condition of the streets on this night were very bad and at this particular point the street is very narrow.

This waggon has been in service for ten years. On an examination of the tires I found them to be considerably worn on the edges which would also add to the waggon skidding more freely. On one occasion some few years ago this wagon met with a similar accident on which occasion a man had his arm broken and #1 Chemical also narrowly averted a similar accident at the same corner.

Herewith I have attached tenders for repairs to this waggon from A.H. Lamphier for \$250.00 and Stroud & Eveleigh for \$300.00 Those being the only tenders received. Those tenders would include painting as well as putting the waggon in first class condition.

I would recommend that this waggon be repaired and as A.H. Lamphier's tender being the lowest be accepted.

J.W. Churchill,
Chief H.F.D.

The recommendation that the tender of A.H. Lamphier for repairs to the waggon be accepted, is approved.

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The Chief is instructed to report with recommendations as to the advisability of procuring spare wheels with spiked tires for the turret hose waggons and other heavy pieces of apparatus for Winter service

Chief Fire Dept

65 BILBY STREET - WATER SUPPLY.

Read complaint Mrs. B. Machan #65 Bilby Street of failure of water supply. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer

CASH STATEMENT CITY TREASURER.

Read cash statement City Treasurer for the month of December. Filed.

Council

CITY PRISON MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report Governor of the City Prison for the month of December, covering list of prisoners committed during the month. Filed.

Council

CITY PRISON SUPPLIES.

Read report Governor of the City Prison re contract for supplying of meat for the prison covering letter from W.A. Maling & Company, as follows:

Halifax, N.S. Jan 7th, 1919.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to report on the meat supply for the City Prison as per attached statement of W.A. Maling & Company.

George Grant.

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Halifax, N.S. Dec, 31, 1918

Gov. Grant,
City Prison.

Dear Sir:-

As our agreement to supply fores beef

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to the City Prison ceases today, we beg to submit our price for the month of January, Fores Beef 17¢ per lb. To be delivered as required.

W.A. MALING & CO,
Per. J.H. Breen.

*Governor
Prison*

The Governor is instructed to prepare and submit specifications for all supplies required for the City Prison between the present date and April 30th, for which tenders should be called.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL -SUPERVISING ARCHITECT.

Read letter H.E. Gates, as follows:-

Jan, 6th, 1919.

The Board of Control,
Halifax.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to offer my services as supervising architect, in connection with the supervision of work on the proposed Tuberculosis Hospital, at the usual fee of Two and One Half per cent (2½%) on the cost of the work.

I am to be relieved from Military Service at the end of this month, but in the meantime, being now stationed in the City, I will be readily available should you wish me to look over the plans now being prepared.

H.E. Gates, Mjg.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller *Finlay* that Mr. Gates' offer be accepted and that he be employed as Supervising Architect for the construction of the building and in the completion of the plans now being prepared at 2½% on the cost of the structure. Motion passed.

*H.E. Gates
all. Altman
C. J. Sullivan
3 copies.*

The Secretary is instructed to notify Mr. Gates to appear before the Board at its meeting on the 9th instant to discuss the details of his employment.

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ISOLATION HOSPITAL - MORRIS STREET - FIRE
INSURANCE.

Read report Clerk of Works re Insurance on
Isolation Hospital, Morris Street, as follows:-

Office of Clerk of Works,
January 7, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I have a letter from the Halifax Relief
Commission Finance Department stating that as the
City had settled for the cost of the Infectious
Diseases Hospital, they make a request that we
take over the insurance now carried by the Commission
from them, as otherwise they would have to pay
a short term rate.

On investigation I find that the policies
are not carried on the building as a whole, but
partially on building, plumbing, etc., and they
expire of five different dates extending from
June 17th, to November 15th, 1919. The rate is
\$1.10. In the event of loss there might be some
difficulty in making a settlement, and a more satis-
factory plan would be to have a general policy
covering everything in the building. If this
could be arranged with the present companies, I
would recommend its being done. Otherwise, I
would advise that the Relief Commission cancel the
present policies, and the City undertake its own
insurance.

A F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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Finance Department-
Halifax, December 19th, 1918

A. F. Messervey, Esq.,
Clerk of Works.

Dear Sir:-

Now that the City have settled with us
for the cost of the Infectious Diseases Hospital,
Morris Street, the insurance, of course, should be
taken over by them. We have, as you know, certain
insurance on same, amounting to -

Buildings	\$14,000.00	
Plumbing, Heat- ing & Wiring	10,900.00	\$24,900.00

It would be a convenience to us, of course if
these Policies were transferred to you, which would
save us being short-rated. We will be pleased to do

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this if it meets with your approval. If you will advise us, we can then arrange to charge you a pro rata rate.

T.B.Glass,
Comptroller.

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List of Insurance Policies Covering Property
Infectious Disease Hospital.

<u>Expire</u>	<u>Rate.</u>	<u>Buildings.:</u>
Nov.15/19	1.10	Policy No1 16330,-Canada Accident Assurance Co. - \$3500.00 G.E.Fraser & Co.
		Policy No. 2001469 - Norwich Union Fire Ins. Soc'y, Ltd.-\$3500.00 G.E.Fraser & Co.
		Policy No. 11197 - British Empire Underwriters, - \$3500.00 G.E.Fraser & Co.
		Policy No/ 422844- British Crown Assurance Corp'n.,-\$3500.00 G.E.Fraser& Co.
		<u>\$14000.00</u>

Plumbing, Heating Wiring & c.,

	<u>Rate.</u>		<u>Expire</u>
Plumbing.	1.32	Policy No.-1559-Home Insurance Co.	Aug/24/19
"	2.20	" " 28122-Aetna Insurance Co.	June 19/19
Elec.Wiring	1.10	" "200316-Imperial Underwriters Corp'n....	Oct.16/19
Plumbing	1.10	" "003254-North British & Mercantile,.....	Oct 17/19
			\$3900.00 A.M.Jack & Son.
			\$4000.00 A.M.Jack & Son.
			\$1000.00 A.M.Jack & Son.
			\$2000.00 A.M.Jack & Son.
			<u>\$10900.00</u>

The Clerk of Works is instructed to notify the Relief Commission that awaiting results ^{of} pending litigation the Insurance on the Isolation Hospital should be looked after by the Relief Commission., the building not yet having been formally taken over by the City of Halifax.

The suggestion in the report of the Clerk of Works that there should be a general policy covering the whole risk instead of policies covering special features, is approved.

Clerk of Works.

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ELECTRIC WIRING INSPECTION APPROPRIATION?

Read report Clark of Works, as follows:-

January 7th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to advise your Board that with the payment of wages due to employees up to last night the appropriation for Electric Wiring Inspection will have only \$17.54 to its credit. Under ordinary conditions the appropriation would meet the full year's expenditure, but since the amount was voted, as a result of the explosion, additional help has been necessary for the large increase in inspection work, as well as clerical assistance in the Electrician's office. Unless some arrangement is made to provide funds, no money is available for payment of wages from this date.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

The report is referred to the City Auditor for a statement of the expenditures already made out of the appropriation and for report as to whether said expenditures have had the regular approval of the Board of Control and the City Council.

GARAGE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT H.F. BURTON:

Read report Assistant City Engineer as follows:-

Jan. 6th, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to submit herewith an application from H.F. Burton asking permission to erect a garage on the south side of Chebuoto Road west of Windsor street.

This location is in the residential district. The applicant advertised in the papers notifying any person objecting to the erection of the building to lodge a copy of such objection with the building inspector. No objections have been received.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Referred to the City Engineer for report showing a more definite location of the proposed building.

*Auditor -
Clerk of Works.*

Engineer

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ESTIMATES- PROBABLE INCOME.

The City Auditor is requested to submit a detailed statement of all items of revenue, under the heading Probable Income, in the City's Estimates.

Auditor ✓

FIRE DEPARTMENT - ESTIMATES.

The Chief of the Fire Department is instructed to submit a report showing the weekly cost of each of the several fire stations.

Chief Fire Dept ✓

EXPLOSION - ACCOUNTS OF APPRAISERS OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS LOSSES.

The City Clerk is instructed to write the Board of School Commissioners requesting them to pay the accounts of H.E. Gates and W.T. Horton who were appointed for the purpose of appraising the damages to Public School Buildings affected by the Explosion.

Secretary School Board ✓

TENDERS FOR STONE.

Read report City Engineer re tenders for Stone, as follows:-

Jan. 4, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on tenders for supply of stone for street and sewer purposes - The tenders received were -

	DLD. AT INCINERATOR ON CARS.	DITTO ON GROUND	DLD. AT OWN CRUSHER	DLD. AT CITY CRUSHER
J.E. Henniger	2 1/2" 1 1/4" 3/4 12¢ 12¢ 12¢	Ser. 2 1/2" 1 1/4" 3/4 12¢ 16, 17, 18 17	11 1/2¢	15¢ 09¢
H. Hertlen		14		
J.M. McGrath & Co	13 14	13	12	
W.E. Rood & Co.	12 1/2 12 1/2 13	13		

The most favourable tender is that of W.E. Rood & Company, 12¢ per bushel delivered at the Crusher

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on Barrington Street. The site will give us a shorter haul than from Mr. Hennigar's crusher at Fairview, and the Rood and Company also offer to provide a bin and storage for about 10,000 bushels to prevent delay in supplying.

Under the circumstances I would recommend that the tender of Rood and Company be accepted for the supply of stone for this year,

The tenders for stone at the City Crusher would make the cost of stone to the City higher than Rood's tender. The same thing applies to the tender of Mr. Hennigar for stone delivered on cars at the Incinerator lot. The cost of unloading compared with the cost of taking stone from the bin would be considerably in favour of Messrs. Rood & Co.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Deferred until the next meeting of the Board.

CITY PRISON - ESTIMATES.

Read letter Governor of City Prison, as follows:-

January 7th, 1919.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to state that in submitting the City Prison Estimates, I included the rate of pay asked for by the Prison staff, which is an error in judgement on my part., and for which I would respectfully ask His Worship the Mayor and Members of the Board of Control to accept an apology.

George Grant,
Governor of City Prison.

Filed.

WAR - \$ 1,000,000,000 INDEMNITY FROM GERMANY.

Read resolution passed by the City Council,
Calgary, as follows:-

Resolution passed by the Council of the City of
Calgary, December 16th, 1918.

WHEREAS the Dominion of Canada has spent over One Billion Dollars, (\$1,000,000,000.00) and supplied half a million men for the prosecution of the great World War,

AND WHEREAS in the opinion of this Council, the

January 7th, 1919.

Dominion should be recouped to the extent of the sum of One Billion Dollars, (\$1,000,000,000.00) at least.

THEREFORE be it resolved that this Council place itself on record that Canada should receive at least One Billion Dollars (\$1,000,000,000.00) war indemnity. Canada has spent that amount and has supplied half a million men in a war made necessary by the German dream of world-domination. Canada is a country larger, much larger, than all of Europe with a population of less than 8,000,000. This country has great undeveloped areas and billions of dollars of natural resources still scarcely touched. These resources are principally in the West. At least one-half of the indemnity money should go to western Canada to be applied to the development of the country so that preparation may be made for the population which should, in the near future be attracted to this last great West.

Such a course should advance this country 25 or 30 years, and would aid materially in solving the returned soldier problem, which undoubtedly will be the gravest question which this, in common with all other countries, will have to bear.

According to Colonel MacLean, writing in MacLeans magazine recently, Germany is well able to pay the cost of the war, and she shows in detail the vast resources which that country could devote to paying this debt if her energies were directed in this direction instead of on the direction of military conquest.

Some people believe that Germany has so mortgaged her future in order to carry on the war that she will be unable to undertake the additional burden of war-indemnities, but it must be remembered that probably 90% of her war debt is owing to her own people, who joyfully furnished the Kaiser with funds for the purpose of destroying the world, and who expected to get back their money a thousand fold.

According to August Thyssen, a German millionaire, in an article written some weeks ago, when it was understood that the game was lost, the Germans were to profit largely by the conquest of the world.

He tells how the Kaiser divided up the world with his backers. He, Thyssen, was to receive 30,000 acres of land in Australia and \$50,000,000. To others, he gave millions of acres of land in Canada, India and British Africa.

From Bertha Krupp to the lowest peasant, they backed their rules in what they knew was a crime against man and God; for 40 years they have been drinking to the day they would divide the earth among themselves.

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They played for big stakes and they lost; why not let them settle?

We do not propose to do unto them as they would have done unto us, but let us treat them as we would treat any other criminals caught in the act. The divine law established by the Creator insists on punishment, when broken; there is no sympathy wasted on the criminal, neither his mental nor moral condition is taken into consideration, and there is no appeal unless it is to that Higher Court before which we shall all stand one day.

In all civilized countries, the law against destruction of property insists on restitution, and punishment in addition. As Nations are made up of individuals, why not deal with them as individuals, Punish the principal perpetrators with death or imprisonment, and the lesser criminals by insisting upon restitution in full.

Germany is a rich nation, potentially today. Practically all of her liabilities are owing to her own people. The balance of the cost of the war has been paid for out of wealth stolen from the countries which she has ravaged. Her country has not been ravaged as other countries have, and she will be able to begin immediately creating wealth when the war is over. She should be made to pay.

The Calgary City Council should pass a resolution to this effect, and forward a copy through our local members to Premier Borden, and also copies should be forwarded to the City Council of every other City in Canada, so that this matter may have the strongest endorsement possible.

His Worship the Mayor is requested to draft a resolution to be submitted to Premier Borden approving of the demand on Germany for an indemnity to the Dominion of Canada of not less than \$1,000,000,000

WELLINGTON STREET ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Read complaint A.P. Hill that the electric light on Wellington Street has not been lighted. Referred to the City Electrician for attention.

TOWN PLANNING.

Rear report City Soliditor re the liability of the City of Halifax under the Town Planning Act, as follows:-

January 7th, 1919.

Halifax, Jan. 3, 1919.

Secretary Board of Control.

Dear Sir:-

It is difficult to reply to the enquiry of the Board as to the liabilities which may be incurred by the City under the Town Planning Act with any definiteness, as the Act is, probably necessarily drawn in very general terms. Whatever expenses, however, are incurred will ultimately have to be borne by the City.

Speaking generally, however, there are two classes of liabilities, those preparatory to the preparation of a scheme or bylaws, and those which may arise subsequent to it. Those preparatory are such as are incidental to the preparation of a scheme and could include any charge for preparing a scheme or by-laws or a plan, and advertising the requisite notices and similar charges. These are by Section 10 of the Act limited in respect to bylaws to 1/50 of 1 per cent of the assessed value of the City and in respect to preparing a scheme to 1/20 of 1%. The liabilities which may arise subsequent to the scheme are very difficult to specify in advance, as the Local Board is invested with very large powers. It may acquire property by purchase or by expropriation; it can lay out new streets or close old ones; it can lay down building lines; it can destroy any property which it deems to contravene the-by-laws of the scheme, and can do other things of a similar character, and, as can be easily seen, the exercise of these powers may easily involve heavy liabilities. A safeguard on the City is to a certain extent provided by subsection 3 of Section 9 which provides that no assessment upon any city shall be authorized by any bylaws or scheme without the consent of the city council, nor shall the Local Board have any power to borrow money in any way without the approval of the city council. It is questionable, however, if this safeguard would be very effectual. Possibly the Local Board might be prevented from deliberately incurring any expenditure without having first obtained the authority required in respect to finances; but it might easily be involved in expenditures without deliberate intention, as for instance the Act provides that any person whose property is injuriously effected by carrying out the scheme is entitled to compensation, and if a claim of that description were established against the Local Board I do not see any other source from which funds could be established against the Local Board I do not see any other source from which funds could be obtained to meet it than from the city.

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I am aware that this statement is not very definite; but it is as full as I can make it in the absence of having any specific point submitted to me.

F.H.Bell,
City Solicitor.

Filed.

BUILDING ACT VIOLATION BY DOMINION GOVERNMENT.

Read letter Hon. F.B.Carvell, Minister of Public Works, re violation of the Building Act in Halifax, by the Dominion Government, as follows:-

Office of Minister of Public Works,
OTTAWA, 2d January 1919.

F.H.Bell, Esq.,
City Solicitor,
Dear Sir:-

On my arrival at the office this morning, your letter of the 24th ultimo was placed in my hands, re the erection of a garage by this Department in your city. As I understand it, this small building is to be erected on the Citadel, away from any other buildings, and I cannot see how it violates your city ordinances any more than the erection of the military huts did a year ago.

I have taken the matter up with the Militia Department and them seem anxious to have the matter go through and, under the circumstances, I hardly see how I would be justified in holding up what the Militia people consider to be necessary accommodation.

F.B.Carvell.

Referred to the City Solicitor and the City Engineer for reply with a further protest against violation of the City's laws and ordinances in relation to buildings.

INFLUENZA HOSPITAL - E.B.LOWNDS ACCOUNT.

Read letter E.B.Lownds, as follows:-
Halifax, Jan, 6/19

His Worship the Major Hawkins
and the Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

Some two months ago I sent a bill for work performed at the Influenza Hospital, on Almon

Handwritten note: Read ✓

Handwritten note: Solicitor
Engineer

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St. to the City Board of Health. I understand the bill has been passed by the Board of Health and also by the Board of Control and I fail to understand why I have not been paid. Trusting that you Gentlemen will take the matter up at once, and see that I get my money without any further delay.

E.B. Lownds,
Contractor.

Health Board ✓

The Secretary is instructed to forward copy of the letter together with a copy of the bill referred to therein to the City Health Board.

At the request of His Worship the Mayor the following paragraph in the report of the City Auditor, dated November 25th, 1918 and submitted at a meeting of this Board held November 26th 1918 is read, viz-

" This Bill is payable on Health Board account as appears under Acta 1908, Chap 75, Sec 791 and calls for the expenditure of the sum of 3846.83 as passed by the Health Board, to which later was added..... 82.50 and passed by the Board of Control

3929.33

but in both Boards it met opposition as is shown by the Minutes."

His Worship stated that he desired to have it recorded on the Minutes of the Board that he takes exception to the Auditor's statement or inference to be drawn from it, that the Board of Control added \$82.50 to the Lownds' Account after it had been passed by the Board of Health.

His Worship stated that the Auditor had admitted that he did not intend to intimate that the Board of Control had raised the bill after it had been passed by the Health Board; he had stated that the report ~~had~~ was made up at the instance of his,

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(the Auditor's) Solicitor, ^{but} he refused to make any written explanation to the Board.

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Read report City Auditor, as follows:-

Halifax, January 3rd, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

In re resolution to furnish Board with detailed statement of all accounts as far as expenditure has been made, up to December 31st, 1918, in order to facilitate handling the Estimates, I wish to say that this is more of a contract than I could possibly undertake, considering the fact that I have about three and a half million of business to pass through my hands yearly, most of which is in detail, and every item has to be scrutinized. I think you can readily see that my duties as Auditor are no sinecure.

However, if you think it imperative, furnish me with a competent staff and funds to pay their services and I will supervise the work.

I may say that a former Council, seeing the amount of work I had to attend to, furnished me with an efficient assistant, which assistant, has of late been entirely removed from my office and only infrequently is able to do anything at all to help me.

W.W. Foster,
CITY AUDITOR.

Deferred.

CHEBUCTO ROAD.

Read complaint from W.D. Piercey as to the condition of Chebucto Road. Referred to the City Engineer.

Engineer

JUNK LICENSE - J. M. GARSON.

Read recommendations from McInnes, Jenks and Lovett and from the Hon. Minister of Public Works on behalf of J.M. Garson an applicant for a junk License. Referred to Controller Hines and the Chief of Police for report.

*Controller
Hines
Chief of Police*

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ELECTRICAL WORKERS PAY.

Read letter Electrical Workers Union, as follows:-

14 Belle Aire Terrace,
Halifax, Dec, 31, 1918

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of report re wages rate for Mr. Chas. Wilson of the City Electricians Dept. which I received today from the City Engineer's office.

Please accept my sincere thanks on behalf of the organization for your kind consideration of same.

H. A. Grey,
Secretary.

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GERRISH STREET ENGINE HOUSE.

Controller Hines recommends that the Board decide as to what should be done with the Gerrish Street Engine House, whether it should be repaired or sold.

Referred to the Clerk of Works for report as to its condition and as to the rental now being received for it.

Clerk of Works

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts chargeable to various services are passed for payment, as follows:-

City Prison.

J. J. Scriven & Sons.	Bread	\$142.00
R. N. McDonald	Groceries	284.69
W. A. Maling & Co.	Beef	180.14
Frank W. Fraser	Feed	69.00
J. & M. Murphy Ltd.	Dry-goods	347.71
Neil Fox	Harness Supl.	5.60
Longard Bros.	Stoves & etc.	163.05
Stairs Son & Morrow	Mollasses gate	1.50

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N. Scotia Tramway's Co.	Current	1.98
Mar. Tel & Tel. Co.	Rental	4.75
Hillis & Sons,	Stove Fittings	28.03
Lawrence Hardware Co.	Hardware	108.40
Stroud & Evalaigh	Rep. to wagon	5.00
A.L. Melvin & Co	Hardware	10.40
Irwin & Sons	Drugs	5.00
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		\$1357.25

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Citizens Free Library.

T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	.85
A.L.A. Pub. Board	Publishing	1.50
Chronicle Publ Co.	Subscription	6.00
A. & W. MacKinlay	Books	8.05
H.H. Marshall Ltd.		3.50
Mutual Sub. Agency	Subscriptions	156.65
National Geo. Society	"	3.00
Ross Print	Printing	2.00
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		\$ 181.55

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City Health Board.

J & Murphy Ltd.	Linen	70.95
Robinsons Ltd.	Hire	23.30
John Starr & Co.	Wiring	6.30
Halifax Herald	Advertising	3.15
A. Wilson & Son	Fish	13.00
Western Union	Telegrams	2.66
Cahill & Co.	Groceries	441.72
A.A. Thompson	Drugs	20.80
J.A. Leaman & Co.	Meats	270.47
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		\$ 852.35

The Board adjourned.

Council

Mayor A. Hawkins,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.
Dear Mr. Mayor,

Just before I was taken ill I understood work would soon be begun on the new Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Halifax, the plans for which I had looked over with Mr. Smith, and suggested a number of changes. I have now had the opportunity to study the plans more fully and I have some further suggestions to make.

L. Fred Monaghan

A. C. Hawkins,

L. Fred Monaghan.

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 9th, 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.20 o'clock,; present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Tuberculosis Hospital Plans.
City Home Laundry.
War - Reconstruction Problems.
Streets and Street Lighting - Mayor's Message.
Policemen.
Water Bill # 42 Summer Street- G.A.Wooten.
City Fuel Yard.
Junk License - J.M.Garson.
Motor Hack License.
Coal for Juvenile Court.
Market Building Fire Insurance.
Garage in Residential District- Chebucto Road.
Tenders for Stone.
Union Protection Company.
Water Bill- #1013 Agricola Street - Mrs. Isabel Marshall.
City Home Monthly Report.
Accounts.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL PLANS.

Read letter Dr. G.F.Miller, Medical Superintendent, Kentville, Sanitorium, as follows:-

The Nova Scotia Sanatorium,
Kentville, N.S. January 6, 1919

Mayor A. Hawkins,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.
Dear Mr. Mayor.

Just before I was taken ill I understood work would soon be begun on the New Tuberculosis Sanatorium in Halifax, the plans for which I had looked over with Dr. Hattie, and suggested a number of changes. At that time, it was expected the plans would be submitted to me again. I have been ill for a couple of weeks and am still confined to bed and do not expect to be out for a couple of weeks ~~/bt/ /bt/ /bt/~~ yet, but want to call this to your attention. I think the building in the original plan was too long, and this should be given consideration before the work goes on.

G.F.Miller,
J.

In response to request of the Board, H.E.Gates

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Architect was in attendance at the meeting.

A copy of Dr. Miller's letter is ordered to be forwarded to Major Gates.

Major Gates informs the Board that his price of 2 1/2% covers all his charges, for supervising the completion of the plans, advising the Board of Control and other bodies interested in the work and superintending the erection of the building.

Major Gates is requested to report to this Board the approximate cost of the building before tenders are advertised for, and promises to do so.

CITY HOME LAUNDRY.

The Superintendent of the City Home appears before the Board asking for instructions as to the duration of contract proposed to be let with the Tramway Company for supplying electric current to operate the laundry machinery at the institution.

It is decided to let the contract for a period of five years in order to secure the 5 % discount.

Controller Finlay dissents, on the ground that the contract should be let for one year only.

WAR - RECONSTRUCTION PROBLEMS.

Read letter Canadian Reconstruction Association, as follows:-

TORONTO, Ont, January 4/19

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

With the cessation of hostilities, Canada is facing critical reconstruction problems. Between 300,000 and 350,000 soldiers have to be re-established in civil life. As many munition workers must be provided with other employment. Altogether between

Major + C
Gates ✓
Council
Ald. Whitman ✓
Solicitor 3 ✓

Jos. Bryson ✓
Lester Swan ✓
Council

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1,200,000 and 1,500,000 persons out of a total population of 3,000,000, will be affected vitally by readjustment to peace conditions. It is imperative that employment should be provided that the labour market should not be congested that war veterans and war workers should find steady employment, and that fair wages should be maintained. The Dominion is undertaking extensive public improvements. The railway companies are preparing programmes which will involve an expenditure of millions of dollars. But there is a direct responsibility upon each municipality for the welfare of its men who have given vital services overseas and in particular war occupations. Failure to provide employment will not disorganize the labor market, lower municipal revenues, produce industrial and commercial depression and affect national prosperity. Municipalities throughout Canada have made great war sacrifices. If there is failure to meet the difficulties of the reconstruction period much of the value of these sacrifices will be lost, while if the country can be carried safely through the next twelve months it will likely enter upon a long period of expansion and prosperity. A maximum of municipal activity will facilitate readjustment. Without it, conditions will be difficult and may be critical. The Minister of Finance has removed restrictions upon municipal borrowings and steps may now be taken freely for financing public works.

The Canadian Reconstructions Association respectfully appeals to all Canadian municipalities to provide for local improvements by the resumption of public works. It is suggested that a survey be made in each municipality, in co-operation with local business men, of projected building operations which have been delayed by the war, and of other necessary construction work which can be started without delay. A well considered programme could then be prepared in each municipality and put into effect. It may be that in many cases municipal construction plans will not have to be carried out in full, but the fact of having adequate works under way will serve as a valuable measure of insurance against possible unemployment or a serious collapse in wages.

J. S. Willison,
President.

The City Clerk is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the communication and to inform the Canadian Reconstruction Association that the various problems referred to in their letter are at the present time receiving the serious consideration of the City of Halifax.

J. S. Willison

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STREETS AND STREET LIGHTING -MAYOR'S MESSAGE.

Read message from His Worship the Mayor, as follows:-

Halifax, January 8th, 1919.

To
The Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

There are several phases in civic management which will require the immediate attention of this Board/ First, the streets. During the past season it was not possible to do any general repair work on the streets on account of the difficulty in getting material and the condition of the labor market. Under these circumstances the streets to-day are much worse than they would otherwise be: but considering the conditions that exist, it must have occurred to you that any work that may have been done on the streets is so much money wasted. With the heavy motor trucks that are used generally and particularly by the Military Authorities, the Canadian Government Railways and the Halifax Relief Commission, our so-called Macadam streets have been cut up so that in some places they are almost impassable. Even streets that were repaired during the past season are in as bad a state as some that were never touched. The whole question of street work will have to be gone into thoroughly.

With the small appropriation that is available each year for street work, under the present conditions, it is utterly impossible to keep our streets in any state of repair. Not only is it impossible to keep them in repair, but it is impossible to keep them clean. Sweeping and scraping mud streets will not keep down the dust satisfactorily, and it means a large expenditure to attempt to do the work any way effectively.

Under the circumstances, the only solution that I can see is to undertake a large amount of permanent pavement and this cannot be done out of our street appropriation. It means the borrowing of a considerable sum of money.

I have instructed our Engineering Department to prepare a comprehensive scheme along these lines and if this is done, it is my intention that the paying by the abutting owners of their proportion be extended over at least the life of the permanent work, or the period of the bonds on which the money was borrowed. In other places this is done. The owners are not expected to pay for permanent work, the benefits of which will accrue to posterity. Under the proposed scheme the annual cost to the property owners will be so small and I feel quite

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sure that they will clamor for the work to be done as it means not only clean streets but in the case of shop-owners, it means a large saving in their goods from deterioration from dust and dirt that are carried into the buildings from dirty muddy streets; and it must be known that paved streets increase the value of abutting real estate very appreciably: also, it means a healthier city, as it will be possible with our modern appliances to keep the streets thoroughly clean at small cost, for, with the new Elgin Motor Street Cleaner that is ordered, I am instructed, fifty or sixty miles of paved streets can be sprinkled and cleansed in a day.

The City of Halifax bonds are for thirty-five years generally for permanent work. In putting down pavement, under contract, such as the pavement we have already put down, there is a ten year guarantee in which the City is not required to spend a cent on up-keep. After that, there is repair and replacement work to be done, but the money saved during the ten years of guarantee, with a very small additional appropriation, will pay for repairs and replacements for at least the term of the bonds issued; so that in spreading the cost to the abutters over the period of the life of the bonds, our action would be quite legitimate and good business. More than that, it is the system adopted in other cities which have a large mileage of paved streets.

Last year the City was in ~~see~~ rather a unique position. It was not possible to spend on the streets the full amount of the street appropriation on account of the impossibility of getting material and labor. Late in the season the Engineering Department undertook and carried through the paving of two blocks of Cornwallis Street and two blocks of Jacob Street, with granite blocks; also Duke Street to Brunswick Street, with tar Macadam. It has always been a problem to keep these steep hilly streets running east and west in good condition. After heavy rain storms, a large amount of material is washed out and lodged on the streets running north and south and has to be carted away, and the streets repaired at considerable cost. After the work above mentioned was done, we had a severe storm, and any citizen could appreciate the difference between our newly paved streets and the condition of Hurd Street, where tons of mud had been washed down and had to be carted back. In any scheme of street paving undertaken, these hills will have to be paved.

Last year the Engineering Department under instructions from the Board of Control, went to a lot of expense to prepare plans and specifications and called for tenders for the paving of Argyle, Blowers and Grafton Streets. This work, as is known was defeated in the City Council. The urgency of the paving of Argyle Street was so impressed upon me that, under instructions from the Board of Control

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We have acquired the material to do the work by the Engineering Department next season, as early as possible.

The whole question under consideration "Street Paving" should be dealt with now, and we should have our plans thoroughly matured, so that contracts can be given as early in the season as possible, as soon as the frost is out of the ground. With this in mind, I am actuated in preparing the present statement.

The second phase is the lighting of streets. For reasons well known to the general public, the City did not renew its contract some years ago with the Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Company, and the Tram Company have not made any improvements in the lighting system of the City. The system used is obsolete, and more than that, on account of war conditions, was allowed to run down, and today, since the signing of the Armistice, and the removal of war restrictions, our streets, as regards lighting have been in a deplorable state.

In my opinion the only solution of this question is for the City to put in their own plant, a modern up-to-date plant. As you are aware, the Engineering Department and the City Electrician are preparing plans along these lines, and I hope to be able to submit to this Board in a few days, a contract whereby the City will own and manage its own lighting plant - a plant that will be up-to-date and modern in every respect.

At the present time, at the incinerator, we have the site and the nucleus of a plant. There is a 250 h.p. boiler and a smoke stack, and buildings which could be enlarged. This could be utilized, I am told, and lessened the initial outlay by some thousands of dollars. Today this power is and for some years has been going to waste. It is my intention in the future to take up some other phases of the civic management and lay them before this Board.

A.C. Hawkins,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.

Consideration of His Worship's Message is deferred pending receipt of reports from the City Engineer on the matters referred to therein.

POLICEMEN.

Read applications for the positions of policemen from, Bernard McDonald, John W. Sutherland and Daniel A. Gillis.

Engineer
Council

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On recommendation of the Chief of Police, Daniel A Gillis is appointed a Policeman on six months probation.

Chief of Police

WATER BILL # 42 SUMMER STREET-G.A.WOOTEN.

George A. Wooten appeared before the Board asking ~~that~~ that the water meter at his property #42 Summer Street which is now located at the street line, in front of his premises be placed inside the building.

Engineer

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CITY FUEL YARD.

Read letter Canadian National Railways, as follows:

Halifax, N.S. January 6, 1919.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS,
City of Halifax,
City.
Gentlemen:-

Chief of Works

With reference to letter of Controller Murphy under date of August 8th, regarding demurrage of \$408.00 due by the City of Halifax on shipments of coal to the City Fuel Yard.

I have been instructed to accept your proposition of payment of 50 per cent., of the amount outstanding and I would be glad if you would arrange to let me have your cheque for \$204.00 as early as possible.

H. C. Bigelow,
FREIGHT AGENT.

The amount is passed for payment at \$204.00

JUNK LICENSE - J. M. GARSON.

Read application Jacob M. Garson for a Junk Dealers License.

*Engineer
and City Clerk*

It is decided to grant Mr. Garson the license subject to the location for ~~the~~ his business being satisfactory to the City Engineer.

MOTOR HACK LICENSE.

Read application Frank H. Lamphier for a Motor

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Chief of Police
and City Clerk.

Hack license.

The license is granted subject to the approval of the Chief of Police.

COAL FOR JUVENILE COURT.

Read report Clerk of Works, as follows:-

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His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

Your Board passed a bill on Dec. 31st, last of H.D. MacKenzie Co. Ltd., for \$54.00 in payment of hard coal supplied to the Juvenile Court. There is no regular fund from which this can be paid and I would ask your direction, as to how it shall be paid.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor for report.

MARKET BUILDING - FIRE INSURANCE.

Read report Clerk of Works covering letters

Rainnie & Keator, as follows:-

Jan. 9, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I am in receipt of the two enclosures in reference to insurance of Market building and forward the same for your information and direction.

In the event of loss by fire, unless the extra rate mentioned in their letter is authorized we could not recover any insurance.

Nor having a copy of the agreement with the Halifax Shipyards, Ltd., I do not know whether this charge is payable by them or not.

There is no money available in our Insurance account to pay this extra premium, but possibly the market revenue account could be drawn upon, if we cannot charge it against the Shipyards.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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A.F.Messervey, Esq.,
Public Works Department,
City.

Dear Sir:-

We hereby acknowledge receipt of notice that this building is being in part occupied by the Halifax Shipyards Limited as a molding loft, and we accept said notice, but it will be necessary to charge an extra premium on this particular item of your policy in view of the increased hazard by this additional occupancy.

As you are aware the Halifax Shipyards Ltd. had installed six stoves with a long range of stove pipe, and have also introduced a band saw and boring machine, all of which increases the possibility of a fire. The additional charge we will have to make for these features is 15¢ a month on the amount of insurance carried on the market building, viz, \$10,000. You will therefore have to pay \$15 each month for a period of say five months \$75. This is a very slight charge, and we are glad to be able to grant the privilege asked for.

Rainnie & Keator Limited
J.Gillis Keator,
Director.

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Halifax, N.S. Jan 8/19

A.F.Messervey, Esq.,
Public Works Department.
C i t y.

Dear Sir:-

Looking over your schedule of Insurance on the City property, we note that you have only \$10,000 on the City market. This, to our minds, is a very small amount to carry on such a valuable building, as we do not think it would even pay for the roof if it were destroyed by fire, much less the windows and other parts susceptible to damage. We would ~~suggest~~ as your insurance brokers and advisors suggest your placing at least \$10,000 additional, and we trust that you will not think we are taking any liberty in suggesting this.

Rainnie & Keator Ltd,
J.Gillis Keator,
Director.

The Clerk of Works is instructed to pay the extra premium occasioned by the increased hazard through the occupancy of the building by the Halifax Shipyards Limited and to forward the account for same to the Halifax Shipyards for payment of the additional

*Clerk of Works.
Engineer.
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insurance to cover the period to May 1st, 1919.

The recommendation of Rainnie & Keator that the amount of insurance on the Market building be increased is referred to the City Engineer for report, together with recommendation as to increasing the amount of insurance carried on other City properties.

GARAGE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT- CHEBUCTO ROAD.

In connection with the application of H.F. Burton for permission to erect a garage on Chebucto Road, the City Clerk informs the Board he had been advised by the Assistant City Engineer that the premises upon which Mr. Burton proposed to build his garage is the first lot West of Windsor Street on the South side of Chebucto Road.

The City Engineer is authorized to grant the permission applied for by Mr. Burton. Controller Finlay dissents.

TENDERS FOR STONE.

The report of the City Engineer submitted at Meeting January 7th instant, re tenders for stone is again read and is approved.

UNION PROTECTION COMPANY.

Read letter Nova Scotia Board of Fire Underwriters, as follows:-

Halifax, January 7th, 1919.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.
City.

Dear Sir:-

According to an item in the daily newspapers the Union Protection Company has notified the City, that, after May 1st. next this organization as a

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Salvage Corps will cease to exist.

I will be obliged if you will kindly let me know if this organization has given the City Notice to this effect, and if so, what steps are being taken to what is proposed being done to provide a Salvage Corps, after May 1st, next?

Awaiting the favor of your kind reply and thanking you in anticipation,

I remain,

Edward J. Fahie,
Secretary.

The City Clerk is instructed to inform the Board of Fire Underwriters that the City has been notified by the Union Protection Company that they will cease to exist as a salvage corps after May 1st, 1919 and that this Board and the Chief of the Fire Department have the matter under consideration.

E. J. Fahie
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WATER BILL ~~#1013~~ AGRICOLA STREET - MRS.
ISABEL MARSHALL.

Engineer
* 101-3

Read water bill Mrs. Isabel Marshall, ~~#1013~~ Agricola Street claimed to be excessive. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CITY HOME MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report City Home for the months of December as follows:-

Halifax, N.S. January 9th, 19

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

I beg to submit the following report of Charities Department for the months of December 1918.

The Superintendent's report shows that during the month there were 33 persons admitted into the City Home, 2 born, 27 discharged, and 4 died. Of the number admitted 5 were chargeable to the Province and 28 to the City.

The total number of inmates December 31st was 282, made up of 156 men, 119 women, and 7 children. On the same date last year there were 166 men 125 women and 9 children, a total of 300.

There were 3 patients admitted into the Nova Scotia Hospital during the month whose maintenance is chargeable to the City, 3 patients so chargeable were discharged, and 3 patients were transferred to the City Home.

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Supl City Home
Council

The existing contract for groceries will expire on the 31st. January 1919. It will be necessary to call for tenders for same.

J.J. Hines,
Controller.

The Superintendent of the City Home is instructed to advertise for tenders for groceries as recommended.

ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts chargeable to various services are passed for payment.

Controller Finlay dissents from the motion to pay the Police Account and the Workd Department Accounts.

(Note:- The following named accounts are referred to the Superintendent of the City Home for report-

Geo. E. Boak & Son- Coal	\$95.00
Buckley Coal Co, mpany	650.07
S. Cunard & Co.	53.25)

POLICE DEPARTMENT.

George Hay	2 Uniform Coats	100.00
Gates & McDowell	Taxi Service	1.00
Maxwell's Limited	Tailoring & Repairs	191.52
Robert Taylor Co.	Boots	
George Foley	Meals	15.40
Can. Consolidated Rubber Co.	Raincoats & Hats	17.90
Office Specialty Co.	Guide Cards	11.00
Halifax Vulcanizing Co.	Chains	6.00
The Piercey Supply Co.	Timber	27.68
Clayton & Sons	Uniform Ulsters	1372.50
W.T. Francis FurnCo.	Chairs	24.50
F.W. Fraser	Feed	27.45
A.W. MacKinlay Ltd.	Stationary	3.40
City Taxi Service	Taxi Service	5.00
Dr. H. McFatriidge	Vet. Services	3.25
Nova Motor Co. Ltd.	Motor Supplies	4.90
City Taxi Service	Taxi Service	1.50
Wm. S. Munnis	Uniform	42.00
Mar. Tel & Tel. Co.	Telephones	
	Charles Colyer Asst. Detective	\$2.75
	Frank Hanrahan, Chief of Police	2.75
	Detective Kennedy	2.75
		8.25
The Ross Pring	Printing	2.00
Frank Colwell	Fur Caps	257.00
Corono Caf's	8 Meals	2.80
Can. Coffee House	"	2.10
		\$ 2132.40

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GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

		<u>Printing & Stationery</u>	
T.C. Allen & Co.	City Assessor	54.90	
	Mayor	8.00	
	" Collector	1.25	64.15
A. & W. MacKinlay		<u>Books</u>	
	City Collector	71.80	
	" Clerk	50	72.80
Chronicle Publishing Co.		<u>Advertising</u>	
		7.50	
		2.10	
		11.90	
		6.30	
		2.80	
		<u>30.60</u>	30.60
Herald Publishing Co.		<u>Advertising</u>	
		2.10	
		6.30	8.40
Blackadar Bros.		Advertising	4.65
"		Sub. to Recorder 1918	5.00
Royal Print & Litho Ltd.		Directory	4.50
A Milne Fraser		Typewriter Ribbon	1.00
E. Montgomery Veith		Services to Assessors	10.00
London Rubber Stamp Co.		Rubber Stamp	4.15
Dr. Finn, M.D.		Certificate of Death	4.00
		E. Turner	
Ernest H. Blois, Superintendent Neglected & Delinquent children, Support of Neglected Children 3 months to Dec. 31st, 1919			541.48
			<u>\$ 750.23</u>

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Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries & Flour	1002.71
Robt. McLeod & Co.5	Meats	888.09
Leonard Fisheries	Fish	59.85
Smith & Proctor	Butter	236.22
F.W. Keddy	Milk	183.50
Frank W. Fraser	Forage	112.40
Davis & Fraser	Pork	114.00
W. Y. Kennedy	Dry Goods	111.00
Buckley Coal Co. Ltd	Coal	656.07
George E. Boak & Son Ltd.	Coal	95.00
S. Cunard & Co.	Coal	53.25
N.S. Tramway Co.	Light (2 mos)	105.68
The Fleischman Co.	Yeast	4.55
James Simmonds Ltd.	Sundries	5.96
H. McFatrige	Horseshoeing	7.75
Wm. McFatrige	Rope	25.00
Faulkner & Co.	Insurance On Boilers	33.36
The La-Lc Mfg. Co. Ltd	Floor Dressing	38.00
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co. Ltd.	Exchange Service	20.40
Nat. Drug & Chem Co. Ltd.	Shaving Soap	.75
Hillis & Sons Ltd.	Stove Pipe	4.91

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Black & Flinn	Turnips	30.00
C.E. Puttner	Dispensing	50.00
J.F. Outhit & Son	Cabbage	4.00
A.J. McNutt	Repairs	1.25
Halifax Herald Ltd.	Advertising	1.40
Chronicle Pub. Co.	do	2.10
Blackadar Bros.	do	2.00
H.H. Buchanan	Cash Expended	74.22
Salaries	December pay roll	912.24
		<u>\$ 4835.66</u>

Improvement Account.

J.H. Buchanan	Cash Expended	94.56
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

H.D. McFatridge	Horsehoeing	11.75
Buckley Coal Co.	Coal	380.53
Robert Horner	Horsehoeing	32.75
American La France	motor Supplies	1741.75
Wm. Regan	Harness Repairs	9.00
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	hardware	1.42
Mr itime Telephone Co.	Telephone	97.53
N.S. Tramways & Power Co.	Light	4.95
Unger's Laundry	Laundry	16.11
Gutta Percha & Rubber Co.	Rubber Boots	76.40
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Hardware	.10
" "	"	92.26
National Drug Co.	Stores	97.01
Buckley Coal Co.	Fuel	1628.68
Guildford & Sons Ltd.	motor supplies	3.50
N.J. Riggs (Corona Dafe)	Meals	3.40
J. Wannacott	Locks	.50
Wm. Collings & Son	Machine supplies	37.53
Clayton & Sons	Uniforms	1054.00
Chas. Brister	Motor Supplies	1.70
Edmonston & Petch	Waterproof coats	52.50
Halifax Vul. Works	Repairs	1.25
" " "	"	13.75
Hillis & Sons	Fittings	1.25
Canadian Oil Co.	Gasoline	32.48
Longards Ltd.	Machinensupplies	3.27
G.A. Burbidge	Stores	40.00
Burns & Kelleher	machine supplies	6.08
Halifax Infirmary	Medical treatment	5.00
Plumbing-F. McNally	Plumbing	6.00
John Starr Son & Co.	Motor Supplies	2.40
Burns & Kelleher	Machine "	5.34
E.B. Eddy Co.	Stores & "	15.27
R.N. McDonald	"	15.20
American La France Fire Engine Co.		599.00
National Fire Protection Co.		6.00
Can. Rubber Co.		4.37
J.W. Churchill		15.00
J. MacInnes	Lumber	42.17
T.C. Allen & Co.	office supplies	15.75
C. Brister & Son.	Motor Supplies	7.50
Imperial Oil Co.	Gasoline	98.33
	Total	<u>\$ 4705.94</u>

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WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Street Lighting	2108.47
Fuel City Hall	306.73
Internal Health	1064.89
City Hall Lighting	47.88
City Property	20.75
Market Revenue	51.25
Cleaning Paved Streets	23.75
Maintenance Clocks	10.20
Teams & Stables	60.09
Sewerage	658.50
Streets	1085.36
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	\$5437.87
Water Maintenance	981.00
Water Construction	17.40
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	\$6436.27
Explosion Damages (Separate Warrant)	327.70
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	\$ 6763.97

Council.

The Board adjourned.

A.C. Hawkins.

MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan

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CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 14th, 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.20 O'clock, present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Finlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

of

Tar Macadamizing Streets.
Riot Damages.
Explosion - Riot.
Haber Hartlen Account for Removal of snow Robie Street.
Special Castings.
Larch Street Lines.
Purity of Water Supply - Long Lake Watershed.
Tuberculosis Hospital.
Electric Wiring Inspection.
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Public Schools - Playgrounds.
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Streets - Sanding of Hills.
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John Hanrahan - Superannuation.
School Commissioners.
Government Employment Office.
Maintenance Neglected Children et al.
Motor Hack Licenses.
Street Railway Upkeep of Roadbed.
J.S. Thompson - Injured at Public Gardens.
City Home Accounts.
Explosion - Full Reparation.
Building Act Violation by Dominion Government.
Public Health.
Influenza Epidemic.
City Health Board Accounts.

TAR MACADAMIZING OF STREETS.

Read requisition Works Department for payment of account \$129.00 for the Town of Truro for Tarvia and use of tank wagon for the Tarvia-Macadamizing of Streets. The account is passed for payment.

RIOT DAMAGES.

Read report Clerk of Works re account of Walter Lownds \$565.25 for repairs to City Hall on account of Riot, May 25th, 1918, as follows:-

Halifax, January 14, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

January 14th, 1919.

Gentlemen:-

I received from the City Engineer a certificate for \$565.25 in favor of Walter Lownds on account repairs to City Hall. We have been paying from time to time out of City property account for the work being done by Mr. Lownds, but this fund is now exhausted. I understood your Board proposed making an arrangement for a loan to cover this, and work done in connection with riot damages, but as far as I can learn this has not yet been done, and in the meantime no further payment can be made to Mr. Lownds.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Read memorandum submitted by the City Auditor showing the account of the riot to date to be \$5071.37 including Mr. Lownds account above referred to and \$1300.00 for fire hose destroyed.

On motion of Controller Murphy it is decided to request the Provincial Secretary to undertake to use the good offices of the Government to secure the passage of Legislation necessary to legalizing the payment of ~~the~~ account due to the riot. Controller Finlay dissents.

EXPLOSION - RIOT.

The City Engineer is requested to submit a statement showing the expenditures on account of Explosion repairs and Riot damages up to date on City Property with an estimate of what further sums may be required on this account.

HEBER HARTLEN ACCOUNT FOR REMOVAL OF SNOW
ROBIE STREET.

Read report Assistant City Engineer as follows:-

Jan. 2, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control that on at least two different

*Auditor ✓
Provincial
Secretary*

*Engineer ✓
Auditor ✓*

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occasions last winter men were sent out to Robie Street to cut a road through the drifts north of Lady Hammond Road. Their time was not kept separate as they were doing a similar class of work in different parts of the City and moving from one place to another. They were not working for more than a day on each occasion.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Engineer ✓
Referred back to the Assistant City Engineer for report giving the dates upon which the City was engaged in removing snow off the Street[^] in the North End of Ward Six.

SPECIAL CASTINGS.

Read report Assistant City Engineer, as follows:-

Jan. 13, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

We require a quantity of special water pipe castings for laying a larger pipe on Argyle Street and also to have on hand. The smaller sizes we obtain locally, as we have our own patterns.

Engineer ✓
Council
We have asked Messrs. R.D. Wood & Company and Drummond McCall & Company for tenders, and the former tender at 9¢ per pound f.o.b foundry Philadelphia and the latter at 7½¢ and 8½¢ per pound for different castings. These prices are f. o b Montreal. It is necessary that these castings should be obtained in time for the opening of the Spring work and I would recommend that the tender of Drummond McCall & Company be accepted.

I am attaching copies of tenders.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Approved.

LARCH STREET LINES.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

Jan. 14th 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

The official line of Larch Street on the west side encroaches on property owned by the Estate of A.M. Bell and Edward B. Renner. Mr. Johnston has discussed the matter with representatives of the property owners and they agree to sell the land to

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the City for 20¢ a square foot. It is probable that if the matter went to arbitration, it would cost the City more. There is about 840 square feet in the Ball Estate property and about 350 square feet in the Renner property.

I would recommend that their offer to sell, be accepted.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Deferred pending a general report from the City Engineer on all properties involved in the straightening of the lines of Barch Street to conform to the official City Plan.

*M/c
Engineer*

PURITY OF WATER SUPPLY - LONG LAKE WATERSHED.

Read report Assistant City Engineer, as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 14, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Some three years ago or more, application was made to the Crown Lands' office for a grant of land on the watershed of Long Lake. An application made by George J. Hiseler two years previously, was found to be on file there for the same lot.

I have had several interviews with the Attorney General asking that in view of the fact that this land was required for public purposes, priority should be given to the application of the City. He could not see his way clear to do this as if it had not been for lack of surveyors to run off the land, the grant would have passed to Mr. Hiseler before the City's application was submitted.

*Club works
Engineer
Auditor
Council*

Since then I have been trying to arrive at an agreement with Mr. Hiseler and he submits as his lowest offer, that he will take three hundred dollars \$300.00 and withdraw his application for the lot and pay all his expenses incurred to date.

There are about eighty acres in the lot. Should this offer not be accepted, the grant will pass to Mr. Hiseler and it will then be necessary for the City to expropriate it from him.

There is no doubt as to the desirability and necessity of the City's acquiring a title to the lands on the watershed of the immediate vicinity of the lakes. If the City were obliged to expropriate this lot, the chances are that a higher price would have to be paid, and I would therefore recommend the acceptance of Mr. Hiseler's offer.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Approved.

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TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read letter Ross & MacDonald, Architects, as follows:-

January 14th, 1919.

The Board of Control.
City of Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sirs:-

Following the approval of the final sketch drawings of The Halifax Tuberculosis Hospital, as submitted by our Mr. Ross to the Board of Control at their meeting December 19th, and, in accordance with the recent resolution of the Board of Control instructing us to complete the working drawings and specifications, we beg to report that this work has had our continuous effort and that complete working drawings and specifications have been prepared. If you will advise the number of copies of plans and specifications required by your City Engineer for the reception of tenders in connection with the construction of this work, we will have these prepared immediately. Would you also be good enough to advise whether or not it is your desire that tenders should be called for from the City Engineer's office or by ourselves.

The drawings have been revised by Major Gates, whom we understand it is your desire should be associated with the supervision of the work. Should the Board desire further review of the plans same could be submitted.

Awaiting your further instructions in this matter.

We are,
Ross & MacDonald.

Referred to His Worship the Mayor for discussion with Major Gates and report.

ELECTRIC WIRING INSPECTION.

Read report City Electrician as follows:-

Jan. 14, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Dear Sir,

Following your instructions, I beg herewith to report as to men employed in my department.

At present there are three men and a boy employed, the wages ~~be~~ paid being, for two men \$4.00 each per day and the other at \$4.25 per day which the boy receives \$4.00 per week.

My total appropriation for wages for the year was \$2,200.00. This was based on a staff of two men and a boy, the wages being \$3.60, \$3.00 and \$4.00 per week for the boy.

*Mayor ✓
Ross & MacDonald ✓
H. W. Gates ✓
Solicitor 3 ✓*

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The increase in work in both fire alarm and wire inspection, necessitated the taking on of additional help, and wages had to be increased so that at the end of December, I find the amount paid out for wages \$1,958.00

The deficit at the end of the year will, I estimate be roughly \$1,200.00 all of which is properly chargeable to explosion account.

P.R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

*Electrician
Engineer*

The City Engineer is requested to report with recommendations as to the advisability of making a charge for inspection of electric wiring against persons requiring such services.

EXPLOSION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS \$30,000.00

Read letter Board of School Commissioners

as follows:-

Halifax, January 13, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.
City.

Gentlemen:-

I am directed to make application for Thirty Thousand (\$30,000.00) Dollars on account of explosion repairs to Public Schools.

G.K. Butler,
Acting Secretary.

*Engineer
Treasurer*

Moved by Controller Murphy that the City Treasurer be authorized to arrange with the Relief Commission for a loan of \$30,000.00 on account of explosion damages for Public Schools, and for the sum of \$3,300 making up a total authorization of \$500,000.00 on account of repairs to City Prop-

erty. *It Defered pending a report from the City Engineer as to estimate of amount required to complete & place in repairs and replacements of City Property.*
PUBLIC SCHOOLS - PLAYGROUNDS.

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Re ad letter Provincial Secretary as follows:-

January 14th, 1919.

Halifax, 11th, January, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Provincial Secretary to inform you that the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax has applied to the Governor in Council for the approval of the following resolutions adopted by the Board at a recent meeting.

ST. JOSEPH LOTS.

"RESOLVED That the Governor in Council be asked to authorize this Board to purchase lots of land on Russell Street to enlarge St. Joseph's School Playgrounds and to instruct the Board of Control to issue debentures to the extent of three thousand Nine Hundred and Sixty-four (\$3964.00) Dollars for the purchase of the same."

OXFORD LOTS.

"RESOLVED That the Governor in Council be asked to authorize this Board to purchase lots of land on North Street to enlarge Oxford School playgrounds and to instruct the Board of Control to issue debentures to the extent of Six Thousand (\$6000.00) Dollars for the purchase of the same."

I am also to inform you that the Governor in Council has appointed Monday, the 13th day of January, at eleven o'clock, A.M., in the executive Council Room, Province Building, as the time and place at which the matter of such application shall be heard and that the City may appear at the hearing.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Filed.

The City Clerk is instructed to write the Provincial Secretary requesting that in future not less than one week's notice be given the City as to date of hearings before the Governor in Council in respect to matters relating to Public Schools.

STREETS NEAR OCEAN TERMINALS.

Read letter Sidney Locke re conditions of Streets near Ocean Terminals. Referred to the City Engineer.

Provincial Secretary

Engineer

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STREETS- SANDING OF HILLS.

Read letter Society for the Prevention of Cruelty
as follows:-

Halifax, January 11th, 1919

The Board of Control,
Halifax, N.S.
Gentlemen:-

A great many horse-owners and others have drawn my attention to the fact and I have also noticed the condition - that Prince Street and other hills after a rain, when a frost follows, are in such a condition that horses, although well shod, can hardly make their way on the,. The result has been that the animals have fallen down, have suffered severe injuries and important traffic is held up.

I am not speaking of the cases where men could use other hills less dangerous, but particularly of Prince Street, where goods have to be hauled to the Chronicle Building and other such streets where the stores and buildings are requiring the aid of such teams, and where this terrible condition exists.

Would it not be a practical step on the part of the authorities to secure a machine, which could spread sand on the hills in such cases, and pending the securing of such a machine, could not you instruct some of your civic employees to attend to this work without delay? Ashes were spread by some of the building -owners, but they do not serve such a purpose as would be secured in the cases where sand was used.

R. H. Murray,
Secretary.

Referred to the City Engineer to acknowledge and for attention.

WAR - GERMAN MINE.

Read correspondence re effort of His Worship the Mayor to procure a German Mine recently picked up in the mouth of Halifax Harbor, as follows:-

Halifax, Dec. 20th, 1918.

Admiral Superintendent W.O. Storey,
H.M. Dockyard,
C i t y.

Sir-

I understand a bomb or floating mine recently

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picked up by some fishermen in the mouth of Halifax Harbor is now on exhibition at the store of the Nova Scotia Furnishing Co. in Halifax.

It occurs to me that this would be an interesting souvenir of the war, if possessed by the City of Halifax, properly inscribed and mounted and I beg to ask you if it would be possible for the City to secure it and in what way we would proceed to obtain it.

A.C.Hawkins,
MAYOR.

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Department of Naval Service,
H.M.C. Dockyard, Halifax, Dec. 21/18

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir,-

With reference to your letter of December 20th, with regard to the City securing one of the German mines picked up on this coast, I have no authority to comply with your wishes, and suggest that you might make application direct to the Naval Department at Ottawa, addressing your letter to the Secretary, Department of the Naval Service, Ottawa.

W.O.Storey,
Admiral Superintendent.

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Halifax, December 23, 1918.

The Secretary,
Department of Naval Service,
Ottawa.

Sir-

I have the honor to enclose copies of self explanatory correspondence with the subject of which I desire your sympathetic interest. This mine brought near to our homes the menace of the war, and I think the City of Halifax should be placed in possession of it.

A.C.Hawkins,
MAYOR.

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Department of Naval Service,
Ottawa, 8th January 1919

His, Worship,
Mayor A.C. Hawkins, M.D.,
Halifax, N.S.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter 46-1-29 of 31st December 1918, I am directed to inform you that it

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is regretted the Department is unable to approve of the transfer of a recovered German Mine to the City of Halifax, it being required for naval purposes.

J.R. ----
Naval Secretary.

Filed.

JOHN HANRAHAN - SUPERANNUATION.

Read report City Engineer, as follows:-

Halifax, Jan 10, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the application of Mr. John Hanrahan, Assistant blacksmith at the City Workshop for superannuation, being to ill-health

Mr. Hanrahan is an old man, having worked about fifty one years in the Water Department service. The average wages paid to him for the three years ending May 1st, 1919 is \$506.80 a year. He is entitled to superannuation at three fifths of that amount, of \$304. a year. Thirteen thirtieths or \$131.73 is payable from the Superannuation fund and seventeen thirtieths or \$172.27 a year from General account.

Mr. Hanrahan's age and the condition of his health makes it practically impossible for him to continue in service, and the law provides that under these conditions he is entitled to superannuation.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

The report is approved and it is decided that Mr. Hanrahan be engaged at light employment at full pay to May 1st, 1919, or at half pay until that date if he is unable to work.

SCHOOL COMMISSIONERS.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary, as follows:-

Halifax, 9th January 19

The City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Honourable Provincial Secretary to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 6th, respecting the substitution of Alderman Parker for Controller Taylor as a member of the Board of School Commissioners, and to say that the

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Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Council ✓

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Government will use their good offices to ratify the appointment at the next session of the Legislature.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy provincial Secretary.

A copy of the letter is ordered to be forwarded to the Board of School Commissioners.

FIRST AID TO THE INJURED - MOTION PICTURES.

The St. John Ambulance Brigade, through Lieutenant Colonel Birdwhistle from Toronto appeared before the Board asking that opportunity be afforded all members of the Police Force and the Fire Department to attend motion picture exhibition of First Aid Work at the Casino Theatre at 5 p.m., on the 15th inst, and at the Orpheus Theatre at 10.30 a.m., on the 16th, inst. The invitation is willingly accepted.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYMENT OFFICE.

Read letter Minister of Labor as follows:-

Minister of Labor, Ottawa,
January 7th, 1919.

L.F. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,

Dear Sir,-

Our Mr. E. McG. Quirk is at present in your province conferring with the Provincial Government on the matter of the establishment of employment offices in certain municipalities by authority of the Employment Offices Co-ordination Act (copy enclosed). In the opinion of both the Provincial And Dominion Governments an Office should be established in your city and I am writing to bring the matter to the attention of the Mayor and the Council so that they may give it some consideration before Mr. Quirk calls on them.

By the terms of Order-in-Council No 3171 copy of which is enclosed, you will see that the Minister of Labour is empowered to establish and maintain employment offices, provided the municipalities concerned supply office space and equipment. Mr. Quirk has full authority to make arrangements in the matter and I bespeak for him your best co-operation.

G.D. Robertson,
Minister of Labour.

Filed.

Solicitor
Council
Ald Parker
Sch. School
Board

Chief Fire
Dept
Chief Police

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MAINTENANCE NEGLECTED CHILDREN ET AL.

Read letter E.H.Blois, Superintendent Neglected and Delinquent Children, as follows:-

Halifax, Jan 9th, 19 19

To His Worship Mayor Hawkins and Members of the Board of Control. Gentlemen:-

I am informed by the City Auditor that he has no funds available to pay a recent account rendered for the maintenance of neglected children. This is a most extraordinary statement, in view of the fact that last year the Board of Control unanimously agreed to provide \$2000.00 for this purpose, of which up to date there has been paid only \$756.10 Hence there should be sufficient funds on hand to pay the last account rendered.

There seems to be a mistake somewhere, and I would request that the matter be enquired into with a view to have the account paid at an early date.

Ernest H. Blois,
Supt. Neglected and Delinquent Children.

The City Treasurer submits the following suggestion :

" Permission to be requested of premier Murray to combine the items in City Grants etc., in Estimates 1918-19

Reformatory Institutions	3750)	
Childrens Protection Act	2000)	
Females Committed	1000)	in one charge
Feeble Minded Children	1500)	
Neglected Colored Children	500)-	

which shall include Infants Home Tower Road \$500, Infants Home Brunswick St. \$500. Protestant Home Females \$400 R.C.Home Females \$400. Industrial School & St. Patrick's Home , and any or all accounts properly chargeable against any of the above items."

The Recommendation of the City Treasurer is approved.

MOTOR HACK LICENSES.

Read applications James ^{meagher} Mahor for a motor hack license. The license is ordered to be granted.

Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Letter Premier ✓
Murray ✓
Council ✓
E.H. Blois ✓

Asst-City-clerk ✓

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Chief of Police
assst. by clerk.

Read applications Wisle Bell and Harry Lucas for motor hacklicenses. The licenses are ordered to be granted if approved by the Chief of Police. Controller Finlay dissents.

STREET RAILWAY UPKEEP OF ROAD BED.

Read letter Board of Public Utilities covering copy of decision as follows:-
Halifax, January 10th, 1919

Mr. L. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

Enclosed herewith is copy of the decision of the Board filed in connection with the above matter.

L.B. Taylor,
Secretary.

Nova Scotia Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities.
City of Halifax,

vs

Nova Scotia Tramways & Power Co. Ltd.

This matter came before the Board on the second day of December 1918 in the form of an informal complaint based on a report of the City Engineer in regard to the maintenance of the road-bed of the Respondent company.

The evidence of officials of the company was taken, from which it appeared that while considerable work had been done by the company, it had been found impossible owing principally to the scarcity of labor and partly to the lack of material, to overtake all the work necessary to put the track allowance in proper condition.

The company showed that it had endeavored to obtain men both by public advertisement and by personal effort of tis staff. Portions of the roadbed complained of had been thoroughly repaired during the early part of the present season but owing to heavy automobile traffic even these portions of the road-bed were out of repair during the autumn. The same conditions also obgained in regard to certain street repair work done by the City during the early part of the year due to the same dauses.

Owing to the lateness of the season at which this complaint was filed and the fact that at the time of the hearing the gound had already become frozen, it would appear to be unreasonable, in fact useless, to make an order requiring the company to perform road-bed work at this time, except work of a purely temporary character wherever portions of such road-bed are

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dangerous to traffic.

While therefore, the Board has reached the conclusion that it should not be called upon the respondent company to do such repair work in mid-winter, the Respondent company will understand that all necessary repair work must be undertaken and carried on expeditiously at the earliest opportunity in the Spring and it will be open to the City of Halifax to make application to the Board for such order as may be just in the event of the company failing to perform any duty in regard to the maintenance of its road-bed imposed upon it by statute.

Dated at Halifax, N.S. this 8th day of January 1919.

Sg.d John U. Ross,
" R.T. MacIlreith.

Referred to the City Engineer.

J.S. THOMPSON - INJURED AT PUBLIC GARDENS.

Read letter Commissioners of Halifax Commons, as follows:-

Halifax, Jan 10, 1919

The City Clerk,
City Hall.

Sir,

At a meeting of the Commissioners of the Halifax Common, held January 8th, 1919, upon the recommendation of Superintendent Power it was decided to pay the doctor's bill for J.S. Thompson, an employee of the Public Gardens, who was injured while at work in the Gardens. The attached account has been rendered to cover the above and is sent to you for presentation to the Board of Control.

Ernest H. Blois,
Secretary, Commissioners Halifax
Common.

The account of Dr. E. J. Farrell \$20.00 is passed for payment.

CITY HOME ACCOUNTS.

Read report Secretary City Home re coal account, as follows:-

Halifax, January 10th, 1919.

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

As per your request I beg to report re accounts for Coal submitted for payment January 9th, 19

Engineer

Auditor

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The bill of The Buckley Coal Co. Ltd is as per contract hence no discount., the Geo. E. Boak & Co. account is also nett.

The discount of 50¢ per ton allowed on the S. Cunard & Co. account has been deducted.

James O'Bryan,
Secretary.

The accounts are passed for payment (See Minutes Board of Control January 9th, 1919)

EXPLOSION - FULL REPARATION.

Read letter City Clerk to the Chairman of the Halifax Relief Commission and his reply thereto, as follows:-

January 9th, 1919

T.S. Rogers, Esq.,
Chairman Relief Commission.

Sir,

By direction of His Worship the Mayor, I have the honor to enclose herewith for your persual and for any suggestions you may have to offer a form of letter drafted by City Solicitor Bell for submission to the Dominion Government appealing for full reparation for the damage caused by the Explosion of December 6thm 1917.

L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

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Halifax, January 11th, 1919

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 9th enclosing a draft of a letter proposed to be sent to the Prime Minister of Canada.

There is nothing the Commission has to suggest in this regard except that perhaps the paragraph before the last should be omitted, in as much as steps had been taken to ascertain as far as possible the total losses that have been suffered and a report to the Government has been made, showing in considerable detail the losses which have been caused by the disaster.

I might also add that as Sir Robert L. Borden is now in England in connection with the Peace Conference the letter should perhaps be directed to Sir Thomas White, Acting Prime Minister.

It might be the better course to direct this communication in the first instance to the Commission who would forward it to the proper authorities, but this, of course, is a matter entirely for the City Council.

T.S. Rogers,
Chairman.

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January 16th, 1919

T.S. Rogers, Esq.,
Chairman Halifax, Relief Commission.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with your suggestion, the City Solicitor has amended the appeal of the City of Halifax to the Dominion Government and I beg to attach a copy of it as amended.

Please destroy the copy of the original draft I sent you some days ago.

The Board of Control unanimously accepted your recommendation that our appeal be forwarded to the Government through the Relief Commission and I have the honor therefor to enclose the same herewith for transmission by you.

L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

The Board concurs in the recommendations of the Chairman of the Relief Commission and the draft of the letter to the Dominion Government ^{is} ~~as~~ amended accordingly and ordered to be forwarded to the Chairman of the Relief Commission for transmission to the Acting Prime Minister, as follows:-

Halifax, January 16th, 1919

To-

Sir Thomas White,
Acting Prime Minister of Canada.

Sir,

The Mayor and Board of Control of the City of Halifax have instructed me to bring before the Government of Canada its request that the Government make both to the City as a corporation and to the inhabitants of the City complete restitution for the injuries inflicted upon the City and the inhabitants by the great explosion of the 6th December 1917.

We are not in the least unappreciative of the relief which has already been furnished by the government, in addition to the large amounts contributed in that behalf by the Government of the United Kingdom, by the United States, and by a great number of other most generous contributors both private and public. But great as has been the total amount of these contributions it has fallen much short of the sum required to make reparation for the enormous injury occasioned ~~and~~ even insofar as money is capable of making reparation for such really irreparable things, as loss of life and the infliction of blindness or other permanent injuries. It was of course impossible at the outset either to determine with any accuracy the extent of the losses or the

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degree in which these would be relieved by funds provided for relief. It is now however clear that the amount so provided will fall much short of what will be required, and the Board of Control respectfully submit that it is the duty of the Government of the Dominion to make up the deficiency.

The plain ground on which the Board deems that the claim properly rests, is that the calamity which befell our City was due to a war risk which the City was compelled to undergo, not for its own sake, but for that of all Canada, and in fact of all the nations allied against the Central European Powers. This port was selected for the collection of convoys proceeding across the Atlantic, including ships laden with explosives. We had no volition in the matter, and we submit that every consideration of justice demands that a loss which has been occasioned by a risk run for the benefit of all, should be borne by all.

This would be so, even if there was no ground for claiming that the disaster was occasioned by the negligence of officials for whom the Dominion Government was responsible. That such ground does manifestly exist in the undisputed circumstances of the case, namely, that a vessel laden with a cargo of the frightfully dangerous character of that aboard the Mount Blanc was permitted to enter Halifax Harbor without any precaution to prevent a collision - even one so manifestly desirable as the temporary stoppage of other traffic, very materially in the opinion of the Board strengthens the claim which they make.

To this claim the only answer even suggested is that as Halifax has prospered by the War, she should bear the risks incident to the War, This argument submitted is a complete fallacy and misapprehension. Some persons, residents in Halifax have undoubtedly prospered by the War, but the City is not the same as the inhabitants, nor has the prosperity, been at all generally diffused among the inhabitants. Many of the individuals who have profited by the war expenditures here have been brought to the City by the very fact of those expenditures, and will quite probably leave when those expenditures have ceased. Of our own population before the War, a large proportion were people of moderate means and fixed incomes, to all of whom the War has, quite apart from the disaster, been a source of great loss in the increased cost of living. In one respect this increase has been enormous. The increase in our population due to the influx already mentioned, combined with the decrease in the number of houses, caused not only by the disaster, but also by the extension of the railway through the City to the new terminals at the South end, has caused rents to rise to twice and even three times their former amounts, causing great suffering to many people.

The City itself as a corporation has certainly been no gainer by the War not only has a great deal of assess-

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able property been destroyed by the explosion, in addition to a large amount taken out of assessment by the railway extension, but the heavy additional traffic on our streets caused both by the War and the disaster have rendered them in many places almost impassable, necessitating an appropriation for their maintenance an appropriation for their maintenance much larger than has previously been required.

At the present time the conditions of many of our streets is such that it appears inevitable that a large addition must be made to our already heavy bonded indebtedness to make them passable. One result of this has already been a great increase in our yearly taxation. Whilst this may be borne by persons holding land for business or speculation, it is an unalleviated hardship on the large class of persons who are the owners of the properties which they themselves occupy for purposes of residence. In Great Britian during the recent War, and also in the United States at the time of the Spanish War, the burden thus thrown on municipalities specially affected by war activities was recognized and compensation given.

The amount that has been disposed of by the Relief Commission has been made use of to mainly relieve losses which may be generally characterized as of a domestic character, and in respect to business of a small class, and will leave untouched may losses of very serious nature, some of which if not adjusted may seriously handicap the industrial and commercial future of the City. The Board is informed that inquiries have been made by the Relief Commission as to the character and extent of these other losses, but is not fully informed as to how far these inquiries have been given extended, nor as to what opportunities have been given to persons or companies affected to make their losses known. The Board therefore begs that the Government will take whatever steps may be necessary to supplement these inquiries so as to ascertain the full extent of the losses sustained by all of our citizens by reason of the disaster and to make adequate reparation for them.

The Board has submitted its claim to the other municipalities of the province and is pleased to be able to say that its justice has been universally admitted. I am instructed to forward herewith a file of the correspondence on this matter.

L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

BUILDING ACT VIOLATION BY DOMINION GOVERNMENT.

Read letter Hon. A.K. MacLean, M.P., as follows:-

January 14th, 1919.

Department of Trade and Commerce,
OTTAWA, January 6th, 1919

F.H. Bell, Esq.,
City Solicitor
Dear Mr. Bell,

Further referring to your letter of the 24th ultimo in reference to the proposed construction of a Military Garage on Cogswell Street, I beg to say that on enquiry I find that this garage is to be but a temporary building, and will be torn down before very long. Similar buildings have had to be erected in St. John, Montreal and Toronto, and I might say also that protests similar to those made by the Assistant City Engineer were made in these places. Inasmuch as the structures are of a like nature and temporary only it was not thought that the Government should be put to the expense of erecting permanent structures for which shortly they would have no use.

I have not have a reply yet from the Department of Militia upon the matter, but when I receive that I shall forward it to you.

You might give the substance of this letter to the Assistant City Engineer.

A.K. MacLean,

Filed.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

Read letter Dr. W.H. Hattie Provincial Health Officer, as follows :-

Halifax, N.S. January 11th, 19

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

The death rate in Nova Scotia continues to be much higher than it should be. This implies an unnecessary high sickness rate. Apart from the suffering and sorrow thus entailed, unnecessary illness imposes upon us an economic loss which is estimated at not less than \$10,000,000 a year.

The war has cost us many lives. Influenza has robbed us of many more. Well organized departments of health have shown that it is possible to very materially reduce the death and sickness rate. To offset our losses in life, and to maintain an efficiency which will enable us to hold our own in competition with other peoples we must have a more complete health organization.

Tuberculosis is very prevalent in Nova Scotia and constitutes our chief health problem. The legislation of 1913, which contemplated an organized attempt at the control of this disease, could not be made operative on account of war conditions. The recent great enlargement of the Nova Scotia Sanatorium makes revision of that legislation necessary.

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There is also a pressing need for greater effort to conserve child life.

It is now suggested that the following plan be adopted.

1. Withdrawal of Provincial assistance towards the erection and equipment of district sanatoria
2. Increase of the per capita allowance from the Provincial treasury towards maintenance of patients in sanatoria which may be established independently of other Provincial aid.
3. Establishment of a health clinic, especially equipped for diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis and for instruction in infant feeding and care, in each county.
4. Appointment of an Inspector of Health ; specially trained in the diagnosis and treatment of tuberculosis and also in the epidemiology of all communicable diseases
5. Appointment of three district Medical Health Officers to give their full time to public health work.
6. Appointment of a sufficient number of public health nurses, under a superintendent of nursing service, to provide a fairly complete nursing service for the province, including supervision of school children.

The District Medical Health Officers would be each assigned approximately a third of the area of the Province, which is as much territory as one man could be expected to properly administer. Being independent of local influences they would be able to carry on their duties impartially in the interest of every part of their districts. The medical inspection of school children and of the sanitary condition of school premises, places of public assemblage, manufactories, lumber camps, etc., would be included among the duties of these officers.

The public health nurses would be detailed, as nearly as practicable, so that each county would have the services of one nurse, altho' it might prove advisable that a nurse's territory should not be limited by county boundaries. These nurses would visit homes in which communicable diseases existed for the purpose of instructing those in the homes in the measures to be followed in dealing with the sick, especially to prevent spread of infection, in remedying sanitary defects, etc., Experience has shown that the public health nurse is an extremely valuable factor in bettering health conditions, because of the intimacy of her relations with the people. The nurses would be expected to tour their districts, keeping in close touch with the schools, assisting in the detection of the remedial defects which are so common among school children and which not only hinder progress in school work but very often prejudice the whole future life of the child. Special attention would also be given to tubercular cases and to the instruction of mothers

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(actual and expectant) in the care of their babies. They would attend at their respective clinics on clinic days, and would be required to see that tubercular patients followed out in their homes the instructions given by the clinic physician, or the Inspector of Health, as the case might be. It is unnecessary to further elaborate their opportunities for usefulness, or to argue the great benefit which would be expected to follow their introduction.

This plan would, of course, involve a considerable expenditure of money, which could not be fully met by present provincial revenues. I should therefore be glad to know if the ~~vare~~ various municipal, city and town councils would be willing to cooperate in the plan by contributing towards it at the rate of five cents per head of estimated population, and by furnishing quarters and equipment for the health clinics. The last item would necessitate but a very small expenditure.

It will be appreciated that the communicable diseases do not recognize any municipal boundaries, and that their control in one community is a matter of importance to all other communities. A contribution towards the maintenance of a department which would endeavor to harmonize the activities of the various local boards of health and to better health conditions throughout the Province might, therefore, be regarded as a form of health insurance, which should have the effect of reducing other expenditures required of your council in connection with health work.

In order that it may be known what support could be counted upon from your Council in the event of this proposition being laid before the Legislature, I have the honor to request that you lay the plan before your council at the earliest opportunity and inform me of such conclusions as are reached. Should you wish further information on any point, I will of course, be glad to furnish it. I feel that the matter is of such manifest importance that you will regard the plan most sympathetically and accord it every consideration, and I would welcome any suggestions relative thereto which you may care to offer.

W. H. Hattie,
Provincial Health Officer.

Referred to the City Health Board with a request that they submit to this Board any recommendations they may have ~~en~~ to suggest.

INFLUENZA EPIDEMIC.

Read letter Commissioners of Conservation re information relating to Influenza epidemic, as follows:

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OTTAWA, CANADA,
Jan. 11, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir:-

It is the purpose of the Commission to collect and collate for publication, all the data it is possible to obtain from Health Authorities and other sources relative to the recent epidemic of influenza, happening in Canada.

With a view to making this report as complete as possible, your co-operation is requested. We feel sure the publication of a Report on this epidemic as it affected the Dominion of Canada will be of great interest and would be incomplete without your co-operation.

Will you kindly furnish me with a synopsis of any special work carried out under your direction, accompanied by copies of any literature issued? It would also be of interest to learn of the extent of the epidemic in your province accompanied by any data you may have relating thereto.

For your information I may state that we are circularizing the M.O.H. of the larger centres of population as well as the Mayors and civic heads of municipalities within your province.

Chas. Hodgetts,
Medical Adviser.

Referred to the City Health Board.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts chargeable to the City Health Board are passed for payment :

Musgrave Construction Co.	Contract	763.00
J.J. Scriven - Son.	Bread	44.88
Acadian Recorder	Advertising	6.20
Ross. Print	Books	8.50
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	12.60
S. Cunard & Co.	Coal	198.49
City Taxi	Service	8.00
Buckley Coal Co.	Coal	75.60
T.C. Allen Stationary	Stationary	10.20
S.D. Innes	Milk	224.80
P.T. Shea	Butter & Eggs	57.40
Baldwin & Co.	Delft ware	21.15
London Rubber Stamp Co.	Stamp	8.15
Cragg Bros.	Hardware	5.05
Hibbs & Sons	fittings etd.	21.60
Farquhar Bros.	lights rep.	11.20
Morton & Thompson	hardware	380.71
T.H T Francis	Bedding	2708.27
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		\$ 4644.80

The Board adjourned.

L. J. O'Rourke
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

Health Board

Council

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 16th, 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.15 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Murphy and Hines.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Coal Weighers Fees.
Gerrish Street Engine House.
Motor Cars Standing on Barrington Street.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
City Hall Roofing.

Loss of Taxes through Government-ownership.
COAL WEIGHERS FEES.

Read report Coal Weighers for December showing each weigher to have received \$103.66 for the month.
Filed.

GERRISH STREET ENGINE HOUSE.

Read report Clerk of Works as follows:-

Jan. 15, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

With reference to resolution passed by the Board January 7th, in re Gerrish Street engine house, I beg to report that the building is at present under rental to W.H. Isnor & Sons at a rate of \$125.00 per annum.

As to its present condition that is a matter for the Engineering Department to report on.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

MOTOR CARS STANDING ON BARRINGTON STREET.

Read application Everett Langille as follows:-
253 Barrington Street,
Halifax, Jan. 14, 1919

Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I have a taxi office at the above address

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253 Barrington Street and would like your permission to have two cars standing in front of the office that's when they are not engaged I will vouch for the cars not blocking any of the traffic it would be convenient to our customers if you will let me have the permission to stand two cars I would like you kindly to let me know.

Chief of Police

Everett Langille,
Halifax, N.S.

Referred to the Chief of Police for report.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician as follows:-
Halifax, Jan. 16th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

The following Fire Alarm Boxes have been inspected and found in good operating condition.

P.R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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CITY HALL ROOFING.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-
Jan. 15, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

In accordance with the attached extract from Minutes of the Board of Control I have endeavoured to obtain tenders for the work required on the roof of the City Hall, but have received the following only -

M.E. Keefe Construction Co. For slating at market rates.

S.A. Marshall & Son. For repairing slating - \$193 and for slating work required in connection with the roofers work, \$189.

Wm. McFatrige- For roofing - Barrett's 3-ply brand \$414. Warren's American Crescent brand 3-ply \$434.

I would recommend that the tender of S.A. Marshall & Son for the slating and that of Mr. McFatrige for Barrett Brand roofing be accepted, provided the necessary appropriation can be obtained.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

The report is approved, the cost of the work to be charged to explosion account.

*Engineer
City Works
Auditor
Council*

*Loss of Taxes through Government Ownership
see Minutes January 21st 1919 p 1236.*

*L. J. ...
CITY CLERK.*

MAYOR.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 21st, 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.15 O'clock, present Controller Murphy, Acting Chairman, Hines, and Finlay.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

North West Arm Section #1, Jubilee Road to Oakland Road.
North West Arm Section #2, Oakland Road to Chain Road.
Schools - Oxford Street and St. Joseph's Schools Playgrounds.
Hollis, and South Street Sidewalks.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
Fire Alarm Boxes - New Boxes Installed.
City Prison Supplies.
Chairman.
Explosion - Repairs to Schools and City Property.
Cabot Street Water Extension.
George Street and Grafton Street Electric Light Sewers.
Garage in Residential District - Fred Parsons.
Charles Street and Clifton Street Catch Pit.
Jubilee Road Sewer Extension.
Water Bill #91 Windsor Street Josiah Slaunwhite.
Water Bill #222-228 Gottingen Street Old Ladies Home.
Water Bill #137 Cunard Street Mrs. Jane Murphy.
Water Bill # 236 Maynard Street Est. Catherine Connolly.
Boat Landing Priveleges.
Colonel Brousseau Assessment.
Pathways Across Citadel Hill.
Spath Kline Street.
Flooding of the Egg Pond.
Taxes Lost through Government Ownership & etc. Accounts.

NORTH WEST ARM SECTION #1 JUBILEE ROAD TO OAKLAND ROAD.

Read report City Engineer, as follows:-

Jan. 21, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Certificate #9 - Final.

I beg to recommend payment to the Cook Construction Company and Wheaton of the sum of seven hundred and forty-four dollars and seventy cents (\$744.70) being the balance in full on thier

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contract for the first section of the North West Arm from Jubilee Road to Oakland Road. I have a certificate from the Registrar of Deeds that no liens have been filed against the Company.

Value of work done		\$67,486.70
7 Manhole steps	\$43.20	
Connection at Coburg Rd.	234.29	<u>2,277.49</u>
		67,764.19
Previously certified		<u>67,019.49</u>
Balance recommended in full		<u>\$ 744.70</u>

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Approved and the account is passed for payment.

NORTH WEST ARM SECTION #2, OAKLAND ROAD
TO CHAIN ROCK.

Read report Assistant City Engineer as follows:-

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His Worship the Mayor,
Sir, Certificate #14 - Final.

I beg to recommend payment to the Cook Construction Company and Wheaton of the sum of nineteen thousand twenty-two dollars and ninety-two cents (\$19,022.92) being the balance in full on their contract for the second section of the North West Arm sewer from Oakland Road to Chain Rock. I have a certificate from the Registrar of Deeds that no liens have been filed against the company.-

Value of work done		\$147,758.48
Manhole steps	1916.	
Extra work at Marlboro Woods land		
	ing 100.58	
Extra Work at Station 35 to 40	1794.20	<u>1,913.89</u>
		149,672.37
Previously certified		<u>130,649.45</u>
Balance recommended in full		<u>\$ 19,022.92</u>

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

On motion of Controller Finlay the report is referred back to the City Engineer for report on the two items for extras referred to in this report totalling \$1894.78

Engineer

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SCHOOLS - OXFORD STREET AND ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOLS-
PLAYGROUNDS.

Read letters (2) Deputy Provincial Secretary as follows:-

Halifax, 15th January 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Provincial Secretary to inform you that the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax has applied to the Governor in Council for the approval of the following resolution adopted by the Board at a recent meeting.

ST. JOSEPH'S SCHOOL GROUNDS.

"RESOLVED That application be made to the Governor in Council for an order directing the City of Halifax to issue its debentures to the amount of Three Thousand, Four Hundred and Thirty-eight $33/100$ (\$3438.33) Dollars for the purpose of purchasing lots of land for the improvement of St. Joseph's School Grounds.

OXFORD SCHOOL GROUNDS.

"RESOLVED That application be made to the Governor in Council for an order directing the City of Halifax to issue its debentures to the amount of Six Thousand (\$6000.00) Dollars for the purpose of purchasing lots of land for the improvement of the Oxford School Grounds.

I am also to inform you that the Governor in Council has appointed Saturday, the 18th day of January, at eleven o'clock A.M. in the Executive Council Room, Province Building, as the time and place at which the matter of such application shall be heard, and that the City may appear at the hearing.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

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Halifax, 20th, January, 1919

The City Clerk,

Sir,

I beg to inform you that on the 14th instant the Governor in Council under Section 893 of the Halifax City Charter was pleased to approve of the Contracts proposed to be entered into by the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax for the purchase of certain lots of land required for the improvement of the playgrounds of the Oxford School, for the sum of Six Thousand Dollars, and of St. Joseph's School, for the sum of Three Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty-eight Dollars.

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the sum of Three Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty-eight Dollars and Thirty - Three Cents.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Also read Order in Council as follows:-

Halifax, 20th January, 1919

The City Clerk,
Dear Sir,

I enclose herewith, for the information of the City Auditor, certified copy of Order in Council re the issue of debentures or stock of the City of Halifax to cover amount required by the Board of School Commissioners for purchase of certain lots of land to improve the playgrounds of Oxford School and St. Joseph's School.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

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Certified copy of an Order of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council, dated the 18th day of January, A.D. 1919

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Whereas the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax requires the sum of Six Thousand Dollars for the purchase of ten lots of land on North Street and on Willow Street Extension to improve Oxford School Playgrounds;

And whereas the said Board requires the sum of Three Thousand Four Hundred and Thirty-eight dollars and thirty-three cents for the purchase of lots of land on Russell Street to improve St. Joseph's School Playgrounds;

And whereas the said Board has applied to the Governor in Council for an order directing the City of Halifax to issue its debentures or stock to the amounts so required;

And whereas the Governor in Council appointed Saturday the 18th day of January A.D. 1919, at eleven o'clock A.M. in the Executive Council Room, Province Building, City of Halifax, as the time and place at which the matter of such application should be heard;

And whereas due notice of the amounts so required and of the purposes for which the same are required and of the time and place so appointed were given to the Mayor of the said City;

And whereas the matter of such application was heard at such time and place;

Now therefore the Lieutenant Governor by and with the advice of the Executive Council of Nova Scotia, and under and by virtue of Section 901 of the Halifax City Charter, is pleased to Order and direct and hereby orders and directs the City of Halifax to issue debentures or stock to raise the amounts required.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Clerk of the Executive Council

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Referred to the City Treasurer for report.

HOLLIS AND SOUTH STREET SIDEWALKS.

Read report City Engineer, as follows:-

Jan, 20, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Plans have not yet been completed for this season's street work, but the opening of the new temporary south station makes it imperative that permanent sidewalks be laid on Hollis Street south of Morris Street and on the north side of South Street. This can be done without waiting for the opening of the roadway. The work should be done as early as possible, and I would recommend that a concrete sidewalk with permanent gutter be laid on the west side of Hollis Street from Morris to South, on the east side of Hollis from Morris to Fawson and on the north side of South Street from Hollis to Barrington Street under the Permanent Sidwalk Act 1906. The sidewalks abutting on the railway property will have to be left until the grading and other work is completed. The estimated cost of the work recommended is \$9754.00

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Consideration of the report is deferred until next meeting of the Board.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician as follows:-

Halifax, Jan 20, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Dear Sir,

The following Fire Alarm Boxes have been inspected and found in good working condition.

No 1 21, 23, 24, 26, 27, 32, 39

P.R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

FIRE ALARM BOXES - NEW BOXES INSTALLED.

Read report City Electrician, as follows -

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Halifax, Jan, 17th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to report the installation of the following new Fire Alarm Boxes.

- No. 71 at corner of Young and Barrington St.
- 315 George St. opposite Province Building.
- 314 In the Halifax Hotel.

P.R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Approved.

CITY PRISON SUPPLIES.

Read report Governor of City Prison as follows:-

Halifax, N.S. Jan/1919

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to report in re City Prison supplies as regards tender from February 1st, 1919 to April 30th 1919 as follows:

<u>Articles.</u>	<u>Probable Quantity.</u>
Rolled Oats	36 Bbls.
Sugar (Gran)	6 Bags.
Flour	1/2 Bbl.
Barley	3 Bags.
Herring	4 Bbls.
Molasses	2 Puncheons.
Salt Cod	3 Qtls.
Salt (Fine)	1 Bag
" (coarse)	1 Bag.
Tea	1 Chest.
Onions	1 Bag.
Scrub Brushes	1 doz.
Corn Brooms	1 Doz.
Soap (Suprise)	2 boxes.
Old Dutch Cleanser	1 Box.
Pepper	5 lbs.
Mustard	2 lbs.
Ginger	2 lbs.
Matches	6 pckgs.
White wash brushes	2 doz.
Beef	3,750 Lbs.

Governor City Prison

The Governor of the City Prison is instructed to call for tenders for the necessary supplies.

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CHAIRMAN.

His Worship the Mayor arrives and takes the chair.

EXPLOSION - REPAIRS TO SCHOOLS AND CITY PROPERTY.

Read report City Treasurer, as follows:-

Halifax, January 20th, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

Acting upon the instructions of His Worship the Mayor, I in company with Controller Finlay waited upon Chairman Rogers of the Halifax Relief Commission to request that the balance (\$33,300) of our authorized loan of \$500,000.00 be paid the City for the repairs of Schools and City Property damaged by the explosion.

The question of interest having arisen and after amicably discussing the reasons why it should be held in abeyance until the final settlement chairman Rogers consented to advance of the balance \$33,300 for the purposes specified upon the usual conditions of a formal resolution of the Board of Control and the receipt of the bonds of the City to cover the amount as collateral.

James J. Hopewell.
City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer is authorized to apply to the Relief Commission for a loan of the balance of the \$500,000.00 the City is authorized to borrow for explosion repairs to schools and City Property.

CABOT STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for water extension Cabot Street east of Agricola Street. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

GEORGE STREET AND BRAFTON STREET ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 18, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the request of John Burke, asking for the installation of a street lamp at the corner of George and Frafton Streets. A lamp is needed

Treasurer
Relief Commission
Engineer

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at this corner as the light on Grafton Street is not sufficient without it. I would recommend that it be installed.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

SEWERS.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 18, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Some time ago we advertised for tenders for sewer and water pipe trenching, but did not receive any. Since that time I have been following up contractors in an effort to get some of the work done. I have obtained prices from time to time, but in each case they were larger than I could recommend the acceptance of. Prices are still high, but I have obtained offers from Italian contractors living in the City for two sewers which are badly needed. Mr. Tomarelli, #57 Duke Street, offers to do the trenching on the Victoria Road sewer in accordance with the plans and specifications, at the rate of \$8.85 per foot, and will deposit ten percent as security. Mr. Novelli, Mr. Violent and Mr. A. Belle Donna offer to do the trenching for the sewer on Cambridge Street, according to the plan and specification, for \$8.75 per lineal foot. They offer to deposit ten percent as security.

*Engineer -
Council*

I would recommend that these tenders be accepted.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

The report is approved.

GARAGE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT - FRED PARSONS.

Fred Parsons appeared before the Board in response to a letter from the City Solicitor re the using of his property at the corner of North and Brunswick Street as a garage and asked what changes were necessary in order that he might maintain a garage on his premises. Referred to the City Engineer for report and recommendations.

Engineer -

CHARLES STREET AND CLIFTON STREET CATCHPIT.

Read report City Engineer, as follows:-

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January 21st, 1919

Halifax, Jan. 18, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached letter from Mr. E.L. Ward that a catch pit is necessary at the south-east corner of Charles and Clifton Streets. I would recommend that it be installed.

Engineer

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

JUBILEE ROAD SEWER EXTENSION.

Controller Finlay informed the Board that Captain Harrison, Jubilee Road had complained to him of sewerage conditions and asked that his property be connected with the sewer.

Engineer

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER BILL # 91 WINDSOR STREET JOSIAH SLAUN-
WHITE.

Read report Asst. City Engineer as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 16, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached letter from Josiah Slaughenwhite asking for a reduction in his water bill for the half year ending Mar. 1918, on the ground that the increased consumption was due to allowing the water to run to prevent freezing after the explosion. The amount of the bill is \$7.43

I find on referring to the records that the half yearly bills for some years at these premises vary from 86¢ to \$1.20 for each half year. The owner has evidently always been careful about wasting water, and for the reasons given in the report of the 6th of December 1918, I would recommend that the bill be reduced to that of a similar period the previous year.

*Engineer
Clerk & Works
Collection
Current*

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Approved.

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WATER BILL #222-228 GOTTINGEN STREET- OLD
LADIES HOME

Read report Asst. City Engineer as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 16, 1919

His Worship the Maor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering the water bill for premises 222-228 Gottingen Street occupied by the Old Ladies Home. It is claimed that the premises were unoccupied from Dec. 6/17 to June 1/18. The amount of the bills from Sep 20/17 to Feb 11/18 is \$24.74 and from Feb. to Sept. 1918 \$22.77. The half-yearly bills for this property previously were from \$29 to \$45 so that the bills under discussion are only about half as large as the usual ones. I find a very large consumption registered by the July reading amounting to about 154,000 gallons for the previous month. A note in the meter reader's book shows that water was being used for testing pipes. The meter has been tested and found to register correctly, and as the water was used and the bills are only about half what has usually been paid, I cannot recommend any reduction.

Cont Murphy

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Referred to ~~the~~ Controller Murphy for report.

WATER BILL #137 CUNARD STREET MRS. JANE MURPHY.

Read report Asst. City Engineer, as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 16, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control covering bill for water used at #137 Cunard Street and claimed to be excessive, that the bill, amounting to \$15.96 is for the period from Nov. 27/17 to Sep. 17/18. A reference to the records shows that from May a closet was each month reported wasting, and was not repaired until immediately before the reading was taken in November.

*Engineer ✓
Clerk ✓ works ✓
Collector ✓
Council ✓*

Under these circumstances, as the large consumption was due to preventable cause and carelessness in not having the plumbing repaired, I do not think any reduction should be made in the bill.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

On motion of Controller Murphy the bill is reduced to \$8.00

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WATER BILL # 236 MAYNARD STREET EST.
CATHERINE CONNOLLY.

Read report Assistant City Engineer, as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 16th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached bill for water used at #236 Maynard Street, that the amount of the bill is \$12.38 and the period covered is from March 2nd to Sep. 9th, 1918. The meter in these premises was not read between March and September. On three months of this period the reason returned was that the house was unoccupied, and another time the meter could not be got at. The meter had been ~~ee~~ tested and found to be registering correctly and there is no doubt that the water charged for, passed through it. I am unable to recommend any reduction in this bill.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Referred back to the City Engineer for further report.

BOAT LANDING PRIVILEGES.

The City Clerk informed the Board that the Clerk of Works desired to know the amount of rental to be charged William Robinson in the future for Boat Landing privileges now enjoyed by him at the foot of South Street for which he at present pays \$1.00 per annum and for which he is seeking a renewal.

Read extract Minutes Board of Control September 15th 1918, re application Mrs. Catherine Marr for renewal of Boat Landing and Ferrying privileges at the foot of Coburg Road.

The Clerk of Works is instructed to submit a report to this Board giving the names of all persons using street ends or other City Property on the water front of the Harbor or the North West Arm with the terms of lease and the amount of rental charged.

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Engineer

*Engineer
Clerk of Works*

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COLONEL BROUSSEAU ASSESSMENT.

His Worship the Mayor reports that Colonel Brousseau has complained of being assessed for personal property when he was out of town and not living in his house.

*Col Brousseau
City Assessor*

The Secretary is instructed to advise Colonel Brousseau to submit his claim to the City Court of Appeals from Assessment through P.J. McManus, City Assessor.

PATHWAYS ACROSS CITADEL HILL.

Controller Hines complained of the dangerous condition of some of the footpaths across the Citadel Hill and asked that they be repaired with ashes when the weather warrents. Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

Engineer

SOUTH KLINE STREET.

Controller Hines informed the Board that South Kline Street in the vicinity of #76 is in a bad condition. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer

FLOODING OF THE EGG POND.

On motion of Controller Murphy the Chief of the Fire Department and the City Engineer are instructed to flood the egg pond and a portion of the Common to provide skating facilities.

*Chief Fire Dept
City Engineer*

LOSS OF TAXES THROUGH GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP & ETC.

The City Clerk informed the Board that various

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items in the newspapers within the past few days induced him to state that he had made no record in the Minutes of the Board of Control Meeting of 16th inst. to the progress report then made by His Worship the Mayor in respect to the City's loss of taxes through Government Ownership of properties in the City. At that meeting His Worship verbally reported that on October 5th, 1918 he with the heads of the various Civic Departments had waited upon Hon. A. K. McLean, M.P and presented before him the City's claim in respect to this matter as will be found in the Minutes of this Board page 740 et seq. At that conference Mr. McLean had asked that the City prepare its data and statistics and submit them in concrete form and promised if this was done that he would urge the City's case before the Dominion Government.

His Worship submitted schedules prepared by the City Assessor showing the various properties taken over by the government with the amounts of Assessment and the loss of taxes to the City and read a draft of a letter for submission to the Government which he had prepared but which he desired to revise and make more comprehensive in some respects. Before completing his presentation of the City's case he desired to secure more complete tables from the Assessment Department.

The Secretary is instructed to supplement the minutes by noting therein the fact of His Worship's verbal report.

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ACCOUNTS.

Accounts chargeable to the City Health Board
are passed for payment, as follows:-

N.S. Tramway Co.	Light	\$41.76
A. Milne Fraser	Ribbon	1.00
John Starr Son & Co.	Flashlights	3.23
A.S. Austion	Cutlery	16.60
Mahones Ltd.	Towelling	7.15
Farguhar's Bros	plumbing etc.	230.62
" "	Elec. Work	7.20
Robert McLeod	Provisions	108.60
Michael Day	plumbing	7.70
P.J. Otta	Ice	12.50
" "	Ice	20.30
J.A. Kaizer	Fish	27.37
J.A. "	"	56.33
Northern Electric Co.	Elec. Fix.	18.00
Moirs Ltd.	Bread	30.25
Austen Bros.	Extinguisher	1.20
O.C. Warner	Milk	86.84
W. Lloyd Wood	Vaccine ptd.	142.00
V.G. Hospital	Exam. milk	500.00
Maritime Tel. Co.	Service	30.75
P.T. Shea	Eggs	21.67
Buckley Coal Co.	Coal	110.48
		<u>\$ 1375.55</u>

Council ✓

Influenza Hospital.

Cragg Bros.	goods	95.84
E.F. Sullivan	Whiskey	8.25
H'fx Steam Laundry	Laundry	331.12
" " "	"	20.45
Buckley Coal Co.	Coal	112.75
Ross Print	Printing	9.00
City Taxi	Service	10.00
Farquhar Bros.	Pump.	299.68
Cahill & Co.	Groceries	335.74
		<u>\$ 1222.33</u>

The Board adjourned.

L. J. Wray
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 23rd, 1919

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.15 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

North West Arm Sewer -Oakland Road to Chain Rock.
Great War Veterans Association Club House -
City Grant.
Sinking Funds Account.
Schools - Oxford Street and St. Joseph's Schools
Playgrounds.
Islesville Street Extension.
Preston and Mott Streets - Shop in Residential
District.
Road Making - Motion Picture Show.
Motor Truck Licenses.
Civic Votes for Women.
War - Returned Soldiers Receptions.
Quinpool Road Sewer.
Houses on Flinn Property North West Arm.
City Home Estimates 1919-20
City Home Fire Insurance.
City Home Maintenance of Non Resident Poor.
City Home Repairs and Improvements.
Heber Hartlen Account for snow Removal Robie Street.

NORTH WEST ARM SEWER - OAKLAND ROAD TO
CHAIN ROCK.

Read Report Assistant City Engineer, as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 23, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of control that the details of the extra work shown on the certificate are as follows:-

Manhole steps - Under the contract the City had to provide steps for the manholes. As we were out of these, I had the contractor make them in his own shop.

Marlborough Woods Landing - The location of the sewer at the North West Arm interfered with the steps and landing, which necessitated extra work to make this good.

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The Item - Wall and Filling at Station 35 to 40 was rendered necessary by the re-designing of a portion of the work at this point. It was found during an extremely high tide last year, that the precautions taken to protect the sewer at this point were not sufficient and the design had to be altered.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The report is approved.

The report of the Assistant City Engineer submitted at meeting 21st inst. recommending a final payment to the Cook Construction Co. of \$19,022.92 on contract for this section of the sewer is approved and the payment ordered to be made.

GREAT WAR VETERANS ASSOCIATION CLUB HOUSE
CITY GRANT.

Read letter Great War Veterans Association
as follows:-

Halifax, January 20th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Dear Sir,

Some eighteen months ago the Halifax Branch of the Great War Veterans Association approached your predecessor with the idea of obtaining financial aid from the City towards the provision of appropriate quarters. The then mayor promised his consideration but the events which happened shortly afterwards compelled our Association to drop the matter for the time being.

As you may have seen in the press, our Association is now endeavouring to raise \$30,000 for the purpose of paying for a house now under option to us and to provide a fund the interest of which will go towards the upkeep of our new home.

My object in writing to your worship is to ask if you consider the City can see its way clear towards lending us financial aid.

Our Association is made up of men who have served overseas during the present war and those who have served the Empire in other wars. Its object,

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to quote from its charter, is to preserve the memory and records of those who have suffered and died for the nation, to insure that proper provision is made for the care of the sick, wounded and needy amongst those who have served; to constantly inculcate loyalty to Canada and the Empire; to guard carefully the good name of our comrades overseas; to impress upon its members that they are to continue in the service of Canada as Citizens, and to serve in the same spirit of sacrifice and loyalty which they have shown to Canada and the Empire as soldiers; to establish, maintain and operate clubs, employment and information bureaus for the benefit promotion and advancement generally of returned soldiers.

Estimates

I feel our cause is a worthy one and I would ask your Worship's full consideration.

S.J. MacLennan, President.
A.N.J.

The petition is deferred for consideration with the yearly Estimates.

SINKING FUNDS ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Treasurer as follows:-

Halifax, Jan 23, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:

I beg to report on the funds on hand in the different Sinking Funds at this date in compliance with request of Board at meeting Jan. 21, 1919

Sinking Fund Schools	\$6394.27
" " 1902	6399.29
" " 1901	2464.58
" " 1898	1951.31
" " Silliker Car Co.	387.60
Total	<u>\$ 17,597.05</u>

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Filed.

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SCHOOLS - OXFORD STREET AND ST. JOSEPH'S
SCHOOLS - PLAYGOURD.

Moved by Controller Finlay seconded by Controller
Murphy that the City Treasurer report as to the
lease terms upon which the Trustees of the Sinking
Funds will offer to loan the City the sum of
\$3438.33 for purchase of land for enlarging St.
Joseph's School Playground, Motion passed. (See *Playground*
Minutes Board of Control January 21st, pp 1236,-1238)

Treasurer

ISLESVILLE STREET EXTENSION.

Read letter William Coolen re property re-
quired for the extension of Islesville Street as
follows

Halifax, Jan. 21, 1919

His worship the Mayor of Halifax,
Mr. Hawkins,
Dear Sir:-

The lowest amount I can take for the land
the City is taking for Islesville Street is \$900.00
nine hundred dollars. That is on a scale with the
prices of land selling around my place.

Mrs. J. Pritchard paid \$800.00 (eight
hundred dollars) for 40 ft x 75 ft and my land is
nearly double that what Mrs. J. Pritchard had to pay.

It is a reasonable amount and I cannot
take anything less and would have you to settle
this amount as soon as possible as I am building
a house and need the money as I would have to borrow
money at 6% which I do not think is fair when the
money is laying there and not drawing me any in-
terest.

Trusting you will have this settled as soon
as possible.

Mrs. William Coolen,
22 a Endicott Ave, Exh. Grounds, Hfx.

Engineer

Referred to the City Engineer for report, giving
the assessed value of the property required and
a plan showing all the properties involved in the
proposed street extension.

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PRESTON AND MOTT STREETS - SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read application Robert W. Thomas for permission to open a shop at the Corner of Preston and Mott Streets, in the residential district.

Referred to the City Engineer for report and to instruct Mr. Thomas that it will be necessary to advertise his application in the newspapers.

ROAD MAKING - MOTION PICTURE SHOW.

Read invitation the White Company, Manufacturers of Road Making Machinery, as follows -

Halifax, January 21st, 1919.

The White Company extends to the Mayor and Board of Control of Halifax a cordial invitation to be present at the Strand Theatre on Thursday afternoon at 4.15 p.m. when motion pictures of modern road making will be displayed.

Wm. McL. Robertson.

The invitation is accepted.

MOTOR TRUCK LICENSES.

Read application Lester Atkins for licenses for two motor trucks.

It is decided to grant the licenses if approved by the Chief of Police. Controller Finlay dissents.

CIVIC VOTES FOR WOMEN.

A delegation of ladies including Mrs. Senator Dennis, Mrs. A. Norris, Mrs. Clara B. Bligh, Mrs. A. I. Mader and Mrs. Stead and others waited upon the Board and urged the claims of women to the privileged of voting at Civic elections. Mrs. Dennis submitted that all women assessed or paying

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*Chief of Police
and ay clerk.*

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poll taxes should have the advantage of the franchise and that the qualifications for voting at Civic elections should be alike/both men and women.

Mrs. Norris read and submitted the following -

"The only three places in the Dominion of Canada where married women had no vote was Halifax, Sydney Glace Bay, therefore we ask the House to bring in a bill for the enfranchisement of women, as follows -

"Whereas the "Electoral Franchise Act " of 1918 made women ratepayers eligible to be on the Provincial Voters Lists and whereas this action made married women, as well as widows and spinster ratepayers eligible as voters to the municipal elections in incorporated towns and rural districts

Whereas the Charter of the City of Halifax and Sydney excludes married women ratepayers from their similar right to vote in its Municipal Elections.

Therefore be it resolved that the Halifax W.C.T. U ask that the Halifax Charter be amended forthwith, so as to enfranchise the married women ratepayers.

A. Norris,
Secretary W.C.T.U.

The Board unanimously agreed with the views of the delegation and decided to instruct the City solicitor to draft legislation conferring upon women possessed of like qualifications the right to vote upon the same terms as men.

The Board requested the delegation to strengthen their presentation of their case by submitting resolutions from the various womens organizations in the City. Mrs. Dennis promised that this would be done.

WAR - RETURNED SOLDIERS RECEPTIONS.

Read letter His Worship the Mayor to the City Clerk as follows:-

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*Solicitor
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Halifax, January 22, 1919

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,

Dear Sir,

If you remember some time ago I conferred with you regarding having a reception for our returned soldiers. I desire that you will make arrangements to have a reception in the Council Chamber once a month, to which returned soldiers and their friends will be invited; and you will arrange that light refreshments, to be provided by the City, will be served on these occasions. You might also have a number of certificates printed, to be presented to the men. It is my intention to have a short address given on each occasion, by some prominent citizen. I wish to have these receptions advertised in the daily papers.

By giving this matter immediate attention, I will expect that the first reception will be held on Thursday, February 6th.

A. C. Hawkins,
MAYOR.

Mrs. Clara B. Bligh, Lady Divisional Superintendent of the St. John Ambulance Brigade being asked if the St. John Ambulance Brigade would be willing to undertake the purchase and serving of refreshments at the proposed receptions to Returned Soldiers if the City paid for the refreshments stated that the Brigade would gladly do so.

The matter is left in the hands of His Worship the Mayor and Mrs. Bligh and the City Clerk to carry out in cooperation with the Citizens Committee on Reception to Returned Soldiers.

QUINPOOL ROAD SEWER.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

Halifax, Jan 15 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report that a contract has been made with Messrs. Luciano to take the work covered by Morrison & Company's contract at the same price as the original contractor tendered. They have

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AB Mitchell
Mayor
Mrs. Bligh

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deposited the sum of seven hundred dollars as security for carrying out the work.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

HOUSES ON FLINN PROPERTY NORTH WEST ARM.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

Halifax, Jan 15, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I have an application from Messrs. Luciano, who have the contract for Quinpool Road sewer, asking for the use of a house on the Flinn Property. On investigation by Mr. Johnston, he finds that there are five buildings on the Flinn property. The south house on Armdale Road is occupied by a man named Slaughenwhite. The next house north, the old Hazlewood Hospital, is unoccupied. The barn and coach house are occupied by Luciano, the north house on Armdale Road by Daschalino and the house on McDonald Street by a man named Beaver. Mr. Beaver states that he has been in the house for two years. We have no record in this office of any of these persons having been granted permission to occupy these buildings.

It would be of material assistance to Messrs. Luciano if they are able to have the buildings asked for, in connection with their work.

F.W.W.Doane.
CITY ENGINEER.

The City Engineer is authorized to fix a rental and lease to Messrs. Luciano the buildings required by them and to arrange for the payment of rentals by the other occupants or to dispossess them.

CITY HOME ESTIMATES 1919 - 20

The Estimates for the City Home for 1919-20 are read item by item and discussed with the Superintendent of the City Home.

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Engineer
Council ✓

Engineer ✓

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Also read applications from the following named employees of the City Home :- James O'Bryan, Secretary, John Ross, John H. Grant, John R. Hennigan, J.J.Lewington, John Smith, Charles Johns, Joseph Vaughan, N.A. Hamilton, A.A.Woodill.

Mr. Buchanan is instructed to submit a report on the applications with recommendations.

The Superintendent is also requested to submit a report with recommendations with respect to the application of Wm. Nazer for superannuation and the City Clerk is instructed to bring forward the physicians certificate accompanying Mr. Nazer's application. His Worship the Mayor states that in the meantime he will communicate with Mr. Nazer's Physician and report.

CITY HOME FIRE INSURANCE.

It is decided to eliminate from the City ZHome Estimates the appropriation for fire insurance and to include the necessary amount for this service in the fund for general insurance in City Property the Clerk of Works to be instructed accordingly.

CITY HOME-MAINTENANCE OF NON RESIDENT POOR.

It is unanimously decided to instruct the Superintendent of the City Home to charge the Province of Nova Scotia for the maintenance on the City Home of non resident poor whilst in the institution the same rate per day that the Province charges the City for maintenance of the City's poor patients in the Nova Scotia Hospital, the new rate to begin February 1st, 1919, Mr. Buchanan to immediately notify the Hon. Commissioner of Works and mines accordingly.

J H Buchanan
Mayor ✓

J H Buchanan
Clerk of Works
Estimates ✓

J H Buchanan ✓

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CITY HOME REPAIRS AND IMPROVEMENTS.

J. H. Buchanan
Solicitor
Estimates

It is unanimously decided to eliminate from the draft of City Home Estimates the below named items and to instruct the City Solicitor to draft legislation authorizing the borrowing of the several amounts on five year bonds viz -

Plumbing, south side of east wing	\$1300.00
Spouting	2800.00
Hospital Beds and Mattresses	1500.00
	<u>\$ 5600.00</u>

Total.

HEBER HARTLEN ACCOUNT FOR SNOW REMOVAL
ROBIE STREET.

City Clerk

The Secretary is instructed to present at next meeting the documents in connection with Heber Hartlens claim for \$40.00 for removal of snow from Robie Street last Winter.

The Board adjourned.

L. J. McLaughlin

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 28th, 1919

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.40 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Murphy, Finlay and Hines.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Hollis and South Streets - Sidewalks.
City Home - Flour and Groceries Tenders.
City Home - Superannuation William Nazer.
Preston Street - Drainage. at #144.
Preston and Mott Streets - Shop in Residential District.
Riot - May 25th, 1918 Accounts.
Market Building - Fire Insurance.
South Street and Oxford Street Sewers - Dalhousie College.
North Street and Dublin Streets Sidewalks.
Explosion - Full Reparation.
Public Schools - Notifications by Government.
Nova Scotia Tramways and Power Co. Ltd. Whiteway Lighting Rates.
Loan \$296,000 Eastern Securities Company.
Isolation Hospital.
Neglected Children et al Maintenance Accounts.
Sidewalks Constructed 1917.
Fire Alarm Boxes Military Hospitals.
Fire Hazard Gaiety Theatre Jacob Street.
City Market Restaurant.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
Sinking Funds - Bonds Falling Due.
Oiling of Streets.
Road Machinery.

HOLLIS AND SOUTH STREETS - SIDEWALKS.

The report of the City Engineer submitted at meeting 21st. instant re Hollis and South Street sidewalks is taken up for consideration.

The report is unanimously approved.

CITY HOME FLOUR AND GROCERIES TENDERS.

Tenders for supplies for the City Home for the three months ending April 30th, 1919 are received and opened as follows -

*Engineer
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Groceries.

Wentzells Ltd. as per Schedule

Flour

Wentzells Ltd.	Beaver Flour	\$11.90 per bbl.
Bunn & Co. Ltd.	" "	12.45 " "

The tenders are referred to the Superintendent of the City Home for report.

The Superintendent of the City Home having gone through the tenders verbally recommends the acceptance of the tenders of Wentzells Ltd for both Groceries and Flour. The recommendation of the Superintendent of the City Home is approved.

Supl City Home Council

CITY HOME - SUPERANNUATION WILLIAM NAZER.

Read report Superintendent City Home, as follows:-

Halifax, N.S. Jan. 27th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members of the Board of Control -
Gentlemen:

As directed I beg to submit the following report in re application of William Nazer for superannuation.

Mr. Nazer was appointed Night Nurse on the 6th day of October 1902 and was a most faithful and trustworthy employee. Early in June 1918 he strained himself in lifting a sick patient and he has been unable to report for duty since the 16th of June last. Acting on instructions from your body he received his salary in full up to October 31st last and has since been taken off the pay roll.

On Oct. 8th 1918 the Acting City Medical Officer reported as follows :

"Sir:-

As requested by you I have again visited Mr. Wm. Nazer an employee of the City Home and find that he is still suffering from pain and loss of power in the right hip which came on immediately

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"after lifting a patient in the City Home about the
"the middle of June.

Owing to his advanced age and the slowness of
"his recovery I very much doubt if he will ever be
"able to carry on his duties again as night nurse.

Yours truly,

(Sgd) W. Bruce Almon,

Acting City Medical Officer.

To.

J. H. Buchanan, Esq.,
Supt. City Home."

Under date of October 23rd, 1918 William D. Finn,
Esq., M.D., Mr. Nazer's Medical adviser, reported
as follows :-

"Mr. William Naxer has been under my professional
"care since June 16th 1918. He has been suffering
"from a severe strain and wrench of the muscles
"and ligaments of the right hip joint. "He is also
suffering from chronic changes in the tissues of the
"same joint. He is an aged man and the injuries
"sustained have practically incapacitated him
"from any heavy and strenuous work.

(Sgd.) William D. Finn."

Owing to his being over age at the time he
entered upon his duties, Mr. Naxer did not pay
into the Superannuation fund. His present age is
72 years.

Prior to receiving the injury he was very active
and was not at any time absent from his duties
through illness or otherwise.

Taking in view his 16 years faithful service
and the fact that he received injuries while
performing his duties it would seem that some pro-
vision should be made for Mr. Naxer.

J. H. Buchanan,
Superintendent.

P.S.

Mr. Naxer's salary was \$550.00 per year.

Approved

J. J. Hines,
Controller.

Referred to the Trustees of the Official's
Superannuation Fund for report as to the amount
Of superannuation Mr. Naxer would be entitled to
if he had contributed towards the superannuation
fund and also for report as to the amount to which

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he would be entitled if ~~he~~ such pension were commuted according to the actuaries table of mortality.

PRESTON STREET DRAINAGE AT # 144

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

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His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the letter from Mr. Cyril E Smith complaining of drainage conditions at #144 Preston Street.

The condition of this property has been complained of several times and it has been difficult for our superintendent and inspectors to determine where the water was coming from which finds its way into the basement. The plumbing inspector has tested the drainage systems of the houses in the neighborhood, but has been unable to find any leakage, though he used the peppermint test, which is very penetrating. He recently inspected the premises at #144 Preston Street again and found that there was still water in the basement. The tenant states that the water rises there during every rain storm.

The Plumbing Inspector recommends that all conductors be connected with the plumbing system; there are two in front and one in the rear; that all cleanout covers be put on tightly - some of them are at present taken off - and that the drain be lowered and a surface water trap installed with a back-water valve.

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This would carry off any water which finds its way into the basement and prevent the house from being damp. It is possible that the water comes from the downspouts, although it is by no means certain, but in any case, the remedy recommended by the Plumbing Inspector would prevent the water from being a nuisance or a menace.

F.W.W. Doane
City Engineer.

Referred to the City Health Board for action.

PRESTON AND MOTT STREETS -SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

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he would be entitled if ~~he~~ such pension were commuted according to the actuaries table of mortality.

PRESTON STREET DRAINAGE AT # 144

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

Jan. 28, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the letter from Mr. Cyril E Smith complaining of drainage conditions at #144 Preston Street.

The condition of this property has been complained of several times and it has been difficult for our superintendent and inspectors to determine where the water was coming from which finds its way into the basement. The plumbing inspector has tested the drainage systems of the houses in the neighborhood, but has been unable to find any leakage, though he used the peppermint test, which is very penetrating. He recently inspected the premises at #144 Preston Street again and found that there was still water in the basement. The tenant states that the water rises there during every rain storm.

The Plumbing Inspector recommends that all conductors be connected with the plumbing system; there are two in front and one in the rear; that all cleanout covers be put on tightly - some of them are at present taken off - and that the drain be lowered and a surface water trap installed with a back-water valve.

This would carry off any water which finds its way into the basement and prevent the house from being damp. It is possible that the water comes from the downspouts, although it is by no means certain, but in any case, the remedy recommended by the Plumbing Inspector would prevent the water from being a nuisance or a menace.

F.W.W. Doane
City Engineer.

Referred to the City Health Board for action.

PRESTON AND MOTT STREETS -SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read report City Engineer as follows:-

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Treasurer

Health Board

January 28th, 1919

Halifax, Jan. 27, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the application of R.W. Thomas for permission to open a shop at the corner of Preston and Mott Streets. This property is in the residential district. Mr. Thomas has advertised in three daily papers his intention to apply for permission. No objection has been lodged at this office.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Deferred until the next meeting of the Board.

RIOT - MAY 25th 1918 ACCOUNTS.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary as follows -

January
Halifax, 22nd/1919

The City Clerk,
Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the provincial Secretary to acknowledge your letter of 21st January, re account of Walter Lownds for repairs to the City Hall on account of Riot, and to say that the Government will use their good offices to secure the passage of Legislation necessary to legalize the payments on accounts due to the Riot, the account to date being shown as \$5,071.37 and \$1,300.00 for fire hose destroyed.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy provincial Secretary.

Filed.

MARKET BUILDING FIRE INSURANCE.

Read letter Halifax Shipyards Limited, as follows -

Halifax, January 23rd, 1919

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control,
City.

Dear Sirs:-

We are in receipt of a letter dated the 21st. inst., from the Clerk of Works enclosing, by your instructions, an account of Rainnie &

plc ✓

*Auditor -
Solicitor -
Council.*

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Keator, Limited, for additional insurance premium on the Market Building.

In view of the fact that we are paying the City a generous monthly rental for the use of this building, we do not think feel inclined to pay this bill as no mention of this was made at the time the lease was arranged. Therefore, we would respectfully request that you reconsider this matter, and arrange for the City to take care of the cost of this additional insurance.

HALIFAX SHIPYARDS LIMITED,
J.E. McLurg,
General Manager.

It is decided that the City assume liability for the additional fire insurance premium referred to, the Halifax Shipyards Limited to be notified accordingly.

SOUTH STREET AND OXFORD STREET SEWERS-
DALHOUSIE COLLEGE.

Read letter Governors of Dalhousie College as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 27/19

The Board of Control,
Sirs,

The Governors of Dalhousie College have decided to erect during the coming summer, for occupation October 1st, residences on South Street near the corner of Oxford Street, and on Oxford Street, about midway between Coburg Road and South Street, and hereby make application for the construction of sewers by the city to which these buildings may be connected, as per the accompanying plan.

The Board of Governors would like the privilege of having a representative appear before the Board of Control when this matter is being discussed.

H.B. Stairs,
Actg. Secy.

The Secretary is instructed to inform the Board of Governors, that the Board of Control will be pleased to hear them in respect to their appli-

Clark's works
Auditor
Engineer
J.E. McLurg

Letter Professor
A.S. McKenzie
p/c

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at meeting Thursday 30th inst. at 10,30 o'clock.

NORTH STREET AND DUBLIN STREETS SIDEWALKS.

Read report City Engineer, as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 24, 1919

His, Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on petition from C.A. Norton for the construction ~~side~~ of a concrete sidewalk on the north side of North Street and the east side of Dublin Street.

There are eighteen houses on the north side of North Street between Windsor and Dublin Streets, and the block of Dublin Street between North and Seaforth Streets, is built up also. All the houses are of a desirable class.

I would recommend that the sidewalks on Dublin Street be placed in the Sidewalk Schedule and that a concrete sidewalk with curb and gutter be constructed on the north side of North Street between Windsor and Dublin Streets and on the east side of Dublin Street between North and Seaforth Streets under the Permanent Sidewalk Act 1906.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

EXPLOSION - FULL REPARATION.

from

Read acknowledgment/Sir Thomas White, Acting

Prime Minister of Canada of the City's claim for full reparation for the City and the Citizens of Halifax for losses occasioned by the Explosion of December 6th, 1917, as follows:-

Minister of Finance, Ottawa,
January 22, 1919

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication ~~whiof~~ 16th instant which has been transmitted to me by the Chairman of the Halifax Relief Commission and to assure you that the representations made therein will have the most careful consideration of the Government.

T.White.

Filed.

*Engineer
Council*

*Council
35 Rogers*

January 28th, 1919

PUBLIC SCHOOLS - NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary, as follows :-

Halifax, Jan. 24, 1919

The City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Provincial Secretary to acknowledge your letter of the 18th inst., requesting that in future no less than one week's notice be given the City as to date of hearing before the Governor in Council in respect to matters relating to Public Schools.

I note that this request is called for as a result of the notice given for the hearing in connection with the purchase of lots of land for St. Joseph's and Oxford Schools. Section 893 of the City Charter, under which the purchase of these lots of land requires approval, does not call for any notification to either the City or the Mayor. Notwithstanding this, in all cases of late years at any rate, ample notice has been given the City that the School Board is appearing for approval of its contracts, and on looking over the files I find that the ^{average} length of these notices has been from two to three days.

In this particular case approval of the purchase was asked for about the middle of December and it was held up at the request of the City until certain information was provided. We ~~are~~ were advised that this information was supplied and a copy submitted to this office.

Notification was then given you as the time within which to exercise the option was expiring.

After the contract is approved it is necessary, under section 901, to notify the Mayor of the time and place appointed for the hearing when an order is required to issue debentures or stock to pay for the contracts. This requires a separate notice subsequent to the Order in Council approving of the contracts, and would mean that in any particular transaction of this nature a notice of two weeks would ~~be~~ require to be given.

I am directed to say that we will do what we can to meet your views as to notices, but it may be not unlikely that in some cases a meeting of Government can only be held under such circumstances at great inconvenience, and owing to that we could not bind ourselves to the giving of a week's notice to the Mayor.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Filed.

*Mayor ✓
all interested ✓
Municipal ✓
City Clerk ✓*

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NOVA SCOTIA TRAMWAYS AND POWER COMPANY LIMITED -
WHITEWAY LIGHTING RATES.

Read letter Board of Public Utilities as follows:-

Halifax, January 25th, 1919

Mr. F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer,
Dear Sir:-

The above matter will be considered at a sittings of the Board to be held at this office on February 5th, 1919 at 2.30 P.M.

L.B. Taylor,
Secretary .

The City Electrician is requested to report at Thursday's meeting as to the cost per kilowatt hour running the Whiteway Lighting.

The Board decides to attend the hearing before the Public Utilities Board on February 5th, at 2.30 P.M.

LOAN \$296,000.00 EASTERN SECURITIES COMPANY.

Read report City Treasurer covering letter Eastern Securities Company as follows:-

Halifax, January 25th, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

Attached please find letter from the Eastern Securities Co. Ltd. in reference to their option.

A formal note of its acceptance would be in order.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

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Halifax, January Twenty-fourth,
Nineteen nineteen.

Mrs. James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer,
Dear Sir:-

Regarding the option we have on approximately

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Engineer
Electrician
Members R/c

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\$296,000 City of Halifax 6% Debentures, (dated December 1st, 1918, maturing December 1st, 1952) until Legislation is granted at the next meeting of the Legislature.

We beg to advise you that we will exercise our option and take up the above mentioned Bonds when Legislation has been granted and the Bonds can be legally issued. Kindly confirm this understanding.

W. I. Macdougall,
Manager.

It is unanimously decided to accept the offer of the Eastern Securities Company and the City Treasurer is instructed to formally notify the Company of the city's acceptance ^{and} of the matter of arranging the loan is referred to the City Treasurer and the City Solicitor for attention.

Treasurer ✓
Solicitor ✓
Council.

ISOLATION HOSPITAL.

Read report City Health Board re Isolation Hospital, as follows-

Halifax, January 28, 1919

Mayor Hawkins,
and Members Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I am directed by the Chairman to call your attention to the fact that the transoms at the Isolation Hospital on Morris Street will not open or shut. Some of the panes of glass have been broken due to the woodwork shrinking. It is desirable that these matters be attended to at once.

Engineer ✓
Health Board

-H- J A Watters,
Secretary C.H.B.

Referred to the City Engineer to remedy the conditions complained of.

NEGLECTED CHILDREN ET AL MAINTENANCE ACCOUNTS.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary as follows -

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Halifax, 22nd 1919

The City Clerk,
Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Provincial Secretary to acknowledge your letter of 20th January, re Maintenance Neglected Children, and to say that the Government will use their good offices in endeavoring to secure legislation at the approaching session of the legislature authorizing the City to treat all in one charge or as a single appropriation certain named items in the estimates of the City for the year 1918-19, dealing with Reformatory Institutions and Neglected Children.

Aruthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Referred to the City Solicitor for attention.

SIDEWALKS CONSTRUCTED 1917

Read reports City Treasurer and City Engineer
as follows -

Halifax, Jan. 25th 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and
Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

Attached please find cost of abutters share of sidewalks laid during 1917 amounting to \$7403.11

Under Sec. 15 Acts 1906 this amount can be borrowed from the Bank in anticipation of the sums to be ~~attached~~ *collected*.

Authority is requested to negotiate this loan.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

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Halifax, Jan. 24th, 1919

City Treasurer,
City Hall,

Dear Sir,

I beg to notify you that the total amount which abutters will have to pay on sidewalks constructed during 1917 is \$7,403.11

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved, and the City Treasurer authorized to

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*Auditor -
Solicitor -
Council.*

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Treasurer ✓
Clerk of Works ✓
Engineer ✓

negotiate the necessary loan.

The Clerk of Works is instructed to report as to the cause of delay in sending out the sidewalk accounts for the year 1917.

FIRE ALARM BOXES - MILITARY HOSPITALS.

Read letter Col. W. E. Thompson, as follows -

Halifax, N.S. 27th, January 1919

Private Fire To-
Boxes.

Camphill Hos-
pital

Gogswell St. Hospital

Pine Hill Hos-
pital.

The Secretary,
Board of Control,
City Hall.

Dear Sir -

With reference to the marginally noted subject, would you please direct me as to the proper procedure in order to have Private Fire Alarm Boxes installed in the Military Hospitals, and the price of each Box installed, at your earliest opportunity.

W.E. Thompson, Colonel,
Commanding Military District No 6

✓
Letter Col W E
Thompson
Electrician ✓

Referred to the City Electrician for report.

FIRE HAZARD GAIETY THEATRE JACOB STREET.

Read joint report Chief of Fire Department and the Assistant Building Inspector as follows -

Halifax, Jan. 27th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

We beg to report that we have examined the building and find the conditions very dangerous. The boiler room is filled with the season's accumulation of ashes; the pipe is not properly protected under the stage and in fact every vacant space is filled with rubbish. The regulation asbestos curtain is not installed and in view of the public safety we would recommend that the license of this house be suspended until such time as the conditions complained of, have been remedied.

J.W. Churchill,
Chief Halifax Fire Department,
W.R. Fegan,
Asst. Building Inspector.

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The matter is referred to the City Solicitor to write to the Provincial Government, and the City Solicitor drafts the following letter which is forwarded to the Deputy Provincial Secretary -

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A.S. Barnstead, Esq.,
Deputy Provincial Secretary,
City.

Dear Sir:-

I am instructed by the Board of Control to forward for the consideration of the Provincial Government the enclosed report of the Chief of the Fire Department upon one of the theatres in the city.

As all the powers of the city in respect to theatres, except those relating to the construction of the buildings, have apparently been taken from the city by the Theatres Act, the Board feels that the Government is the proper authority to deal with such a condition of affairs as is disclosed by this report.

If the licensing powers formerly existing in the city were still existing, the city could, by ordinance, have made provision for the immediate closing of a theatre failing to take proper precautions against loss of life by fire. Presumably the Government has this power and can exercise it by cancellation or suspension of a license.

The Board respectfully suggests that this is a matter in which the interest of public safety requires prompt action.

L. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk.

CITY MARKET RESTAURANT.

Read report St. John Ambulance Brigade,

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Report - Market Committee.

Receipts:

Jan. 4	\$2.75	
11	2.75	
18	5.05	
25	3.04	\$13.59
Interest on Bank Acct.		22
Rebate Gas Bill from Poultry Show		70
		\$14.51

Expenses:

Gas Bill for Dec.	\$1.94	
Supplies	5.31	
Expenses	1.00	8.25
		\$ 6.26

Clara B. Bligh,
Lady Divisional Superintendent

Deputy Provincial Secretary

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FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician, re Fire Alarm Boxes, as follows -

Halifax, Jan. 28, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

The following Fire Alarm Boxes have been inspected and found in good working condition.
No. 32, 214, 31, 3, 61, 69, 67, 63, 6.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

SINKING FUNDS - BONDS FALLING DUE.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller

Treasurer
Council
Hines that the Trustees of the Sinking Funds be requested to reserve any monies on hand in the Sinking Funds ^{for} with the purpose of retiring Bonds falling due July 1st, 1919. Motion passed, Controller Finlay dissenting.

OILING OF STREETS.

Engineer
Mr. Robinson and Mr. Fricker representing the Union Supply Company and the White Motor Company appeared before the Board urging the City to purchase Motor Trucks, Motor Street Oilers and other road machinery. The cost of the Motor Street Oiler would be about \$10,000 f o b Halifax. Referred to the City Engineer for report with recommendations, as to the most desirable ^{oiling} equipment. *that the City should*

procure
ROAD MACHINERY.

Engineer
The City Engineer is requested to report with recommendations as to what road machinery ^{in his opinion} he thought it ^{is} advisable the City should obtain.

The Board adjourn ed.

L. J. W. Wray
CITY CLERK.

"COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 29th, 1919

The Board of Control met this morning at 11.20 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines Finley and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

County Liquor Vendor J.B. Mitchell.
Explosion - City Health Board Accounts.

COUNTY LIQUOR VENDOR J.B. MITCHELL.

There were also in attendance E.S. Tracey, Temperance Act Inspector, F.H. Bell, City Solicitor and Frank Hanrahan, Chief of Police.

Read letter C.E. Smith, Warden of Halifax County to His Worship the Mayor as follows -

Halifax, Jan. 28, 1919

A.C. Hawkins, Esq., M.D.,
Mayor of the City of Halifax.

Dear Sir:

One of the officers of the Municipality, Mr. J. Burton Mitchell, Liquor Vendor under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act appointed as such by the Municipal Council of the Municipality of this county to vend liquors at 584 Barrington Street in this City for medicinal &c. purposes has complained to me as Warden of the Municipal Council that Mr. E.S. Tracey, Inspector under the said Act for the City is unwarrantably and unduly interfering with him in the discharge of his duties, by setting on foot vexatious prosecutions against Mr. Mitchell for alleged violations of the said Act.

The place of business at which Mr. Mitchell discharges his duties as such vendor namely, 584 Barrington Street in this City was designedly located as such by a regulation of the Municipal Council, along with other regulations, controlling the performance of his duties. It seems that a prosecution started in the City Police Court last June by Mr. Tracey against Mr. Mitchell for an alleged violation of the said Act in vending liquors at that place, is now before the Supreme Court of Canada on appeal

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from the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia for a Writ of Prohibition to test this very point as to whether or not the appointment of Mr. Mitchell's place of business by the Municipal Council in the City is good and valid.

I would submit in view of this that the Inspector and police force, who are under your control might reasonably await the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada before starting any more prosecutions against Mr. Mitchell which will only involve this officer in going over the same ground again. This appeal will be decided at Ottawa within the next five or six weeks at the February Sittings of the Court at the very farthest and if it is adverse to the regulation of the Municipal council so locating Mr. Mitchell at 584 Barrington Street, I undertake that our officer will bow to the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada and the Council will locate him for the rest of his term of office outside the bounds of the City.

I respectfully submit under these circumstances that the City in the interests of good Government should see that the officers of the Municipality are not interfered with while their cases before the Courts, and while they are in discharge of their duties.

I am given to understand by Mr. Mitchell that Mr. Tracey, with two officers, called at his place of business today with the intention of seizing property there and it might not be impossible that any damages resulting to our officer for which the Municipality would be liable and obliged to compensate him, should in turn be repaid to the Municipality by the City.

Asking your early action in the matter, I am,

Charles E. Smith,
Warden.

In answer to questions Mr. Tracey states that he was not in Mr. Mitchell's premises yesterday. He tried the door but found it locked. No prosecution has been brought against Mr. Mitchell other than the one started last June which is still pending final decision at Ottawa.

The City Solicitor advises the Board that the City would be in no way liable in damages for any bona fide action taken by the Inspector in the genuine performance of his duty.

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The City Solicitor dictates the following letter which is forwarded by the City Clerk to the Warden Smith -

Halifax, January 29th, 1919

C.E. Smith, Esq.,
Warden Municipality of Halifax.
Sir,

The Board of Control of the City of Halifax instructs me to acknowledge receipt of your letter in his matter. Immediately upon receipt of the letter His Worship the Mayor called a meeting of the Board of Control at which Mr. Tracey City Inspector and the Chief of Police were required to be present. As the Chief of Police has been recently confined to his house by illness he was unable to give the Board any information respecting the matter. Mr. Tracey informed the Board that no further proceedings had up to the present time been begun against Mr. Mitchell, and that statements as to the attempted seizure of his property by himself and members of the Police Force were evidently made under some misapprehension as to facts.

As to further proceedings, the Board does not feel that it would be justified or even authorized to instruct Mr. Tracey not to institute proceedings in respect to any matter which he believed a violation of the law had been committed.

As to the intimation in your letter of the possibility of the City being liable for damages the Board is advised the City cannot under any circumstances be held liable for the action of the Inspector in honestly though mistakenly carrying out the duties imposed upon him by law.

L. Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk.

EXPLOSION - CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

The City Health Board accounts amounts to \$3,383.32 passed August 8th 1918 chargeable to Explosion account and still remaining unpaid because the Relief Commission refused to recognize them as properly chargeable to Explosion Relief are now passed for payment out of Health Board appropriation. (See Board of Control Minutes Aug. 8/18 p. 491)

The Board adjourned.

L. Fred Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

Warden C.E. Smith ✓

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minutes
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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10.15 present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

War -Repatriation of Troops at Halifax.
Fire Risk Inspection of Buildings.
Explosion - Refuse at #180 Gottingen Street.
Explosion - Policeman David C. Wilson.
Schools - Playgrounds Loan.
City Home - Superannuation William Nazer.
Sherwood and Patricia Streets Water Pipe Trenching.
Willow Street Sewer.
Fire Insurance City Home.
Boat Landing and Ferrying Privileges.
Chebucto Road.
Brunswick Street Extension to Queen Street Robinsons Property.
Preston and Mott Streets - Shop in Residential District.
Heber Hartlen Account for Snow Removal Robie Street.
City Pirson Repairs.
Provincial Exhibition.
Explosion - City Health Board Accounts.
Gardens Accounts.

WAR - REPATRIATION OF TROOPS AT HALIFAX.

Read leading editorial Halifax Chronicle of this mornings issue, as follows -

Halifax, N.S. Thursday 30, 1919

UNFAIR TO HALIFAX.

The Toronto Globe prints a cable despatch from a staff correspondent who is now in England, which is of special interest and particular concern to Halifax. The Globe correspondent states that the Imperial authorities have withdrawn the steamers Olympic, Aquitania and Mauretania from the Halifax service. The Mauretania, however, had not been employed regularly in transporting troops to Halifax, but the other two great liners have been engaged as transports for our returning soldiers, and their withdrawal from this service will naturally interfere seriously with Canada's plans of demobilization.

The reason alleged by the Imperial authorities,

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according to the Globe's correspondent is that "Halifax is an unsuitable port of landing for these large vessels during the winter." It is not stated in what particular Halifax is unsuitable. The reason, as the Globe says in protesting against the change, is not satisfactory. In its editorial comment upon this remarkable statement the Globe says:

"Halifax is one of the largest and finest Harbors in the world, open all the year round, with such a depth of water that even these huge vessels have no difficulty in steaming direct to their piers. It is understood that they will be placed on the New York route and that smaller ships will be substituted. This will be a gross injustice to our soldiers who went to the front at the opening of the war and have had four years and more of it. It is only a few weeks ago that the Northland, which was not considered good enough for American soldiers, was put on the Halifax route, and the complaints of our soldiers showed that it was not fit for the service. The change does not appear to be necessary, because half of the interned German ships have just been allotted to the United States. The ships so allotted aggregate 450,000 tons, and include the giant Hamburg-American liner Emperor of 51,969 gross tons, a sister ship of the Leviathan, already in that service. In view of the slur on the port of Halifax and the injustice to our returning soldiers, the Government should make a protest immediately against the transfer of these commodious vessels."

This is a matter which so vitally concerns Halifax that the reason for the change alleged by the Imperial authorities should not be allowed to go unchallenged. Halifax has been the great port of departure for the soldiers of the Canadian Expeditionary Force. Hundreds of thousands of men have been shipped from this port on the greatest liners in the British Merchant marine. They have been handled without mishap or the slightest difficulty of any sort. Nowhere on either side of the Atlantic has quicker despatch been given troopships, or has the movement of troops been carried on more smoothly and expeditiously.

The facilities for handling the returning soldiers at Halifax are ample. We have a pier which, in equipment, position and facilities for quick landing of troops, is not excelled in America. During the past week both the Olympic and the Aquitania, the two greatest merchantmen flying the British flag, have landed 11,000 soldiers at it, and all were handled without the

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slightest difficulty and with the minimum delay to the steamers. Indeed they are able to manoeuvre in Halifax harbour and to dock at Pier Two with greater facility than they can in New York harbor, and to say that Halifax is an unsuitable port of landing for these large steamers is absolutely preposterous.

Of course if the Olympic and the Aquitania and the Mauretania are released by the Admiralty, we cannot govern their movements, but at least the ground given for the change is not only detrimental to the interests of, but absolutely unjust to the port of Halifax. And, when it is so desirable and imperative to bring our troops home from Europe as quickly as possible. the Government has been derelict in allowing these fine ships of large passenger capacity to be taken away from the Canadian Service at this important juncture. At all events the reflection upon the port of Halifax must not be allowed to go without vigorous protest.

On motion of Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines it was decided to cable to Sir. Robert Borden, Premier of Canada, c/o the High Commissioner for Canada, London England, and the Hon. A.K. MacLean, M.P. for Halifax, Acting Prime Minister at Ottawa, protesting against the insinuation that Halifax is an unsuitable port of landing for large steamships during the winter and to urge that in the interest of returning Canadian Soldiers that the sailings to Halifax of the Steamships Olympic, Aquitania and Mauretania with repatriating troops be continued.

H.R. Silver, president and G.W.C. Hensley and E.A. Saunders representing the Board of Trade appeared before and addressed the Board in connection with the above matter contending that it is not fair to returning Canadian troops that they should be brought back to Canada in slow sailing eight or nine day boats instead of in the fast moving four

✓
Cable
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Sir Robert Borden
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Telegrams
Hon A.K. MacLean

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or five day boats such as the Olympic and Aquitania.

The following cablegrams and Telegrams are forwarded by the Board of Control and the Board of Trade:

Halifax, N.S. Jan. 30, 1919

Sir Robert Borden,
Dominion London.

Report here to effect Imperial authorities have withdrawn services Olympic, Aquitania and Mauretania, from this Port. The reported grounds given being the unsuitability of handling these large vessels here during Winter. Such an assertion so serious and unjust as to require immediate explanation.

Past experience answers this assertion and every consideration warrants the continuance of Halifax as Port, particularly convenience of returning men.

Public feeling here very much aroused, demands prompt action and full explanation of situation.

BOARD OF CONTROL.

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Halifax, January 30, 1919

Sir Robert Borden,
Dominion London.

Reported Olympic Aquitania and boats this type withdrawn from service carrying returned men to Canada and placed New York service alleging unsuitability this port stop. We protest against such insinuation which cannot be substantiated stop. People at large feel if this port correct great injustice will be done our men if all returned on smaller and slower boats stop Fear great dissatisfaction will arise among men themselves and public opinion here is that these boats should be continued in Canadian troop service.

BOARD OF TRADE.

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Halifax, January 30, 1919

Hon. A. E. MacLean,
Hon. Minister of Militia.
Ottawa.

Reported that Olympic Aquitania and similar ships being withdrawn Canadian troop service and sent New York alleged reason that Admiralty consider this port unsuitable such boats stop. We protest vigorously against such insinuation they have operated here successfully during past four years stop Our Canadian men are entitled to best ocean service that can be had and should not be subjected to long winter

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Section 32 Chapter 60, 1918.

The City Solicitor reads to the Board section 801-803 of the City Charter relating to the maintenance of buildings in safe condition.

*Solicitor
Engineer
Chief Fire Dept
Council*

The City Engineer is requested to report with recommendations as to amending the existing legislation with regard to safety to life in Theatres.

At suggestion of His Worship the Mayor the Chief of the Fire Department is requested to make progress reports on the Fire Departments inspection of buildings in the City.

EXPLOSION - REFUSE AT #180 GOTTINGEN STREET.

*Alb Godwin
Engineer
Chief of Police*

His Worship the Mayor complained of a heap of rubbish in front of #180 Gottingen Street.

Referred to Alderman Godwin and the City Engineer for attention.

The Chief of Police is instructed to see that the owner of the property either has the rubbish removed or a light maintained at it at night.

EXPLOSION - POLICEMAN DAVID C WILSON.

Read report Chief of Police as follows -

Halifax, January 29th, 1919

The Board of Control
Gentlemen:-

Policeman David C.L. Wilson, was severely injured in the Explosion of December 6th, 1917. He is in consequence of his injuries absolutely incapacitated for further Police duty. In August 19 18, he completed his 25 years of Police Service and is therefore entitled to his pension from the Police Superannuation Fund. In the interest of the Department and of Policeman Wilson, I respectfully request that the Board of Control deal with this case.

Frank Hanrahan,
Chief of Police.

January 30th, 1919

Referred to the Chief of Police for a conference with Policeman Wilson and for further report.

Chief of Police

SCHOOLS - PLAYGROUNDS LOAN.

Read report City Treasurer covering draft form of resolution, as follows -

Halifax, Jan 28, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I am directed by the Trustees of the Sinking Funds to offer to loan the City of Halifax the following sums required viz:- \$3438.33 for the purchase of land for enlarging St. Joseph's school playground, and \$6000. for enlarging the Oxford St. School grounds.

The purchase price to be 101.63 of par the rate of interest 6% per annum, the date of stock Jan. 1st, 1919 and to be repayable July 1st 1940 to the Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905.

James J. Hopwell,
City Treasurer.

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WHEREAS the Trustees of the Sinking Funds have agreed to loan the City of Halifax an amount sufficient to produce the sum of \$3438.33 required to pay for land for enlarging the playgrounds of St. Joseph's School and the sum of \$6000 for enlarging the grounds of Oxford St. School under an order in Council of the Government of Nova Scotia dated January 15th, 1919.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the said offer be accepted and that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to issue to the Trustees of the Sinking Funds a stock certificate of the Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905 for the said amounts, the purchase price being 101.63 of par the rate of interest 6% per annum the date of said certificate January 1st, 1919 and to be repayable July 1st, 1940.

Consideration of the report and Resolution is deferred pending a report from the Trustees of the Sinking Funds on the Board's resolution passed January 28th, recommending that any monies on hand in the Sinking Funds be reserved for the purpose of retiring bonds falling due July 1st, 1919.

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Controller Finlay's motion for the adoption of the report of the Treasurer is not seconded.

Treasurer
Royal Bank
Council

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that the City Treasurer be authorized to negotiate with the Royal Bank of Canada for a loan of \$9,438.33 for payment for land to be acquired for enlarging the playgrounds of St Joseph's School and Oxford School. Motion passed unanimously.

CITY HOME - SUPERANNAUTION WILLIAM NAZER.

Read report City Treasurer, as follows -

Halifax, N.S. Jan 29, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

I beg to report on behalf of the Trustees of the Official Superannuation Fund, in regard to this matter as outlined by the Clerk.

Age of applicant 72 years, Service 16 years average 3 years \$470 per annum. If he were a member of the superannuation fund he would be entitled to 16 of \$470 - \$150.40 per year.

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In re value of this amount.

The expectation of life in this case would be 7.6 years, therefore \$150.40 payable yearly @ 5% would amount to \$1366.38 and the present worth of \$1366.38 would be ~~\$950.00~~ \$950.00

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Treasurer
Auditor
Solicitor
Council

It is decided to pay Mr. Nazer half pay from November 1st, 1918 to April 30, 1919.

The City Solicitor is instructed to draft legislation providing for a superannuation allowance of \$150.40 per year fro Mr. Nazer from May 1st, 1919.

L.H. Buchanan

SHERWOOD AND PATRICIA STREETS WATER PIPE TRENCHING.

Read report Assistant City Engineer, as follows -

Jan, 28, 1919

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His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

CERTIFICATE # 1

I beg to recommend payment to the Alcorn Construction Company of the sum of three hundred dollars and seventy cents (\$300.70) on account of their contract for excavating a trench for water pipe in Sherwood and Patricia Streets -

Estimated value of work done	\$1338.54
Less 15%	200.78
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	1137.76
Paid on certificates 1 to 3	837.06
Bal. recommended	\$300.70

Check work

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The account is passed for payment.

WILLOW STREET SEWER.

Read report Assistant City Engineer as follows-

Jan, 30, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Certificate #2

I beg to recommend payment to Peter Mancuso of the sum of one thousand two hundred and eighty dollars and ninety-nine cents (\$1280.99) on account on his contract for excavating a sewer trench in Willow Street -

Estimated value fo work done	\$3663.05
Less 15% retained	549.46
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	3113.59
Paid on certificate #1	1832.60
Bal. recommended	\$ 1280.99

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The account is passed for payment.

FIRE INSURANCE CITY HOME.

Read report Clerk of Works as follows -

Jan. 30, 1919

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen-

In feference to your direction that this Department assume the payment of insurance on City Home property, I understand that it has been the custom to insure for a period of three years, paying two years' premium in one payment to cover said period of three years. The City's present contract for insurance payable from this Department has been

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for a three year's term. The premium divided into three annual payments. I would like to have your instructions as to whether provision shall be made in the estimates for the ensuing year for payment of one year's premium, or whether we shall provide for two payments, insofar as the City Home is concerned.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Clerk of Works

The report is referred back to the Clerk of Works for report as to the City's system of paying insurance premiums on City Property fire risks.

BOAT LANDING AND FERRYING PRIVILEGES.

Read report Clerk of Works as follows -

Jan. 30, 1919

His Worship the Mayor and Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

I beg to report on Minute of Board of Control in reference to boat landing privileges, as follows --

PUBLIC LANDING FOOT OF MORRIS STREET.

Occupied by the Dominion Coal Company. Originally held on a twenty-five years' lease which expired in 1915. Continued since at same rate of \$1.00 per year.

FERRY WHARF.

Held by Dartmouth Ferry Commission. Rental 1320.00 per year. Expires in 1937.

NORTH FERRY.

Lease held by George Evans - \$1.00 per year. Expires March 1st, 1920.

HANOVER STREET LANDING.

Formerly held by Charles Duggan. Lease expired. Taken over by Halifax Shipyards Ltd.

FLOAT AND SHED FOOT OF COBURG ROAD.

Held by Mrs. Catherine Mahar - Rental \$1.00 per year. Expires Sept. 10, 1919.

LANDING FOOT OF SOUTH STREET - FLOAT AND SHED.

Held by William Robinson. Under agreement made May 1st, 1917 Mr. Robinson was instructed to pay on or before May 1st, 1918 the sum of ten dollars as rental to that date, which has been complied with. The other condition states that thereafter he shall pay such rental as may be fixed by the Board of Control I have no knowledge of this having been done.

LANDING FOOT OF OAKLAND ROAD.

Lease now held by Joseph Boutilier, to run ten years from April 30, 1914 rental \$1.00 per year. Payable for full term in advance. The amount stipulated has been paid.

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

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Consideration of the report is deferred.

CHEBUCTO ROAD

Read report City Engineer, as follows -

Jan, 28, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the complaint of G.K. Butler and W.D. Piercey respecting the condition of Chebucto Road. Mr. Butler complains of the condition of the road at Armdale Bridge and Mr. Piercey makes a similar complaint and also respecting the condition of the road near Washington Road and for a short distance west of that road.

There is a heavy run of water down Chebucto Road principally on the north side. During the construction of the railway and partly in consequence of the construction of buildings near Quinpool Road, the flow of water has been obstructed so that it ran over the road and did a good deal of damage. Owing to the quantity of water it has always been difficult to prevent this road from being washed out, and until the sewer is constructed, we shall probably continue to have trouble with it. Some relief might be obtained by carrying a portion of the flow on the south side of the road. We have done some temporary work to try to keep the water off the road, but in the Spring it will be necessary to reconstruct a narrow road from Quinpool Road up through the railway bridge and some distance beyond it.

The road should be constructed of comparatively narrow width and well crowned, so that the water will be confined to the gutters.

The bad spot in the road near Washington Road formerly North Kline Street, is, as Mr. Piercey suggests, caused by the frost heaving it, and it will probably be necessary to open a drain through the rock, so that the water will not collect at that point. Further west on the flat east of William Walker's, the culvery was choked so that the water remained on the road. The culvert was should be enlarged so that there will be no difficulty in getting rid of the water which collects at that point. It has been cleared temporarily, but the gutters on this road were not cleared out in 1918 and the road is in bad condition.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Copies of the report are ordered to be forwarded to G.K. Butler and W.D. Piercey.

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B/C ✓

G.K. Butler ✓
W.D. Piercey ✓

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BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION TO QUEEN STREET -
ROBINSONS PROPERTY.

Read letter Henry, Rogers, Harris and Stewart,
as follows -

Jan. 29th, 1919

His worship Mayor Hawkins,
and the Members of the Board
of Control.
Gentlemen:-

Some time ago a piece of land belonging to Robinsons, Limited, was expropriated for the purpose of the Brunswick Street extension. On account of the Street Extension Fund for the previous year having been exhausted the amount of compensation, namely \$1,000.00, could not be paid.

The Canada Life Assurance Company held a mortgage on the whole of the Robinson property and undertook to give a release on payment of the whole of the compensation money. A partial release was thereupon prepared and submitted to the City for approval. Through some oversight this partial lease was recorded by the City Engineer or City Solicitor without the money having been paid. Our Mr. Stewart appeared before the Board of Control and requested that provision be made at the earliest possible moment for payment of the compensation with accrued interest and was informed that the matter would be given attention as soon as possible after the new year.

Our purpose in writing you now is to request that the matter be taken up again and that a cheque for the amount with accrued interest be forwarded to us at your very earliest convenience. The interest on the Canada Life mortgage runs at seven per cent and Mr. Bell informed us that there would be no objection on the part of the City to pay this interest.

We are sorry to bother you again about this matter but our clients are inclined to regard us in fault for having permitted the release to go out of our possession.

HENRY ROGERS & CO.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Finlay that the City Treasurer be authorized to negotiate with the Royal Bank of Canada for a loan of \$601.15 for the purpose of paying Robinsons Limited the amount due for land purchased for the extension of Brunswick Street through to Queen Street.

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Treasurer ✓
Royal Bank ✓
Auditor ✓

The said amount to be repaid after May 1st, out of the 1919-20 fund for street widening. Motion passed.

PRESTON AND MOTT STREETS - SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read report City Engineer, as follows -

Halifax, Jan 27, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the application of R.W. Thomas for permission to open a shop at the corner of Preston and Mott Streets. This property is in the residential district. Mr. Thomas has advertised in three daily papers his intention to apply for permission. No objection has been lodged at this office.

Engineer ✓

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

The City Engineer is authorized to issue ^{the} a permit applied for by Mr. Thomas.

HEBER HARTLEN ACCOUNT FOR SNOW REMOVAL
ROBIE STREET.

Clark & Works ✓
Engineer ✓
Heber Hartlen ✓
Auditor ✓

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that Heber Hartlen be paid out of Internal Health Account his claim of \$40.00 for removal of snow from Robie Street last Winter. Mr. Hartlen to be notified that in future no such claim will be recognized without an order in writing from the City Engineer. Motion passed, Controller Finlay dissents.

CITY PRISON REPAIRS.

Engineer ✓
Governor City ✓
Prison ✓

On motion of Controller Hines the City Engineer is requested to submit an estimate of cost of the renewing floors and other repairs required at the City Prison.

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PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

Read letter Hon. E.A. Armstrong, president
Provincial Exhibition, as follows -

Halifax, Jan. 29th, 1919

A.C. Hawkins, Esq.,

Mayor,
City of Halifax.

Dear Sir,

As far as the provincial Exhibition Commission is concerned, I think I am safe enough in advising that no Exhibition will be held under its auspices, in the City of Halifax in 1919

H
E.A. Armstrong,
President.

Filed.

EXPLOSION - CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Health Board re cost of
maintenance of Relief Commission patients at the
Smallpox Hospital, as follows :-

Halifax, January 29th 1919

City Clerk,

Dear Sir,

In compliance with your verbal request for a statement showing the amount due to the City Health for the board and nursing attendance of Reconstruction patients at the small-pox Hospital, I beg to submit for your information the following :

Forty men were removed from Reconstruction camps.
The total number of days treated in the Hospital

776.

Regular rate charged, \$15.00 per week.

Total amount due on this basis \$1,694.52

I might say that the Relief Commission, through the late Secretary R.P. Bell, admitted at a conference the writer and the Chairman of the Health Board had a short time ago about an adjustment of the explosion account, that the above statement was correct.

Chairman Rogers refused to admit liability of the amount of the explosion account and decided to refer to their soliditor the question as to whether the Relief Commission was liable for the Board and nursing attendance of relief workmen in the small-pox Hospital.

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In a recent letter their soliditor stated that the Commission was not legally bound to pay.

Our basis of settlement was as follows:

~~The Relief Commission~~ Fifty-one men in hospital
1,054 days @ \$15.00 per week \$2,355.56

The Relief Commission only admit 776 days treatment for men, reaching this basis on the number of men taken from their camps, whereas our figures are reached on the number of reconstruction men taken from camps and boarding houses.

Under any conditions the Relief Commission, it would seem, are morally, if not legally bound, to pay \$1,694.52 There seems no good reason why our figures of 1,054 days should not be accepted as a basis of settlement as the care and treatment of any one of their workmen, whether boarding outside of the camp, or not was a convenience and a help to them.

We recently wrote the Relief Commission as follows :

"Will you inform us whether workmen hired by you paid sick dues ?

The following reply was received:

"In answer to your letter of January 28th I am directed to say that we levied no sick dues whatever against our workmen at any time. In addition, as you know, we provided an emergency Hospital accommodation in the building on the Deaf and Dumb property This undoubtedly greatly relieved the pressure on the City hospital accommodation."

I might say that we took care of several cases of small-pox from this Hospital, thus enabling the Commission to look after other infectious cases without any trouble. The fact that they maintained a hospital for infectious cases would seem to be an argument in favor of our contention that they should pay for the maintenance of small-pox cases in our hospital.

A.C. Pettipas,
Asst. Secretary.

It is again decided that the accounts passed August 8th, 1918 \$3,383.32 chargeable to City Health Board Explosion accounts, be paid out of Health Board appropriation.

PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNT.

The following accounts chargeable to Public Gardens ~~accoun-~~ are passed for payment;

*City Health
Board
Auditor*

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W.P. Meyers	1.50
Craig Bros.	Plumbing	1.00
Melvin & Co.	Hardware	16.55
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	9.00
Roche & Co.	Painting	90
M.F. Burns	Plumbing	22.70
S.C. Thompson	Feed	22.40
Telephone Co.	Phone	5.30
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		\$79.35

Policeman John Weston.

POLICEMAN JOHN WESTON The Board adjourned.

Read report Deputy Chief of Police Palmer, against Policeman John Weston, as follows -

Halifax, January 10, 1919

To the Chief of Police,

Dear Sir -

For your information I have to report Policeman John Weston for being in a drunken condition while on duty at the Police Station Jan 10th, 1919 to which I ordered him home considering his unfit for further duty that day.

W.A. Palmer,
Dept. Chief of Police.

Policeman Weston admitted the charge and submitted as an excuse that he has just arrived back from active service overseas suffering from wounds and shellshock.

L. J. Mowbray
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR, Chief of Police verbally re

if Weston takes the pledge he be given a chance with the understanding that if he commits himself again within a year that he be dismissed.

Approved.

L. J. Mowbray
CITY CLERK.

HAYS.

MAYOR'S OFFICE,

CITY HALL, JANUARY 30/1919

The Board of Control met this day at 1.15 o'clock,
present His Worship the Mayor and Controller Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Policeman John Weston.

POLICEMAN JOHN WESTON.

Read report Deputy Chief of Police Palmer, against
Policeman John Weston, as follows -

Halifax, January 10, 1919

To the Chief of Police,
Dear Sir -

For your information I have to report
Policeman John Weston for being in a drunken condition
while on duty at the Police Station Jan 10th, 1919 to
which I ordered him home considering him unfit for
further duty that day.

Wm. E. Palmer,
Deputy Chief of Police.

Policeman Weston admitted the charge and
submitted as an excuse that he has just arrived
back from active service overseas suffering from
wounds and shellshock.

The Chief of Police verbally recommends that
if Weston takes the pledge he be given a chance
with the understanding that if he commits himself
again within a year that he be dismissed.

Approved.

MAYOR.

L. Fred Munro
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

February 1st, 1919

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.30 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines and Murphy.

WATER CONSTRUCTION ACCOUNT.

Read account Works Department \$681.40 chargeable to Water Construction. The account is passed for payment.

Library Building.
Fire Insurance City Hall.
Schools - Vancouver - 100 St. and St. Joseph.
Explosion - 100 St. and St. Joseph.
Loss from Electric Powerlines Company.
Fire Alarm Bell.
Fire Alarm Bell at North West.
City Police Station.
War - 100 St. and St. Joseph.
Sewer Laying and Sewerage Privileges.
Billiard Room at 100 St. and St. Joseph.
Sewer Bell.
Market Building Fire Insurance.
John Hartman Refrigration.
City Police Station.
Damage to Residential District North West.
Police Department North West.
Loss - 100 St. and St. Joseph - 100 St. and St. Joseph.
Sewer Bell.
Tuberculosis Hospital - 100 St. and St. Joseph.
Billiard Room.
MAYOR. Board of Control 1919-20.
Accounts.

L. J. O'Rourke
CITY CLERK.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

February 4th, 1919

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.40 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor
Controllers Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

South and Oxford Street Sewer, Dalhousie college.
Salvation Army appeal for Funds.
Tenders for Abattoir.
Garage in Residential District Dhebucto Road -
H.F. Burton.
Permanent Sidewalks.
Fire Insurance City Home.
Library Lighting.
Fire Insurance City Home.
Schools Playgrounds -Oxford and St. Josephs.
Explosion -Loan from Relief Commission.
Loan from Eastern Securities Company.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
Fire Alarm Box at Ocean Terminals.
City Prison Monthly report.
War -Sailing of Large Ships to Port of Halifax.
Boat Landing and Ferrying Privileges.
Billiard Room License 141 North Street.
Snow Removal.
Market Building Fire Insurance.
John Hanrahan Superannuation.
City Prison Tenders.
Garage in Residential District North Street-
F. Parsons.
Police Department Motor Patrol.
Loans - Water Construction - Sewers - Sidewalks.
Building Act.
Tuberculosis Hospital -Cook Construction Company.
Policemen.
Water Bill -Lucy Ward 79 Macara Street.
School Board Estimates 1919-20.
Accounts.

SOUTH AND OXFORD STREET SEWER, DALHOUSIE
COLLEGE.

President McKenzie and G.S. Campbell representing
the Board of Governors of Dalhousie College appeared
before the Board respecting their application for
a sewer at the Corner of South and Oxford Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

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SALVATION ARMY APPEAL FOR FUNDS.

Arthur S. Magann representing the Salvation Army appeared before the Board asking if the City would give them permission to use office room in the City Hall for their headquarters during their campaign to raise money for the soldiers and for a Maternity hospital.

*J. & Synch
Janitor - City Hall
Engineer*

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Murphy that the offices assigned to the Board of Control and not yet taken over, be given to the Salvation Army for use during their Campaign.
Motion passed.

TENDERS FOR ABATTOIR.

Tenders for equipment for the Abattoir are received and opened as follows -

<u>BIDDER.</u>	<u>BOILER</u>	<u>RUNWAY</u>	<u>CHIMNEY</u>	<u>DRAIN</u>
Arthur Cox & Co.	\$2553.00		950.00	
Eastern Invest Co.		1350.00		
Darling Bros.	2588.00		600.00	
J. & M. Gilhorley				5.90 per
Alcorn Construction Co.				lin-
				eal Ft
Longards Limited	2478.00			11.00 "
Peter Mancuso				5.57 "
C.F. McGillvary				
D.G. Stewart				

Cost plus 12% for all items.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer

GARAGE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT CHEBUCTO ROAD
H.F. BURTON.

A delegation appeared before the Board in opposition to Mr. Burton's application for a permit to erect a garage in the residential district.

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Engineer
Mr. Burton appears before the Board and informs them that he has decided not to erect the garage.

PERMANENT SIDEWALKS.

Read report Clerk of Works as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 4th, 1919

Engineer
His Worship the Mayor and Board of Control,
Gentlemen-

In answer to your request for an explanation of the delay in submitting charges to abutters for work done in 1917 on permanent sidewalks, I beg to state that it is customary for this Department to be submitted early in January of each year the necessary data on which to make up the costs for work done on sidewalks during the previous season. Owing to the explosion on Dec. 6th, 1917 and the immediate setting in of an unusually severe winter, I understand the checking up of the outside work could not be completed until spring, and with the general dislocation of the work of the engineering department, I was not supplied with this necessary data until late in May last.

Engineer
While the outside work carried on by the City last season was not so heavy as in former years, our office routine, owing to the explosion was very much increased, which I believe also applies to about all the other city departments, and for this and other reasons given the statement was submitted at the earliest possible date. Under normal conditions the delay would not have occurred.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Filed.

FIRE INSURANCE-CITY HOME.

Read report Clerk of Works as follows -

Halifax, Feb, 4, 1919

His Worship the Mayor and Board of Control,
Gentlemen:-

In reference to insurance on City Property I have made enquiry and find that as the City Home is not located in a hazardous district, it is possible on payment of two premiums at once to secure insurance for a term of three years.

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As the present insurance on the City Home expires June 30th next, and that on other city property does not, according to contract expire until May 31st, 1920 and in any case it is not possible to secure similar terms in the matter of payment, I would recommend that the insurance on the City Home be effected separately, the present amount of same being fifty eight thousand dollars (\$58,000.00) and to cover payment that five hundred and eighty dollars (\$580.00) be placed in the estimates for 1919-20

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Deferred for consideration with the estimates.

LIBRARY LIGHTING.

Controller Finlay reported to the Board that the Librarians of the Citizens Free Library had complained to him of the lack of light in the Library.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

SCHOOLS PLAYGROUNDS - OXFORD AND ST. JOSEPH'S.

Read letter City Treasurer as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 1st, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen -

In reply to instructions I waited upon the Acting Manager of the Royal Bank in re a loan of \$9438.33 for the purchase of land for school purposes at St. Joseph's and Oxford St. Schools.

I was informed that the loan would be granted, subject however to confirmation by Head office, at a rate of 5½ % per annum provided that a duly certified copy of the order in Council directing the City to issue these Bonds, also a duly certified extract of the Minutes of the Board of Control authorizing the issue and fixing the rate of interest and period of loan, and a guarantee from the Premier that legislation legalizing the rate of interest and term of Bonds were attached.

J.J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that the City Treasurer be authorized to negotiate the loan of \$9438.33 referred to in his report

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from the Royal Bank of Canada for one year from
January 1st, 1919 at the rate of 5½% per annum;
that the City Clerk request the Premier of Nova Scotia
to undertake to use the good offices of the
Government on behalf of the passage of an Act to
legalize the action of the Board of Control in the
matter and that the City Solicitor be instructed
to prepare such act.

Motion passed Controller Finlay dissenting.

EXPLOSION - LOAN FROM RELIEF COMMISSION.

Read report City Treasurer as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 3rd, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and
Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I have received the cheque for \$33,300
from the Halifax Relief Commission for the repairs
to City Property and Schools.

I am, at the same time, informed that it
is necessary to know the division of this amount and
would respectfully request the information as soon
as possible.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

On motion of Controller Murphy it is decided
to let the report lay on the table until the next
meeting of the Board awaiting a further report from
the City Engineer.

LOAN FROM EASTERN SECURITIES COMPANY.

Read report City Treasurer covering letter
Eastern Securities Company as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 3rd, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

I respectfully submit for your information

Treasurer -
Auditor -
Royal Bank -
Premier Murphy ✓
Solicitor ✓
School Board ✓

Engineer -
o/c

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the attached letter from the Eastern Securities Co. Ltd. in re issue of Bonds under their option.

I shall, subject to change or approval by your Board, advise the said Company that the following items constitute the exact amount required under their option exclusive of the first amount of \$133,500 of which \$600 remains to be cleaned up.

Loan (Permanent Sidewalks	\$30,000
for (Public Abattoir	10,000
1918 (Street Widening	10,000
- (Tuberculosis Hospital	35,000
1919 (Public Comfort Station	2,000
and Sewers	125,000
1919 (Permanent Pavement	44,700
1-1920 (Water Construction	40,000
1920 (Loan Expenses	500
<u>Total</u>	<u>297,200</u>

The expense of engraving the Debentures as approved by your Board was \$550. but the balance of \$50.00 can be taken care of by the loan expense account.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

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Halifax, February Third,
Nineteen Ninteen.

Mr. J.J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Dear Mr. Hopewell.-

Please let us have the exact amount of the Bonds of the City of Halifax on which we have exercised our option, exclusive of the first amount, \$133,500.

There is a balance of \$600 due us on the latter amount at 100.77 and the \$3000 which we are taking up today is a portion of the Bonds on which we have an option.-101.63 We will clean up the \$600 in a few days. We remain,

W. I. Macdougall,
Manager.

Approved.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Re ad report City Electrician as follows -

Halifax, Feb 3d, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,

Dear Sir:

The following Fire Alarm Boxes have been inspected and found in good working condition.
Nos. 32, 212, 31, 3, 61, 69, 6, 67, 91, 9

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

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Treasurer
Eastern Co.
Securities

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*Chief Fire
Dept -*

On motion of Controller Murphy the Chief of the Fire Department is instructed to report on the condition of Box 18 at the Waverley Hotel fire.

FIRE ALARM BOX AT OCEAN TERMINALS.

Read report City Electrician as follows

Halifax, Feb, 3rd, 1919

His Worship the Maor,
Dear Sir:-

I enclose a letter from the resident engineer, Canadian National Railways, with respect to the installation of a Fire Alarm Box at the New Terminals.

I am making estimates of the cost for this installation, and with your approval will take the matter up with Mr. Smith.

P.R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

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Halifax, Jan 30th, 1919

P.R. Colpitt, Esq.,
City Electrician.

City Electrician

Dear Sir -

Referring to our conversation of the 17th relative to fire alarm box in vicinity of New Station, Ocean Terminals.

Will you please have fire alarm box installed at the New Temporary Station. I would like to have the box located in the Port Cochere which is at the front of the Station. If you come down at your earliest convenience one of our engineers will show you the location. We would like this installation hurried as much as possible.

R.H. Smith,
Resident Engineer.

Approved.

CITY PRISON MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report Governor City Prison for month of January, covering detailed statement showing the number of prisoners committed to the prison during the month of January, term of sentence and offence.

Governor Grant in his report asked that 30 spring shades, 25 yards curtaining, and 12 chairs (Explosion expenditures) be purchased.

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*Governor
City Prison -*

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that Governor Grant be authorized to purchase in the articles referred to/his report. Motion passed, Controller Finlay dissenting.

WAR - SAILING OF LARGE SHIPS TO PORT OF HALIFAX.

Read following cable and telegram -

Ottawa, Ont, Feb. 3, 1919

Board of Control,
Halifax, N.S.

Have following cable for you from Sir Robert Borden at Paris. "Your telegram reached me here am making inquiries."

G.W. Hates,
Secretary.

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Ottawa, Ont, Jan. 30th, 1919

City Clerk, Halifax, N S.

No information here regarding boats referring to in your telegram being withdrawn from Can. service nor has any such reason for withdrawal been given.
Minister of Military.

Filed.

BOAT LANDING AND FERRYING PRIVILEGES.

Again read report Clerk of Works re Boat Landing and ferrying privileges.

Engineer -

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that the City Engineer be instructed to report as to what he considers fair charges for the privileges.

BILLIARD ROOM LICENSE #141 NORTH STREET.

T.R. Williamson applied to the Board of Control for permission to conduct a Billiard Room at 141 North Street. Referred to the Chief of Police for report.

*Chief of
Police -*

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SNOW REMOVAL

Read report City Engineer, as follows -

Halifax, Jan 31, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

In compliance with the attached Minute of the Board of Control respecting snow removal, I have sent a questionnaire to a great many cities, asking for particulars of the method followed in removing snow, with the special object of ascertaining if there is any melting process used in any of the cities written to. I have been unable to find any city which is using any system of removal of snow by melting and discharging into the sewers. I do not intend to abandon the idea, however, and am possibly be able to work out something in that line which can be used in future.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

Filed.

Engineer -

MARKET BUILDING FIRE INSURANCE.

Read report City Engineer as follows -

Halifax, Jan. 31, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the communication from Messrs. Rainnie & Keator respecting the amount of insurance on the Market Building.

I have gone over this matter carefully with the Assistant Building Inspector and beg to report that in our judgment the probability of the City suffering a greater loss than \$10,000 at the market building through a fire, is remote, and as it has been the policy of the City to carry a considerable portion of the risk on practically fireproof buildings, we are prepared to recommend that no change be made.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

*Engineer -
Clerk of Works
Rainnie &
Keator*

JOHN HANRAHAN SUPERANNUATION.

Read report City Engineer as follows -

February 4th, 1919

Jan. 31, 1919

His Worship the Maor,
Sir,

At the meeting of the Board of Control held on the 14th day of January 1919, my report on the superannuation of John Hanrahan was approved by the Board. Since that time I have discovered that there was not only an error in the calculation, but there is a difference between the amount which Mr. Hanrahan paid into the superannuation fund/ ~~and~~ t which he should have paid in, based on 4% of the pay which he was receiving.

I referred the matter to the City Solicitor but he informs me that the problem is so difficult that he would prefer not to give an opinion on it. Under the circumstances, I would recommend that the figures of the City Treasurer be taken instead of those which I have submitted. According to the amounts paid into the Superannuation fund, Mr. Hanrahan would be entitled to a superannuation allowance of \$436.80; thirteen-thirtieths or \$189.28 would be payable from the superannuation fund and seventeen-thirtieths or \$247.52 a year from the general fund, instead of the figures previously submitted.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Referred to the Trustees of the Superannuation Fund fore-report.

CITY PRISON TENDERS.

In response to advertisements in the newspapers the following bids were received for supply for a quarter of beef to the City Prison -

W.D. Isnor	16½ cents per lb.
W.E. Dunn	20 " " "
W.A. Maling & Co.	16 " " "
R.M. McLeod & Son	15.98 per hundred lbs.

No tenders were received for Groceries.

Referred to the Governor of the City Prison for report.

GARAGE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT - NORTH STREET -
F. PARSONS.

Read report City Engineer, as follows -

*John Hanrahan
Engineer -
Treasurer -*

*City Prison
Engineer -*

*Governor
City Prison -*

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Halifax, Jan. 30, 1919

His worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report respecting the violation of the Building regulations at the property of Fred Parsons corner of North and Brunswick Streets, that the Asst. Building Inspector reports that he is using as a garage, the lower part of the building. The law provides that any building erected or remodelled as a garage and occupied in part for other purposes, shall have such parts entirely cut off from the portion used as a garage by fireproof floors, and shall be provided with adequate means of exit independent of that used as a garage.

Fred Parsons

That means that the outside walls and ceiling will have to be made fireproof and that the stairway entrance to the upper stories must be cut off by fireproof walls with a separate and independent entrance; otherwise he cannot continue to use the building as a garage.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Parsons.

POLICE DEPARTMENT MOTOR PATROL.

The City Engineer reported that the Police Motor Patrol was unfit for the service intended.

*Chief of Police
Engineer*

On motion of Controller Murphy the City Engineer is instructed to obtain a report from an expert mechanic showing why the car is unsatisfactory and submit same to this Board.

LOANS-WATER CONSTRUCTION -SEWERS -SIDEWALKS.

Read report City Engineer as follows -

Halifax, Jan. 30, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

We have in Water Construction Account available for borrowing, \$60,000, for sewers \$30,000 and for sidewalks \$5000. Permanent pavement will be covered in a later report.

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I would recommend that legislation be obtained authorizing the borrowing from time to time as required of the sum of not less than \$100,000 on Sidewalk account and \$100,000 on Sewer Account.

F.W.W.Doane,
CITY ENGINEER.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that the City Solicitor be instructed to draft an Act authorizing the City to borrow from time to time sums up to the total sum of \$200,000.00 for the construction of permanent sidewalks and \$200,000.00 for the construction of sewers. Motion passed.

Solicitor

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL-COOK CONSTRUCTION CO.

Read letter Mrs. A.I. Mader as follows:-

Halifax, Jan. 30th-19.

Mr. L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

Dear Sir:-

Re "Hazlewood Hospital" and Cook Construction Company. At the time that the Hazlewood Hospital Board vacated the house on the property known as the Flynn Property, we were definitely promised by the Cook Construction Company at a meeting held in the City Hall that the house would be returned to us in as good condition as when given into their hands.

Eva A. Mader,
Member Hazlewood Board.

Filed.

POLICEMEN.

The following applications were received for position as policemen - Wm. Brown, James McGillivray, Daniel McAskill, Frank Nelson, Alexander A. Gillis Francis Coady.

On recommendation of the Chief of Police the above applicants are appointed as temporary members of the Police Force.

Chief of Police

WATER BILL-LUCY WARD 79 MACARA STREET.

Read water bill Lucy Ward 79 Macara Street claimed to be excessive. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer

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SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES 1919-20

*Secretary
School Board*

Controller Murphy asked that the School Board be requested to submit a detailed statement making up the item of \$21,427.50 for maintenance account in the School Board Estimates for 1919-20.

ACCOUNTS

The following accounts chargeable to various services are passed for payment -

CITIZENS LIBRARY.

Book Room	\$4.60
Canadian Finance	2.00
H. G. Marshall	6.00
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	\$ 12.60

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CITY HEALTH BOARD.

Nova Scotia Undertaking Co. For conveyance of patients to Influenza Hospital	\$439.00
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J. J. Scriven & Sons	Bread	142.40
R. N. McDonald	Groceries	222.62
W. A. Maling	Beef	177.61
Moirs Limited	Xmas Bread	18.63
J. & M. Murphy	Dry goods	31.06
Buckley Coal Co	Coal	722.63
Clayton & Sons	Uniform Ulsters	174.00
Hillis & Sons	Stovefittings	5.00
Robt. Taylor Co.	Rubber boots etc.	26.10
Cragg Bros.	Enamel Ware etc.	41.70
A. W. Bell & Co.	" "	6.45
Stroud Eveleigh	Repairs	10.55
Dr. Mathers	Prof. Services	5.00
Good Shepherd	Laundry	293.67
Halifax Herald	Advertising	6.00
Irwin & Sons	Drugs	3.35
Neil Fox	Harness Supplies	10.25
Stairs Son & Morrow	1 bar steel	5.63
Morton & Thomson	Enamel Bowls	1.80
Frank Fraser	Feed	79.89
N. S. T. & P. Co.	Light	1.80
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		\$ 1996.14

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BUILDING ACT.

Read report City Engineer as follows -

Jan. 30.1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

We have frequent requests for copies of the Building Act, but at present have no available copies. I would recommend that five hundred copies of the Act be printed for issue at this office, or if your Board consider it advisable, that they be issued by the City Clerk on payment of a fee covering the cost. At present a copy of the City Charter can be obtained for the sum of one dollar, but the applicants for the Building Act are not as a rule satisfied to pay that amount.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

Deferred pending amendments proposed to be submitted by the City Engineer.

The Board adjourned.

CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

*Engineer
B/C*

Chief of Police

[Handwritten Signature]

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL

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The Board of Control met this day at 12.45 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Murphy and Finlay.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Policemen - Charges against.
Policeman Thomas McDonald.
Policeman Hugh Scott.
Policeman Malcolm McLean.

POLICEMAN THOMAS McDONALD.

Read charge against Policeman Thomas McDonald,
as follows -

February 4th, 1919

To His Worship the Mayor
Members of the Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg leave to report Policeman Thomas McDonald for being drunk on January 31st, whilst on duty.

Frank Hanrahan,
Chief of Police.

Policeman McDonald admits the charge.

The Chief of Police recommends that McDonald be given a chance to make good and that he be reprimanded.

McDonald is lectured and given good advise by His Worship the Mayor and instructed that if he offends again within a year he will be dismissed.

POLICEMAN HUGH SCOTT.

Read charge against Policeman Hugh Scott, as follows -

Halifax, February 1st, 1919

To the Chief of Police,
Dear Sir-

For your information I have to report Policeman Hugh Scott for being in a drunken con-

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condition while on duty Saturday February 1st, 11.20 a. m. to which I ordered him home considering him unfit for further duty that day.

Wm. E. Palmer,
Deputy Chief of Police.

Policeman Scott admits the charge.

The Chief of Police recommends that Scott be given a chance to make good and that he be reprimanded.

His Worship the Mayor reprimands Policeman Scott and informs him that if within a year he again commits himself he will be dismissed.

POLICEMAN MALCOLM MCLEAN.

Read charge Against Policeman Malcolm McLean,
as follows -

Halifax, February 4, 1919

To His Worship the Mayor
Members of the Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

I beg leave to report Policeman Malcolm McLean for absenting himself from Police duty in the month of Feb~~er~~ January 1919 by falsely reporting himself sick.

Wm. E. Palmer
Deputy Chief of Police.

Policeman McLean in answer to questions stated that he is a single man and lives in a rooming house. He was sick with the Influenza and under a doctor's care. On the evening in question he had to go to a nearby drug store for medicine because he had no one to send for it. He met Sergeant McIssac and Policeman Simmonds on the street. He went right

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back to his room after getting the medicine and had not been out over twenty minutes altogether.

Deputy Chief Palmer stated that McLean was reported sick on January 25th and a few nights later Sergeant McIsaac reported having seen him on the street, hence the charge. On the same evening Sergeant Young went to his room and found him home.

Chief Palmer

The Board considered McLean's explanation satisfactory and dismissed the charge.

The Board adjourned.

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CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

February 6th, 1919

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.30 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Abattoir.
Street Lighting.
Military Hospitals Fire Alarm Boxes.
City Home Report for January.
Fire Alarm Boxes.
Assessment Plan.
Explosion- December 6th, 1917 - Riot- May 25th, 1918.
City Prison Improvement.
City Prison -Underkeeper Thos. H. Arnold.
Explosion - Massachusetts Motor Trucks.
Junk License J.M.Garson - Stayner's Wharf.
War - Steamship Transport Service to Halifax.
Provincial Exhibition.
Firemen to Patrol Streets.
Chestnut Street Sewer and Water Extension.
Summer Street - Water Meter "Gardencrest"
Seaforth Street Sewer and Water Extension.
Cabot Street Water Extension.
Explosion - Policeman David C.Wilson.
Isleville Street Extension.
Lynch Street City Lot.
Accounts.

ABATTOIR.

Read report Assistant City Engineer, as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 6, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report that tenders were received as follows for work at the Abattoir -

<u>BOILER</u>	Longards Limited	\$2478.00
	Arthur Cox & Co.	2553.00
	Darling Bros.	2988.00
	D.G. Stewart	Cost plus 12%

The tender of Longards Limited being the lowest I would recommend its acceptance.

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<u>CHIMNEY</u>	J.&M.Gilhooley	\$600.00
	East. Invest. Co.	950.00
	D.G.Stewart	cost plus 12%

The tender of J.&M.Gilhooley being the lowest, I would recommend that it be accepted.

<u>RUNWAY.</u>	Eastern Invest. Corpn.	1350.00
	D.G.Stewart	cost plus 12%

I would recommend that the tender of the Eastern Investment Corporation be accepted.

<u>DRAIN.</u>	C.McGillivray	\$5.57	per.lin.	ft.
	Alcorn Const. Co.	5.90	"	"
	Peter Mancuso	11.00	"	"
	D.G.Stewart	cost plus	12%	

The lowest tender is that of Mr. McGillivray for \$5.57 per lineal foot. This, in my judgment, is too high and I would recommend that the matter be allowed to stand over at present to see if better arrangements cannot be made.

H.W Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The City Engineer is requested to report as to why a 50 horse power capacity boiler has been recommended for the abattoir rather than a boiler capable of supplying the whole abattoir plant and as to why it is recommended that electricity be employed for operating a portion of the plant.

The recommendations in the report in respect to the chimney, runway and sewer are approved.

STREET LIGHTING.

Read report of City Electrician, as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 5th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Dear Sir-

I herewith submit copy of request for details of operating cost re White way lighting.

P.R.Colpitt,
City Electrician.

*Engineer
Council*

February 6th, 1919

Halifax, Feb. 5th, 1919

Sec. Board of Public Utilities,
City.

Dear Madam:-

In the matter of rate for Whiteway Light-
ing, in this City, I would suggest on behalf of the
City, that the following items of cost should be
submitted by the N.S. Tramway and Power Co, for
inspection.

Cost of Power house equipment exculsive of White-
way plant per k.w.h.

Cost of coal per twon 2000 lbs.

Pounds of coal per k.wh.output at switchboard.

Power house expenses per k.w.h. at switchboard.

Cost of Electrodes per lamp per year.

Cost of lamp globes.

Globe renewals per lamp per year.

Cost of trimming per lamp per year.

Cost of lamp repairs per lamp per year.

P.R.Colpitt,
City Electrician .

The City Electrician is instructed to submit
to the Board at its meeting on the 11th inst.
a progress report of specifications for Electric
Street Lighting.

MILITARY HOSPITALS FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 5th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,

Dear Sir,

With reference to the installation of
Fire Alarm equipment in the Military Hospitals,
it will be necessary to have definite information
as to amount of equipment required, in order to
give the desired information.

With your approval, will take the matter up
with Col Thompson direct.

P.R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Approved.

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Electrician

Electrician

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CITY HOME REPORT FOR JANUARY.

Read report City Home for the month of January,
as follows -

Halifax, February 5th, 1919

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

I beg to submit the following report of Charities Department for the month of January, 1919. The Superintendent's report shows that during the month there were 17 persons admitted into the City Home and 16 discharged. Of the number admitted 5 were chargeable to the Province and 12 to the City. The total number of inmates on January 31st was 283, made up of 160 men, 121 women, and 2 children. On the same date last year there were 181 women, 125 women, and 11 children. On-the- making a total of 317. During the month there was one patient admitted into the Nova Scotia Hospital whose maintenance is chargeable to the City one patient so chargeable was discharged and 2 died.

J. J. Hines,
Controller.

Filed.

FIRE ALARM BOXES.

Read report City Electrician re fire alarm boxes
as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 5th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Dear Sir-

The following Fire Alarm Boxes have been inspected and found in good working condition.
No. 93, 95, 73, 65, 57, 63, 58, 56, 51 and 5.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

ASSESSMENT PLAN.

Read report progress certificate Assistant
City Engineer, as follows -

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Halifax, Feb, 6th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to recommend payment to H.B. Pickings of the sum of one thousand three hundred and sixty dollars \$1360.00 on account on his contract for an assessment plan -

Estimated value of work done	\$8000.00
20% retained	<u>1600.00</u>
	6400.00
Paid on certificates 1 to 3	<u>5040.00</u>
Bal. recommended	\$ 1360.00

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The account is passed for payment.

The City Engineer is requested to report as to the progress made on the assessment plan up to date.

EXPLOSION DECEMBER 6th, 1917 - RIOT MAY 25th 1918.

Read report City Engineer as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 6th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

In compliance with the attached extract from Minutes of the Board of Control, I beg to report that the Auditor's books show that \$109,963.51 has been spent on Explosion account and \$6,371.37 on Riot account.

I am not aware of any further work to be done in consequence of the riot. The estimated cost of making good the remainder of the damage to City property is \$21,800.00

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that ^{of} the \$33,300.00 (the balance of the \$500,000.00 authorized tby the Acts of 1918 recently borrowed from the Relief Commission) \$15,000.00 be appropriated for repairs to schoolbuildings, this amount not to be paid over to the School Board until all expenditures of the School Board up to date for

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Auditor
School Board
Engineer
Council

repairs to School properties on explosion account are audited by the City Auditor and a statement submitted to this Board by him that he is satisfied ~~th~~ with the prices charged and all other matters connected therewith.

The City Engineer is requested to submit an estimate of the amount required to replace furniture in the City Hall destroyed or damaged as a result of the explosion.

CITY PRISON IMPROVEMENT.

Read report City Engineer as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 6, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

The estimated cost of laying new floors at the City Prison, installing grills in the corridors, erecting fence and providing additional plumbing is \$8100.00

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

The City Engineer verbally reports that the proposed improvements itemized are as follows-

New Floors	\$800.00
Installing grills	1800.00
Erecting fence	4000.00
Additional Plumbing	1500.00
Total	\$ 8100.00

Solicitor
Auditor
Inspector
Council
Prison City

On motion of Controller Hines seconded by Controller Murphy the City Solicitor is instructed to draft an Act authorizing the City to borrow sums not exceeding \$800.00 for new floors and \$1500.00 for additional plumbing in the City Prison. Controller Finlay dissents. Further consideration of the items \$1800.00 for installing grills and \$4000.00 for erecting a fence is deferred.

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CITY PRISON - UNDERKEEPER THOS. H. ARNOLD.

*City Clerk.
Governor of Prison*

Read resignation City Prison Underkeeper Thomas H. Arnold. Accepted.

The City Clerk is instructed to advertise for applications to fill the position.

EXPLOSION - MASSACHUSETTS MOTOR TRUCKS

*Engineer
Council*

The City Engineer is instructed to write the Relief Commission informing them that it has been intimated to the Board of Control that one of the Motor Trucks presented by the people of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to the City of Halifax at the time of the Explosion has been sold by the Relief Commission and that the Commission is endeavoring to dispose of others of said motor trucks and to submit a strong protest against such disposal of said motor trucks because of the understanding that they were to become the property of the City of Halifax when no longer required for the immediate purposes of Explosion Relief Work.

JUNK LICENSE J.M. GARSON - STAYNER'S WHARF.

Read petition Baud Bros Ltd., William Grant, John Tobin & Co., G.A. Redmond & Son and Thomas H. Renner against the establishment by Jacob M. Garson of a rag and junk business at property at the head of Stayner's Wharf.

Referred to the City Engineer for investigations and report.

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The Secretary is instructed to forward to Messrs Bauld Bros. Ltd. for the petitioners an extract from the minutes of the Board of Control of January 9th, showing the action of the Board on this matter as follows -

" Read application Jacob M. Garson for a Junk Dealers License

It is decided to grant Mr. Garson the license subject to the location for his business being approved satisfactory to the City Engineer."

The City Engineer is instructed to inspect the premises of all the Junk dealers in the City and to report as to whether the conditions exist in any of them which are referred to in the petition as likely to happen should Mr. Garson start business at Stayner's Wharf.

*Bauld Bros Ltd ✓
Engineer ✓
J M Garson ✓
City Clerk ✓*

The City Clerk is instructed to write Mr. Garson informing him of the protest against his proposed business and to notify him not to commence business pending an investigation to be made.

WAR - STEAMSHIP TRANSPORT SERVICE TO HALIFAX.

Read letter Hon. A.K. McLean acting Prime Minister of Canada as follows -

Department of Trade and Commerce,
Ottawa, January 31st-1919

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk,
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir;

I am in receipt of your telegram of the 30th instant, in reference to the matter of the withdrawal of certain steamers from the Transport Service to Halifax, upon the ground that the Harbour was unsuitable for such steamers.

While the Transport Service is not entirely within the control of the Dominion Government, still I am unable to learn here that these steamers are to

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be withdrawn from the Halifax route; at least, there is no such knowledge ~~fre~~ here. In any case, I shall assume, in the absence of any evidence to the contrary, that it has never been contemplated to withdraw such steamers, upon the ground of inadequate facilities in the Port of Halifax. I can hardly believe that this ground has been urged at all, even if a change in steamers was contemplated.

I am pursuing my inquiries further in the matter, and if I learn of anything additional, I shall advise you.

A. K. MacLean,

Filed.

PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION.

Read letter Board of Trade re Provincial Exhibition covering resolution passed by that body at its Annual meeting as follows -

Halifax, February 4, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and Members of the Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I enclose herewith copy of resolution with reference to the re-establishment of the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition at Halifax, unanimously passed at the Annual Meeting of this Board on January 21st, 19 last, and would ask you to kindly give same your favourable consideration.

Thanking you in advance for what you may do in connection with this matter.

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

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RESOLUTION UNANIMOUSLY PASSED? ANNUAL MEETING
HALIFAX BOARD OF TRADE, JANUARY 21, 1919

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WHEREAS the purpose of the Provincial Exhibition is to increase production and improve the quality of Manufacturers, Agricultural products, etc., to advertise the industries and possibilities of the Province also, considered necessary as an educational medium, and,

WHEREAS the Annual Provincial Exhibition has been held in this City for a number of years, enabling the Farmer and Merchant to become acquainted with modern ideas, improved machinery and make personal comparison, also to meet the mercantile houses of the Capital City for mutual benefit, and,

WHEREAS the Nova Scotia Provincial Exhibition plant was destroyed by the Explosion of December 6th, 1917, thus making it impossible for exhibitions to be held since that date,

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BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that at this Annual Meeting of the Halifax Board of Trade, the Government and Exhibition Commission and the City be urged upon to take the necessary steps towards re-establishing said exhibition at as early a date as possible.

Hon E.A.
Annals
President - Exhibition
Commission
Hon P.H. Murray
Premier
Scott
Council

(See printed Minutes City Council, February 7th, 1918, page 356)

The purport of the resolution of the Board of Trade was unanimously endorsed by the Board of Control.

FIREMEN TO PATROL STREETS.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that he had instructed the Chief of the Fire Department to detail certain members of the paid Fire Department to patrol the streets in the business district of the City in the night time between 11 p.m. and 6 a. m. as a measure of fire protection during the winter months such men to be permitted to sleep in the daytime.

Chief Fire Dept

The matter is referred to the Chief of the Fire Department for report.

CHESTNUT STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Engineer

Read petition H. McC. Hart for sewer and Water extension Chestnut Street. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

SUMMER STREET - WATER METER "GARDENCREST"

Read report City Engineer as follows -

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Halifax, Feb. 5th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the request of Mr. G.A. Wooten that the water meter at his property #42 Summer Street which is now located at the street line in front of his premises, be placed inside the building.

There is a length of pipe between the meter and the building on private property, which it is advisable to have metered in order to notify the Water Department in case of leakage. It is not the intention of the Department to charge Mr. Wooten for any leakage in this pipe unless it happens through his neglect to repair it when it becomes worn out, which is a very remote possibility.

The pipe has been tested by shutting off the water at the house, when it was shown to be absolutely tight.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to George A Wooten .

SEAFORTH STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read report City Engineer as follows -

Halifax, Feb, 5th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached petition from C.A. Norton asking for sewer and water extension on Seaforth Street eastwardly from Dublin Street.

The length of sewer will be about 380 feet; length of water pipe about 415 feet; size of pipe 6-inch; district high service.

The extension will supply five houses. The estimated cost for the sewer is \$4560; estimated cost of water extension \$1614.

I would recommend that the sewer and water pipe be extended to this point, provided the owners of houses will sign a bond for a special rate of \$19.37

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

CABOT STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read report City Engineer as follows :

Halifax, Feb. 5, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached application for

*Engineer ✓
Geo A Wooten ✓*

*Engineer ✓
Council*

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the extension of the main water pipe on Cabot Street.

The length of pipe required is 55 feet instead of 33 feet, district high service, estimated cost of extension \$384.

I would recommend that the extension be made on a special rate of \$23.04

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

EXPLOSION - POLICEMAN DAVID C. WILSON.

Policeman David C. Wilson who lost an eye and had the sight of the other eye impaired in the explosion of December 6th, appeared before the Board submitting a certificate from an eye specialist as to the condition of his eyes and asks that he be carried on the Police Department pay roll until May 1st, 1919 and then superannuated. The request is unanimously concurred in.

ISLESVILLE STREET EXTENSION.

The City Engineer is requested to report on the proposed extension of Islesville Street through property of Mrs. William Coolen.

LYNCH STREET CITY LOT.

R.S. Allen, King Edward Hotel appeared before the Board and stated he desired to purchase a building lot in Lynch Street owned by the City.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts chargeable to various services are passed for payment -

Engineer
Council

Chief of Police
Auditor
Council
Solicitor

Engineer

Engineer

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Police Department.

Robt. Taylor Co. Ltd.	Boots	10.50
Frank W. Fraser	Feed	13.12
J. Wannacott	Rep. locks	3.55
Nova Motor Co. Ltd.	Repairs	9.25
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	18.90
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	8.30
Dr. H. McFatrige	Vet. Services	1.00
do	Shoeing	2.25
City Taxi Service	Hire Taxi	2.00
W.B. Williams	Badges	27.00
W.E. Palmer	-----	2.00
Frank Hanrahan	Laundry	.96
W.T. Francis Furn. Co.	Office Furn	130.40
do	Furniture	70.75
E.B. Eddy Co.	Toilet Fix.	1.50
		<u>\$ 301.48</u>

CITY Home.

1918			
Oct. 1	N.S. Hospital	a/c Mary Foley	58.50
10	do	Emily L. LePine	58.50
28	do	Samuel Martell	58.50
Nov. 19	do	D. Dixon	58.50
21	do	Jas. E. Butler	58.50
25	do	Stanley M. Smith	58.50
Dec. 21	do	Bertha O'Hearn	58.50

1919
Jan. 31

Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries	1098.93
R. McLeod & Co.	Meats	591.38
Smith & Proctor	Butter	214.20
F.W. Keddy	Milk	186.00
Leonard Fisheries	Fish	59.85
Davis & Fraser	Mess Pork	135.15
Frank W. Fraser	Forage	64.83
Fleischmann Co.	Yeast	4.55
W.Y. Kennedy	Dry goods	80.75
Mar. Tel. & Tel. Co.	Exchange service	5.10
N.S. Tram. & Power Co.	Light	50.72
Clayton & Sons	Mens clothing	120.00
Cragg Bros.	Enamel Ware	19.20
Nat. Drug. Co.	Insect Powder	2.16
Buckley Coal Co.	Coal	1120.43
Gordon & Keith	Blinds (2)	24.50
J.T. Dorey	Electric Lamps	5.25
Hillis & Sons	Stove Furn.	5.00
H. McFatrige	Horseshoeing	12.25
T.C. Allen Co.	Stationery	1.50
James Simmonds Ltd.	Sundries	4.90
Halifax Herald	Advertising	6.30
Blackadar Bros.	do	4.65
Chronicle Pub. Co.	do	8.40
J. McInnis & Sons	Speels for Bake House	7.10
P. Weatherbee M.D.	Lunacy Cert.	5.00
Victoria Gen. Hosp.	Medicine 5 mos.	218.27

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A. J. McNutt	Repairs	1.50
H. H. Banks	Cabbage	2.60
Baldwin & Co.	Stockerware	6.48
J. H. Buchanan	Cash expended	320.59
Salaries	Jan. Pay roll	1082.83
N. S. Hospital	Maintenance Ins.	2271.30
		<u>\$ 8151.17</u>

IMPROVEMENT ACCOUNT.

Charles E. Morton	Truckage	28.00
William McFtridge	Iron Stringers	19.00
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	Hardware	56.01
		<u>\$ 103.01</u>

Works Department.

Water Maintenance	1885.03
Water Construction	974.40
City Hall Lighting	30.80
Abattoir	12.50
Water Sewer Maintenance	4.86
Teams and Stables	2731.86
Streets	1200.26
Cleaning Paved Streets	15.65
Sewerage	510.14
Internal Health	259.76
Streets	335.20
Tuberculosis Hospital	6.40
	<u>\$ 7966.86</u>
City Property	348.71
	<u>\$ 8315.57</u>

GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

Dr. Finn M E.	Certificate of Death	
	Chas. A. McCarthy	4.00
	Fanny Smith	4.00
		<u>8.00</u>
T. C. Allen	Stationery & etc.	
	City Clerk	25.85
	" "	20.50
	Collector	16.25
		<u>62.60</u>
Office Specialty Co.	Guides	2.40
London Rubber Stamp Co.		.90
Town Planning Board,	Advertising	46.20
Halifax Industrial School,	support	
of boys, 3 mos. to Feb. 1st,		
Juvenile Offenders		370.74
Truants		217.80
		<u>588.54</u>
		<u>\$708.64</u>

The Board adjourned.

L. Fred Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10.15 o'clock present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Murphy and Finlay.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Truro Protestant Orphan's Home.
Grand Parade - Salvation Army Hut.
Street Railway-Tramway Car No. 6.
Gottingen Street Sewer.
Grafton Street Sewer.
Grafton Park Boundary Fence.
Votes for Women.
Electric Lighting Specifications.
City Prison Underkeeper.
City Prison Groceries.
City Prison contract for Beef.
City Purchasing Department.
Lynch Street City Lot.
Water Accounts.
Changing Civic Year.
Explosion - Public Schools Repairs.
Bloomfield School Playground.
Lucisburg Street- Water Meter for E.D.Glenister.
Water Meters.
Islesville Street Extension.
Gerrish Street Engine House.
Police Motor Patrol Vehicle.
Public Schools Playgrounds - St. Joseph's and Oxford Schools.
Water Service and Fire Hazard -Letters Board of Trade.
Stairs Street Water Extension.
City Hall for Public Meeting.
City Prison Fire.
Accounts.

TRURO PROTESTANT ORPHAN'S HOME.

David A. McDonald representing the Loyal True Blue Society and John C. Gass representing the Orange Society appeared before the Board asking for the privilege of soliciting subscriptions throughout the City for the purpose of raising funds for enlarging the Protestant Orphan's Home at Truro. The delegation is informed

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that their campaign will have hearty sympathy if brought on at a time when it will not conflict with other like activities.

GRAND PARADE - SALVATION ARMY HUT.

Read letter Salvation Army as follows -

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 11/19

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
Halifax N.S.

Honourable Sir:-

The Salvation Army would like to petition the Board of Control for permission to erect a temporary Army hut on the south end of the Parade, in connection with our drive in this city for Maternity Hospital and the Soldier's Reconstruction Campaign. This hut to be used by the Salvation Army for the giving to the returned Soldier and Sailor, doughnuts and coffee and other refreshments without charge. Several such huts were erected in Toronto, Ottawa, and Hamilton and other cities in connection with the Dominion War Work Campaign.

Assuring you of our full appreciation for the past courtesies extended and anticipating a favourable action, I beg to remain.

Yours for the Solidier,
A.S. Magann,
Campaign Director.

Mr. Magann appeared before the Board and stated that the hut proposed to be erected would be about 16x32 feet and would be required to be maintained for about 4, 5 or 6 months.

It is unanimously decided to grant the privilege the hut to be removed on or before June 1st, 1919

STREET RAILWAY - TRAMWAY CAR. NO. 6

Read report Controller Murphy as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 11, 1919

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In justice to the travelling public,

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it would seem well to ask the Tramway Company to call in Car No. 6 the condition of which can best be described in the words:- "Battered and torn, but still in the ring".

This piece of equipment, from all appearances, has been in service for at least twenty-five years and has certainly earned a rest.

John Murphy,
CONTROLLER.

The Secretary is instructed to forward a copy of the report to the Nova Scotia Board of Public Utilities with the request that they will investigate and deal with the subject.

GOTTINGEN STREET SEWER.

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Feb. 10, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached petition from owners of property on Gottingen Street north of Duffus Street asking for the extension of the sewer system. The distance required to accommodate the property owners is about 445 feet. I have written to the Relief Commission asking if the statement made in the petition that the Relief Commission would pay one-half ~~is~~ the cost, is correct, and attach their reply showing that it is not.

I would recommend that the sewer be extended 445 feet north on Gottingen Street from Duffus Street to drain the houses of the petitioners, and that further extension be made on this street when required on subsequent report.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

GRAFTON PARK BOUNDARY FENCE.

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Feb. 10, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Grafton Street Church have sent the attached bill - \$70- for erecting and repairing a fence between Grafton Park and Grafton Street church, which was destroyed by a storm. This was reported

*Miss B
Taylor
Secy
Tram Co*

*Engineer
Council*

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to the Board of Control at the time, and the understanding was that the City was to pay one-half, which would be \$35.00

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

The account is passed for payment out of any ~~cccc~~ fund to which it is properly chargeable.

VOTES FOR WOMEN.

Read letter Mrs. William Dennis, as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 10th, 1919

Mr. Monaghan,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir-

A number of women have spoken to me regarding the difficulty of registering their names in order that they may have a vote in the Provincial and Dominion Elections, when the women were given the vote in Vancouver, there were registration places I am told all over the city also that large employers of labour were furnished with forms on which they registered everyone in the building.

Here there is but one place at which to register and it is only open from 10 a.m to 4 p.m These hours practically shut out all working women, as everyone goes to work before 10 and few leave work as early as four. -e-e It seems a pity when the Dominion and Provincial Governments have given the franchise to women that it should not be made easier for them to get their names placed on the lists.

Agnes Dennis.

P.S. If the women should have a public meeting during the week would it be possible to have some responsible person there to register these who are entitled to vote.

The statute relating to the office of Registrar of Voters for the City of Halifax is read.

The Secretary is instructed to write Mrs. Dennis that the Registrar of Voters has not legislative authority to open an office elsewhere than in the City Hall.

The following communications forwarded -

Engineer
Clerk & Works
Auditor

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Mrs. William Dennis,
45 Coburg Road,
City.

Dear Madam:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your favor of the 10th inst. re improving the facilities for registering the names on the lists of voters. I placed your letter before the Board of Control at its meeting this morning when it was duly considered and I was directed to reply that the Act requires that the Office of the Registrar of Votes shall be in the City Hall in the City of Halifax, and that I have no legislative authority to open an office or offices elsewhere.

Some days ago, following our conversation over the telephone, I took this matter up with Hon. Mr. Murray, Premier of the province, who took considerable interest in your suggestion and thought it may be advisable to make some amendments to the Franchise Act making it easier for women to register. I think Mr. Murray would be very pleased to discuss the matter with you, if you would call at his office.

L. Fred Monaghan,
REGISTRAR OF VOTES.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING SPECIFICATIONS.

Read report City Electrician as follows-

Feb. 10th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Dear Sir-

With reference to specifications and estimates of cost for a new street lighting system, I regret that I have not yet received all the data necessary to make a full report.

The cost of Boilers and Engines are the items I need, which will be submitted for purposes of comparison with steam plant cost.

The fact that the City has now Boiler capacity at the Incinerator equal to half that required for a street lighting plant, should be considered in deciding on the type of plant to be used.

I have written to some of the Cities in Massachusetts for information re street lighting but to date have heard from but one, Springfield, where 2000 lamps of the luminous arc type are being used with good results. The superintendent however acknowledges the superiority of the gas filled lamp for residential districts.

Hon. Mr. Murray ✓
Mrs. Wm. Dennis ✓

City Electrician
Council

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I would have no hesitation in recommending the use of about 300 lamps of from 400 to 600 ~~xxx~~ c. p over the street railway line and on the more important streets outside of the down town district. But with the information at hand, I am not satisfied as to the type best suited for ~~wither~~ the business section or the suburbs and less important residential ~~diarrie~~ streets.

I have just received the following list of Cities in the New England States, that claim to have modern street lighting equipment in use.

- Boston
- Cambridge
- Springfield
- Hartford
- Providence
- Lynn
- Worcester
- Rochester
- Utica

P.R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Murphy that the City Electrician be delegated to visit various cities in the United States and Canada, including Westmount, Montreat, for the purpose of obtaining information necessary to better enable him to perfect a specification for electric lighting equipment for the City of Halifax. Motion passed.

* CITY PRISON UNDERKEEPER. T

Read ~~sepe~~ Application John McDonald for the position of underkeeper at the City Prison.

Referred to the Governor of the City Prison for report.

CITY PRISON GROCERIES.

Read report Governor City Prison as follows-

*City Electrician
Council*

*City Electrician
Council*

*Governor
City Prison*

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Halifax, Feb. 10 1919

To His Worship the Mayor,
Members of the Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

I beg to report that as no tenders for groceries have been received, I would respectfully ask for instructions regarding these supplies.

George Grant,
Gov. of City Prison.

*Governor
City Prison*

The Governor is instructed to continue purchasing groceries at current market prices from the present contractor until further advised by the Board.

CITY PRISON CONTRACT FOR BEEF.

Read report Governor City Prison as follows-

Feb. 6, 1919

To His Worship the Mayor,
and Members Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

As requested by Board of Control in re Prison meat supply I would report that of Robert McLeod & Son being \$15.98 per 100 lbs.

*Governor
City Prison
Council*

W.A. Maling & Co.	16.00	"	"	"
W.E. Dunn	20.00	"	"	"
W.D. Isner	16.50	"	"	"

I would recommend that the tender of Robert McLeod & Son being the lowest be accepted.

George Grant,
Gov. City Prison.

Approved.

CITY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT.

Read letter Board of Control Hamilton, Ontario, as follows-

The Board of Control,
Hamilton, Ont,
Feb. 3rd, 1919

The City Clerk,
Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Board of Control of the City of Hamilton to inquire:-

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(a) If your corporation has a General Purchasing Department and if so to kindly forward such departmental personnel, with salaries, duties, powers, etc., and if such service is satisfactory.

(b) The system followed by your corporation if no General purchasing Department is in existence, and if satisfactory.

(c) Do you consider the establishment of a General Purchasing Department for a city corporation including purchasing for all City Board advisable? An early reply will be appreciated.

H.L.Barr,
Sec'y Board of Control.

The Secretary is instructed to reply that the City of Halifax has no purchasing Department other than the Board of Control and to request the Hamilton Board of Control to forward a copy of its recommendations or report when its enquiries are recorded.

*Secretary
M/c Hamilton*

LYNCH STREET - CITY LOT.

Read report City Engineer as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 7, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the enquiry respecting the City's land on Lynch Street.

The City owns a lot 33'x100 one hundred feet north of Duffus Street on the west side. It was purchased for the gravel which was on it, and should be sold again when the proper lie of the proposed re-arrangement of Barrington Street.

The Relief Commission have not settled definitely the lines of the proposed change in the street and it would not be wise to sell this until we know exactly how the proposed change will affect the property. If sold now, it is quite possible that part of it might have to be bought back again.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to R.S.Allen , King Edward Hotel .

*R.S. Allen
City Engineer*

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WATER ACCOUNTS.

Read report City Engineer, as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 7, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Under the present system of book-keeping, the water accounts, Maintenance and Construction accounts are closed on the 30th of April under the provisions of the City Charter. It has always been the custom to make all other statements, in this Department for the calendar year, as there is less outside work between the end of the calendar year and the first of April than at any other time during the year, and there is consequently more time for doing the office work.

All stock taking and checking the supplies and expenditure is done as soon as possible after the end of the calendar year. The estimates for the new year have to be made up between the first of January and the first of May so that the bills may be sent out, and in making the estimates for the coming year we are always handicapped by a statement of past expenditure for about two-thirds of the year only. We have therefore practically to make an account for ourselves for a full year, which is most unsatisfactory.

I have consulted with the Clerk of Works and Auditor and City Collector and they agree that there is no reason why the Water Construction and Water Maintenance Account cannot be closed at the 31st of December to make it harmonize with the other work of the Water Department, except the provision in the Charter. I would recommend that the Charter be amended so that the Water accounts may be closed up the 31st, of December in future.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

The report is approved and the City Solicitor instructed to draft the necessary amendments to the City Charter.

CHANGING CIVIC YEAR.

The City Clerk is instructed to request the heads of the various departments to report in writing their views as to the advisability and practicability of changing the present civic year so as to make it synchronize with the calendar year.

Auditor
Assessor
City Collector
City Engineer
Clerk of Works
Council
Solicitor

Assessor
Auditor
Collector
Treasurer
Engineer

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EXPLOSION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS REPAIRS.

A delegation from the Board of School Commissioners consisting of W.R. Wakeley, Clifford P. Wind, and R.D. Guildford, and Supervisor Geo., K. Butler and Mechanical Superintendent Fred'k E. Hull, waited upon and addressed the Board.

It is decided to allot ~~XXXXXX~~ to the Board for payment of accounts for repairs to schools an additional sum of \$10,000.00 out of the \$33,300.00 recently borrowed from the Relief Commission.

*Auditor -
Treasurer -
Secy -
School Board*

Read letter School Board re accounts of H.E. Gates and W.T. Horton \$50.00 each for appraising explosion damages to Public Schools as follows :-

Halifax, Jan 31, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

In reply to yours of the 13th. inst. re H.E. Gates and W.T. Horton accounts, I am directed by the Board to say, that, as this appraisement was not authorized by the Board and as they had already previously had an appraisement made, they do not consider that they should be called upon to pay these accounts.

G.K. Butler,
Acting Secretary.

The delegation present is requested to reconsider the decision against paying the account and they agree to have the matter again considered by the School Board.

BLOOMFIELD SCHOOL PLAYGROUNDS.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary and Letters (2) Board of School Commissioners re

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proposed purchase for \$36,235.00 of lots of lands on the south side of Bloomfield Street for the purpose of enlarging the playground of Bloomfield School as follows (covering plan)-

Halifax, 5thm February 1919

The Mayor,
Halifax,
Dear Sir:-

I am directed by the Provincial Secretary to notify you that the following resolution has been submitted to the Governor in Council for approval, together with the contracts proposed to be entered into by the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax to purchase said lots of land and the plan showing their location.

"Resolved that an application be made to the Governor in Council for its approval of contracts to purchase lots of land on Robie, Bloomfield and Agricola Streets to provide a site to build a school building to replace that building known as Bloomfield Common School destroyed by the Explosion, of December 6th, 1917"

The options are with the following at the prices named:-

		<u>Assessed Values.</u>
Archibald E. King	12,000	8000.00
A Wyatt	3,235	2600.00
R. F. McKinnon	2,825	800.00
Edward Murphy	3,510	1200.00
Mary A. Donovan	3,000	2100.00
M. B. Boleman	5,350	2500.00
J. F. Campbell	6,200	3000.00
	36,235	22,000.00

I am to advise you that a hearing in this matter will be given on Wednesday, the 12th day of February at eleven o'clock, in the forenoon, in the Executive Council Room, Province Building.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

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Halifax, Feb. 11, 1919

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I am directed by the Board of School Commissioners to say that they are making application to the Governor in Council for their approval of the

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purchase of lots of land on Robie, Bloomfield and Agricola Streets as a site for a new Bloomfield Common School; and to request the Board of Control to cooperate with the Board of School Commissioners in securing legislation to close that part of Bloomfield Street lying between Robie and Agricola Street.

G.K. Butler,
Acting Secretary.

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His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I am sending you herewith plans of the lots on Bloomfield St. which the Board proposes to purchase as a site for the new Bloomfield Common School.

G.K. Butler
Acting Secretary.

The delegation present representing the School Board informed the meeting that the proposal of the School Board is to deed to the City a strip of land ten feet wide between Agricola and Robie Street be closed and passed to the Control of the School Board to form part of the Bloomfield School playground

The Board of Control unanimously agrees not to oppose the application made to the Governor in Council and the City Solicitor is instructed to prepare any legislation necessary in connection with the closing of Bloomfield Street and the transferring of the property.

LOUIS BURG STREET - WATER METER FOR E.D. GLENISTER.

Read application E.D. Glenister for the installation of a water meter at #30 Louisburg Street.

On motion of Controller Murphy the City Engineer is instructed to install the meter.

Engineer
Council

Auditor
Treasurer
Engineer
Solicitor
Council

Engineer

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WATER METERS.

Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by
Controller Hines that the City Engineer be
authorized to purchase water meters of the sizes
most needed according to his judgment up to the
limit of the balance of the appropriation avail-
able for the purpose. Motion passed.

ISLESVILLE STREET EXTENSION.

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Feb. 7th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the letter of Mrs William
Coolen respecting that portion of her property
which is involved in the proposed extension of
Islesville Street from Young Street to Russell
Street.

As I reported in the case of Mrs. mPritchard
and Mr. Hunt the assessors value the land in this
vicinity at 10¢ per square foot, which would be
\$423 for the land required from Mrs. Coolen. She
asks for \$900. which would be 21¢ per foot.
on the strength of the assessor's valuation
I have to report that the price named by Mrs.
Coolen is too high.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

The City Engineer is authorized to offer
Mrs. Coolen the sum of \$750.00 for her property.

GERRISH STREET ENGINE HOUSE.

Read report City Engineer re Gerish Street
Engine House as follows-

Feb. 7, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the attached extract from
Minutes of your Board respecting the Gerrish
Street fire station. The building is in a very
bad condition outside and in, and I do not think
the City would be justified in making repairs.

I am not aware that the site of the building
is of special value to the City for any purpose,
and I would recommend that it be sold for the best

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price obtainable. At the meeting of the Board on Oct. 6th, 1918 the following offers for this property were obtained -

Chas. Brister & Son	\$2225.00
John Simon	2550.00
W.H. Isnor & Son	800.00

F.W.W. Doanem
City Engineer

The City Engineer is instructed to advertise the Gerrish Street Engine House for sale.

POLICE MOTOR PATROL VEHICLE.

Agreeably to resolution of the Board the Secretary lays upon the table the undertaking between W.L. Kane and the City in respect to the purchase of a motor Police Patrol as set out in the Minutes of the Board June 8th, November 26th, December 3rd, December 10th, December 12th, and December 19th 1918.

The City Engineer is instructed to obtain as soon as possible by telegraphing for it if necessary and to submit same to the Board a copy of the standard specification of a Model 85/6 Overland Car.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS PLAYGROUNDS - ST. JOSEPH'S AND OXFORD SCHOOLS.

Read letter City Treasurer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 6th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor, Hawkins,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Sinking Funds held this day the investment of the funds on hand and in prospect of the various sinking funds on hand and in prospect, of the various sinking funds was discussed.

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I was instructed by His Worship the Mayor to again submit the proposal for the loan required for the purchase of playgrounds for St. Joseph's and Oxford Schools \$9438.33

I was further add that it is the purpose for the Trustees to use the funds of the various Sinking Funds of Schools, Silliker Car Works, 1898 and 1901 for the loans leaving that of 1902 intact for future use.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Approved.

WATER SERVICE AND FIRE HAZARD - LETTERS
BOARD OF TRADE.

Read letters (2) Board of Trade covering
copy of resolution as follows -

February 6, 1919

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members of the Board of Control.

Gentlemen-

I have been desired by the President and Council of this Board, to write and ask you if you would kindly furnish us with a copy of a report made, I think in 1916 regarding water conditions, and also copy of the report of the firm that tested for underground leakages, using, I understand a pitometer for the purpose.

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

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February 7, 1919

To His Worship the Mayor
and Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I enclose copy of resolution unanimously passed at Council meeting of this Board on Tuesday afternoon last which speaks for itself. Several notices have appeared in the Press of late with reference to the Water Situation in this City which can hardly do anything but harm and the immediate attention of your Honourable body is asked in connection with this matter.

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary.

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Treasurer ✓
Auditor ✓
Council

February 11th 1919

WHEREAS the reports on the Water Works system of Halifax by eminent Hydraulic Engineers, after a thorough test and examination, show that there are some eleven million gallons of water leaving the source of supply every twenty-four hours, and that over 50% of the same is lost through leaks in the mains, defective plumbing and careless waste by householders, and,

WHEREAS in view of this waste it has been shown that the City is sadly deficient in water for fire-fighting purposes, in consequence of which there is always a grave possibility of a fire spreading beyond the control of our firemen, and,

WHEREAS our own City Engineer strongly recommends that all the services on the Low System be metered as the only means of preventing the waste through defective plumbing, and careless waste by householders, which opinion is strongly endorsed by the outside Engineers previously referred to, and,

WHEREAS it is imperative that the City's water supply be conserved as far as possible,

THEREFORE RESOLVED that this Board place itself on record as being emphatically of the opinion that the City Authorities should at once take steps to instal meters in the case of all services now without them, and

FURTHER that every effort should be made by our City Engineer to discover leaks in the Mains in order that all waste through these sources may be stopped.

Referred to the City Engineer and the Chief of the Fire Department for attention and for report.

STAIRS STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition fro Water extension Stairs Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CITY HALL FOR PUBLIC MEETING.

Read letter Secretary Board of Trade-

Halifax, N.S.,
February 10, 1919

His Worship ~~the~~ Mayor Hawkins,
City.

Your Worship-

I wish to thank you for your courteous reply to letter from the above committee replacing the Council Room at the City Hall, at our disposal for meeting on Tuesday evening next. The

*Engineer
Chief Fire Dept*

Engineer

February 11th, 1919

WARD OFFICE, CITY HALL,

Chairman of the several ward committees, however, have decided in favour of holding said meeting in the Board of Trade Assembly Hall, and consequently we will not require your kind offer.

Again thanking you on behalf of the Committee.

E.A. Saunders,
Secretary.

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CITY PRISON FIRE.

Controller Hines reported that a fire in the stables of the City Prison this morning two horses and two colts and two cows and two calves were burnt to death and several thousand dollars worth of other property destroyed.

On recommendation of Controller Hines Governor

Grant is authorized to purchase a set of driving harness to replace the set lost.

Recommendation of Prison

ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts chargeable to Police Department are passed for payment-

A.W. Verity	Rep. Motor Cycle	\$83.05
Nova Motor Co.	Motor Parts	20.15
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		\$ 103.20

x The Board adjourned.

L. Fred Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

February 12thm 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.45 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controller Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

War Transport Service to Port of Halifax.

Explosion Repairs to Public Schools.

Estimates - Fire Department.

Salvage Corps.

Fire Department Revenue.

War - Fire at Munitions stores at Ocean Terminals.

Fires on Board Naval Ships.

Fire Department Improvement.

Aerial Fire Ladder and Water Tower.

Hose Drying Towers.

Motor Apparatus Mechanical Engines.

Fire Department Electrician.

Electric Wires.

Accounts.

WAR - TRANSPORT SERVICE TO PORT OF HALIFAX.

Read telegram from Prime Minister Sir

R.L.Borden's private Secretary as follows-

Ottawa, Ont, Feb. 11thm1919

The Secy Board of Control,
Halifax, N.S.

Have following cable for your Board from Sir Robert Boarden begins am advised that transportation of canadian tropps by smaller ships insures greater despatch in entraining troops for disper-sal centres and prevents congestion and confusion the action alluded to was based on this consideration.

G.W.Yates,

Prime Ministers Secy.

Agreeably to the desire of the Board His Worship the Mayor dictates and forwards the following reply to the Prime Minister's wire.

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G.W.Yates, Esq.,
Prime Minister's Sec'y,
Ottawa Ontario.

Sir Robert Borden's explanation for the taking of large steamships from off the

February 12th. 1919

port of Halifax route is only not satisfactory but the reasons given do not apply to Halifax Harbour.

In the entraining of troops for dispersal centres there has been no congestion here and confusion here. In every instance troops have been entrained with dispatch. We ask further consideration of this matter by the Prime Minister and feel if the action taken is adhered to it will be a black eye for the port of Halifax. Please cable our protest to Sir. Robert.

A.C.Hawkins,
MAYOR.

EXPLOSION REPAIRS TO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

On motion of Controller Finlay the Board instructs the Secretary to record upon the Minutes that in so far as paying over to the School Board the \$15000.00 for Explosion Damages referred to in resolution of February 6th instant and the \$10,000.00 of similar accounts referred to in resolution of February 11th inst. the intention of the Board in respect to the proviso that such amounts shall not be transferred to the School Board until the accounts are audited by the City Auditor and vouched for as satisfactory to him applies only to accounts for the month of January 1919 and not to the total expenditures of the School Board on Explosion accounts since the disaster.

ESTIMATES - FIRE DEPARTMENT.

The Board proceeds to the consideration of the Estimates for the Fire Department for the Civic Year 1919-20 and, subject to further consideration passed upon a number of the items as submitted in the schedules as submitted by the Chief of the Department.

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Salvage Corps.

Read report chief of Fire Department re the organization of a Salvage Corps as follows -

Fire Department, Halifax, N.S.
Feb. 11th 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to report re salvage corps as proposed. To maintain an up to date salvage corps would require at least one motor salvage car to be centrally located as this car would be needed at all alarms of fire no matter what part of the city the alarm might come in from, therefore the radius to be covered could not be satisfactory handled unless it be a car especially adapted for this particular work. The working crew should consist of ten men; one chauffeur, one assistant chauffeur and eight salvage men. At the present rate of wages paid the fire dept. this ~~est-~~ would make a yearly wage of \$10400.00. To equip and uniform those men with waterproof clothing bed and bedding would cost \$140.00 a man which would make a total of \$1400.00 There are several makers of salvage cars. The cost of which I have not gone into.

In respect to rubber covers and some other equipment that is necessary I think it would be obtained from the present Protection Co. at a normal figure. Should the Board decide on purchasing a salvage car this necessary equipment I think would be included in the cost price therefore the nearest estimate I can arrive to at present would be for the salary of men and the necessary personal equipment that they would require which would be about \$11800.00

J.W. Churchill,
Chief H.F.D.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Finlay that the report be approved. Motion passed.

It is unanimously decided to at once advertise for tenders for the supplying of a ^{motor} water salvage car and the City Solicitor is instructed to draft an act authorizing the City to borrow sufficient money to pay the cost of purchasing such apparatus.

*Assistant
Controller*

*Chief Fire
Officer*

*Chief Fire
Officer*

Recorder ✓
Clerk ✓
Auditor ✓
Solicitor ✓
Chief Fire Officer ✓
Deputy ✓

February 12th, 1919

Fire Department Revenue.

It is decided that the sum of \$ 427⁰⁰ erroneously credited during the current year to account of Sinking Funds from receipts from sale of Fire Department horses be transferred from that Fund to the current year's Fire Department appropriation. Controller Finlay dissents.

Auditor ✓
Treasurer ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓

War - Fire at Munitions Stores at Ocean Terminals.

The City Clerk is instructed to obtain from the Chief of the Fire Department the sum of the cost incurred by the Fire Department in wages and etc, in guarding the stores of munitions at the Halifax Ocean Terminals and to forward same to the ~~Halifax-Ocean-Terminals-and-to~~ Department of Naval Service Ottawa with a request for payment.

Chief Fire Dept ✓

Fires on Board Naval Ships.

The Chief of the Fire Department is instructed to bill the Department of Naval Service for the cost of extinguishing fires on board ships of the Department of Naval service, the Chief having verbally reported that the Fire Department had done so notwithstanding that it was quite possible for the Naval Department to have removed the ships which took fire out into the harbor, away from danger to other property and to then flood them with water by means of other ships equipped for the purpose.

Chief Fire Dept ✓

Fire Department Improvement.

Read report Chief Fire Department as follows-

February 12th, 1919

Halifax, February 11th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to report that your Board consider the advisability of an increase of pay to the members of the fire department. (1) I make this recommendation in view of the fact that sufficient suitable men cannot be obtained at the present rate of wages.

I also recommend;

(2) As recent experiences have demonstrated that more men must be added to the strength of the fire dept. that provisions should be made to enable this to be done. This will also provide officers for the different stations; such officers to have some remuneration above the ordinary firemen.

(3) That you consider the advisability of equipping our dept. with more ladders, in fact I will recommend the purchase of an aerial truck. This truck could also be used as a water tower if required and could carry wall ladders and which would give us two ladder trucks responding to all downtown alarms. In my opinion this matter is imperative for should an accident occur to the one truck responding to the downtown district the dept. might be out of action for some time or until the truck at West St. would arrive at the fire.

(4) That better facilities for drying hose in the winter months be installed in West St., Morris St. and Bedford Row Stations.

(5) That owing to the number of motor cars now in the dept. it becomes necessary to have a mechanical engineer to have supervision over this apparatus. I would recommend that such a man be appointed with sufficient salary to guarantee a first class man being obtained.

(6) That the City Electrician's dept. be a separate dept. from the fire dept. and that the Electrician's appropriation be entirely controlled by his own dept. At present it is the custom to combine the Electrician's dept. with the Fire Dept. Accounts contracted for by the Electrician's dept. have to be certified to by the Chief of Fire Dept. In nearly every case the chief has no knowledge of this bills being contracted for and at the least it is most confusing when certifying to such accounts. In fact I recommend that an electrician be placed on the fire alarm system whose duty it would be to devote his time to this particular branch of the fire dept. and no other.

(7) Owing to the extraordinary number of overhead wires and the time that will necessarily lapse to have those wires placed underground I would recommend that the Tram Co. be requested to cooperate with the fire dept. on alarms of fire. I would recommend that they be asked to have a car respond to all alarms of fire with men to cut wires and shut off current circuits as would be required by the fire dept. at almost every fire of any proportion.

J. W. Church, Jr.,
Chief H. & F. D.

February 12th, 1919

The report is considered clause by clause.

Read clause 1 re increase in pay of the men of the Department. Deferred.

Read clause 2 re the appointment of subordinate officers and their salaries. It is tentatively agreed that an official should be designated for each of the fire stations as the officer to be in charge of the station, the amount of increment in salary to be considered with the estimates for salaries. Aerial Fire Ladder and Water Tower.

Read clause 3 recommending purchase of a Motor Aerial Ladder and Water Tower.

The recommendation is approved and the City Clerk instructed to advertise for tenders for the supplying of such equipment to the City.

The City Solicitor is instructed to prepare an Act authorizing the City to borrow money for the purchase of a motor aerial ladder and water tower. Hose Drying Towers.

Read clause 4 re Hose Drying Towers. The Chief of the Fire Department is requested to submit a supplementary report with recommendations and an estimate of cost of fitting up one of the fire stations with suitable facilities for the drying of hose.

Motor Apparatus Mechanical Engineer.

Read clause 5 re the appointment of an expert Motor apparatus mechanical Engineer. Approved.

Recorder ✓
Clerk ✓
Solicitor ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
Auditor ✓

Chief Fire Dept ✓

Estimates ✓

February 12th, 1919

Fire Department Electrician.

Estimates

Read clause 6 re the appointment of an electrician for Fire Department duty solely. Approved.

Electric Wires.

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Read clause 7 re electric Wires. Approved and the City Clerk is instructed to write the Tramway Company asking them to comply with the recommendation of the Chief of the Fire Department .

ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts chargeable to the Fire Department are passed for payment-

Ungars Landdry	Laundry	23.90
National Drug Co.	Stores	10.25
Stairs Son & Morrow	Hardware	3.47
Wm. Regan	Stores	45.00
J. MacInnes	Lumber	15.23
David Roche	Stores	10.75
H. McFatrige	Horseshoeing	11.00
Halifax Val. Co.	Stores	2.50
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow	Hardware	3.56
Wm. Collings	Machine Sup.	43.67
Halifax Marine Engineering	" "	129.05
Buckley Coal Co.	Fuel	278.29
O. C. Marriott	Horseshoeing	21.25
Gutta Percha Rubber Co.	Stores	1.75
R. J. Whitten	Feed	2.00
Starr Manufacturing Co.	Repairs	45.50
Canadian Oil Co.	Gasoline	37.85
Edmonson & Petch	Waterproof clothing	199.50
Imperial Oil Co.	Stores	10.00
O. C. Marriott	Horseshoeing	26.00
Cragg Bros.	Motor Sup.	1.32
Robert Horner	Horseshoeing	39.50
Chas. Brister	Motor Sup.	33.80
A. J. McNutt	Repairs	4.00
N. S. T. & Power Co.	Light	81.30
Imperial Oil Co	Gasoline	213.95
American La France Co.	Motor Sup.	907.80
Frank Fraser	Feed	212.65
Bowser Equipment Co.	Equipment	505.35
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		\$ 2916.59

Account

The Board adjourned.

L. J. W. Mowbray
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

Council Chamber, City Hall.

February 13th, 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.30 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor, and Controllers Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

City Medical Officer.
Sherwood and Patricia Streets Water Trench.
City Prison Underkeeper.
Fire Department Apparatus.
Explosion-Painting City Hall.
Explosion-School Buildings Repairs.
Sailors Fund.
Superannuation Police Sergt. Robert N. Leahan.
Grand Parade-Salvation Army Temporary Hut.
War-Peace Conference Services of Intercession.
Water Pipe Line Encroachment Chebucto Road.
Tuberculosis Hospital Plans.
City Prison Fire Investigation.

CITY MEDICAL OFFICER.

Read resignation Dr. W. B. Almon, Acting City Medical Officer as follows:-

Halifax, February 11, 1919.

To His Worship the Mayor,
and the Board of Control.
of the City of Halifax.

Sirs:-

I hereby beg to tender my resignation as Acting City Medical Officer, such resignation to take effect on the first day of March next. (1919).

I have the honor to be,

Sirs,

Your obedient servant,

W. Bruce Almon.

Acting City Medical Officer.

The resignation is accepted and the City Clerk instructed to advertise for applications for the filling of the vacancy on temporary employment from month to month.

SHERWOOD AND PATRICIA STREETS WATER TRENCH.

Read Certificate Assistant City Engineer as follows:-

Dr W. Balwen ✓
Recorder ✓
Mail ✓
ccho ✓
City Health Board ✓
Council

February 13th, 1919.

Halifax, February 11th, 1919.

His worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

Certificate #5.

I beg to recommend payment to the Alcorn Construction Company of the sum of four hundred and twenty-four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$424.75) on account of their contract for excavating and backfilling water trench on Sherwood and Patricia Streets-

Estimated value of work done	\$1838.25
Less 15% retained	275.74
	<u>\$ 1562.51</u>
Less paid on certificates 1 to 4	1137.76
Bal. Recommended	<u>\$424.75</u>

H. W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The account is passed for payment.

CITY PRISON UNDERKEEPER.

The City Clerk informed the Board that the Governor of the City Prison desired applicants for the position of underkeeper of the City Prison to be between the ages of 30 to 35 years. It is decided not to restrict the qualification as to age and the advertisement for the newspapers is ordered to be inserted as follows:-

"Applications for the position of underkeeper at the City Prison will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock noon on Monday 24th inst."

FIRE DEPARTMENT APPARATUS.

The following advertisement calling for tenders for Fire Department apparatus is approved.

Halifax, Feb. 12th, 1919.

The undersigned will until 12 o'clock noon on Monday March 10th 1919, receive separate tenders for Fire Department equipment as follows:-

AERIAL LADDER.

One motor propelled combined Ladder Truck to carry aerial ladder extending to not less than 75 feet, water tower, wall ladders and standard equipment.

SALVAGE WAGGON.

One motor propelled salvage car capable for carrying crew of ten men. Separate tenders are

Recorder ✓
Mail ✓
Arts ✓
Governor ✓
City Prison ✓

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Recorder ✓
Audit ✓
Exch. ✓

desired for this car with and without standard equipment.

All tenders to be accompanied by specifications complete in detail, and bidders are requested to give consideration in draughting specifications to our local weather conditions and street grades.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

EXPLOSION-PAINTING CITY HALL.

The following report is passed for payment:-

Halifax, February 11th, 1919.

City of Halifax

In account with
Victor McLaren, Painter.

For painting Interior of City Hall-

Amount per contract	\$1838.00	
Extra on Board of Control room	30.00	
Painting & Graining Argyle St. Entrance Doors	25.00	\$1893.00
Paid on account (Certificate #1)		1800.00
Balance due		<u>\$ 93.00</u>

EXPLOSION - SCHOOL BUILDINGS REPAIRS.

Read reports City Auditor and Mechanical Superintendent Public Schools as follows:-

Halifax, February 13th, 1919.

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I have examined the accounts of the School Commissioners, expenditure on Buildings, Relief Commission for the month of January and find that the account of

Messrs. Brockfield Ltd.	for the period is	19,331.10
W. T. Harris & Son	do	21,917.76
Total		<u>41,248.86</u>

Less amount already paid Harris & Son..	18,000.00
Balance ..	<u>23,248.86</u>

The accompanying Certificate of F.E.Hull, Mechanical Supr. for the School Commissioners guarantees prices of Material and Labor, as correct.

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Messrs Brookfield Ltd. shows charge of 10% on cost.
Messrs W.T.Harris & Son do do
and a further charge for overhead expenses, including
such items as Workmen's Compensation, Book-keepers
Time-keepers Insurance, etc., \$267.25

Messrs. Brookfield Ltd., are entitled under their
contract to make a similar charge.

All material when received and time of workmen
on the job, is checked by the School Commissioners
employee.

W.W.Foster,
CITY AUDITOR.

The City Auditor is requested to submit a
supplementary report indicating how the prices
charged in the accounts of Brookfield Ltd. and W.T.
Harris & Son compare with the account of E. B. Lownds
for repairs effected in the City Hall.

SAILOR'S FUND.

Read letter Percy T. Strong as follows-

Halifax, 12th February 1919

Mr. Monaghan,
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir:-

As we wish to make a Final Settlement, in
connection with the "Sailors' Week" Campaign for
Funds, we would ask you to kindly favor us with
the cheque so kindly contributed by the City, to
this fund.

Percy T. Strong,
Hon. Secretary-Treasurer,
N.S. Div., Navy League of Canada.

The Secretary is instructed to notify Mr. Strong
that the City has not yet acquired the amount of
its proposed contribution to the Sailors Fund.

SUPERANNUATION POLICE SERGEANT ROBERT N. LEAHAN.

Read report City Treasurer on letter Mrs.
Margaret D. Leahan widow of Police Sergeant Robt. N.
Leahan re amount of superannuation allowance to be
paid her as follows-

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Auditor ✓

Percy T. Strong ✓

February 11th, 1919

Halifax, Feb. 11, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

The attached letter is herewith referred for your information and action.

Under Sec. 275 "The superannuation quarterly allowance of any pensioner dying during a quarter shall be paid to his representatives." This would seem to settle the point in so far as the payment from the Police Superannuation Fund is concerned.

As this pensioner was also in receipt of \$37.14 from the tax rate estimates of the City your decision on this point is requested.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Treasurer ✓
Auditor ✓
It is decided to authorize the payment to Mrs. Leahan of the sum of \$37.14 on the same basis as the amount payable out of the Police Superannuation Fund.

GRAND PARADE - SALVATION ARMY TEMPORARY HUT.

Read letter Salvation Army as follows -

Halifax, Feb. 12, 19

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
Halifax, N/S.

Honourable Sir:

Salvation Army ✓
The Salvation Army would like the permit from your Worship or the Board of Control to use the lumber used in the temporary hut on the south end of the Parade for Registration of Soldiers in the proposed Salvation Army Hut, the permission for which the Board of Control so graciously gave us.

Assuring you of our full appreciation for past favors.

A.S. Magann,
Campaign Director.

Engineer ✓
The City Engineer is instructed to loan the material to the Salvation Army is now available.

WAR - PEACE CONFERENCE SERVICES OF INTERCESSION.

Read invitation Very Reverend Dean Llewellyn as follows-

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Halifax, Feb. 12th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax
and Board of Control.

Dear Sirs-

A special service in observance of the governments request for the keeping of next Sunday as a day of Intercession for the Peace Conference will be held in the above Cathedral at 11 a.m. on that day. It is should prove convenient and agreeable for you to attend, we shall be pleased to reserve accommodations for your.

J.P.D.Llwyd.

Accepted.

WATER PIPE LINE ENCROACHMENT CHEBUCTO ROAD.

Read letter C.A.Proctor as follows-

Halifax, February 12th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
City.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the City Solicitor's letter addressed to John E. Butler, Armbridge, City, dated January 15th I beg to inform you that the property concerned is mine and not Mr. Butler's although the deed still remains in his name. You will please note that Mr. Butler has been asked to remove the feed shed which has unfortunately been built across the water right of way land on the property referred to and that the time limit is thirty days from the date of his notice.

The object of this letter is to respectfully request that you intercede on my behalf to secure an extension of three months, in which time I guarantee that the shed will be removed according to requirements of the City.

Thanking you in anticipation for your immediate action.

C.A.Proctor.

A copy of the letter is ordered to be forwarded to the City Solicitor.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL PLANS.

Read letter Dr. W.B. Hattie provincial Health Officer covering letter Dr. A.F. Miller Medical Superintendent N. S. Sanatorium Kentville re plans for proposed Tuberculosis Hospital as follows-

Solicitor
Engineer

February 13th, 1919

Halifax, February 12m1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Halifax.

Dear Sir;-

I am enclosing a letter just received from Dr. A.F. Miller relative to the plans for the proposed Tuberculosis Hospital. Some days ago, Major Gates Major Deane, and I went to Kentville with the plans and discussed them with Dr. Miller. At that time he seemed impressed with the estimated cost of the hospital, and has evidently been since giving it thought. I feel that you should know Dr. Miller's views, so I forward his letter to you in order that you may have an opportunity of considering what he says. Will you be good enough to return the letter after you have finished with it?

W.H. Hattie,
Provincial Health Officer.

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Kentville, N.S. February 11, 1919

Dr. W.H. Hattie,
Halifax.

My Dear Doctor:-

The more I think over the plans of the Tuberculosis Hospital for Halifax, the more I feel that the building is too costly a one to go ahead with and erect. You will probably find before it is completed that it will cost in the neighborhood of \$175,000 to \$200,000. With the size of the plant that we have in Kentville, does it not appear to you to be too much money to put out on a local hospital? I would not be at all surprised if at the end of five years we would start taking in Nova Scotia Patients, in order to keep the bed filled and as the sanatorium here will ultimately be turned over to the Province, it does not seem wise to spend so much money on a building that gives accommodation for a about fifty-four patients. Unquestionably in time the Sanatorium in Kentville will look after nearly all the Tuberculosis cases that we can handle in Nova Scotia.

In case however that the city authorities do not care to consider the Kentville accommodation I still feel that the scheme of placing all facilities under one roof is a very poor one as it practically eliminates the question of future expansion, as generally the power plant and service equipment is only put in for the size of the present institution.

While the length of 296 feet will make quite a long building there is no serious objection to this, provided it is broken up into sections say at least three units, with fire walls extending to the roof, so that in case of fire the whole institution need not be destroyed.

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Would it not be advisable to take the matter over again with the city authorities and recommend a more reasonably priced building for the care of consumptives in Halifax?

G.T. Miller.

Copies of the letters are ordered to be forwarded to H.E. Gates the architect for the building with the request that when calling for tenders for the structure he will ask for bids for fireresistive construction and in the alternative for ordinary construction.

CITY PRISON FIRE INVESTIGATION.

On motion of Controller Hines the Board decides to meet at the City Prison at 11.30 o'clock on Tuesday morning 18th inst for the purpose of holding an investigation into the cause of the fire in the Prison Stables on the morning of the 11th. instant.

The Board adjourned.

MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

*H.E. Gates
Engineer
Council*

*1/13/19
City Clerk
1/13/19*

Mayor's Office, City Hall,

February 14th, 1919.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

ESTIMATES COUNTY OF HALIFAX 1919-20.

In connection with the yearly estimates for the County of Halifax, C.E. Smith, Warden, and G. Parker Archibald County Clerk attended before the Board.

The details of the estimates are considered and tentatively approved as amended.

Mr. Archibald is requested to submit a statement showing in detail all sums claimed by the County to be due by the City as deficits for the past year, and any previous years including the sum of \$2200.00 shortage on account of County Jail maintenance in 1918.

*G Parker Archibald ✓
City Solicitor ✓
A S Banister ✓*

The City Solicitor is instructed to draft a letter for submission to the Attorney General re the growing cost of Criminal prosecutions, recommending that measures be taken to curtail the expenses in connection with travelling fees & etc.

The City Clerk is instructed to request the Local Government for a statement of the Sheriff's fees for the year 1918.

A. C. Hawkins,
MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan
L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

February 18th, 1919

The Board of Control met this morning at 10.40 o'clock, present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Finlay, Hines and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Loan \$297,200.00 for various purposes.
Warehouse on Cedar St. H.H. Marshall.
Explosion-Public School Repairs.
J.M. Garson -Junk License.
Motor Hack License- Roy Conrod.
Sergeant R. Leahan-Balance of Superannuation.
Fire Alarm Boxes-Military Hospitals.
Cash Statement City Treasurer.
Coal Weighers Monthly report.
Liquor Prosecutions R.H. Murray.
Removal Overhead Wiring V.J. Cavicchi.
Town Planning Board.
Dinner to Visiting Editors.
Letter of Condolence to Lady Laurier.
Street Lighting Account.
Repatriation Committee.
Islesville Street Extension Coolen Property.
South Street Sewer.
Arthur Wright.
Change Water Estimates.
Removal of Houses-Flynn Property.
Larch Street Permanent Sidewalks.

LOAN \$297,200.00 FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

The City Treasurer appeared before the Board regarding request of the Eastern Securities Co, the that the City, undertake the exchange of \$90000 Bonds for interim receipts outstanding, the exchange to be made through the Royal Bank at St. John, N.B, any expense involved to be borne by the Eastern Securities Company.

After hearing the explanation the Board agrees that the exchange be made in this way.

WAREHOUSE ON CEDAR STREET-H.H. MARSHALL.

Read petition against warehouse on Cedar Street as follows-

Treasurer
Auditor
Council

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Halifax, 13th, February 1919

Building Inspector,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.

Sir,

WE, whose signatures are hereto appended, being each and all of us permanent residents and house holders in that certain City block, situate on the North side of Cedar Street and bounded by Walnut Street on the West and Louisburg Street on the East in the City of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia, DO HEREBY PROTEST, firmly and absolutely to the erection of the proposed warehouse building in the aforesaid City block as advertised in to-nights issue of the "Halifax Mail" and WE PRAY that permission may not be granted to the applicant or applicants to proceed with the erection of same as the presence of a building of the nature proposed would be detrimental and objectionable to the adjoining residences, this section of the City being a purely residential district.

H.H. Marshall appeared before the Board

explaining that the warehouse would not be a fire menace or unsightly structure. He is leaving the City and will not return until April. The matter of granting the permit is held over until Mr. Marshall 's return.

EXPLOSION - PUBLIC SCHOOLS REPAIRS.

Read report City Auditor as follows:-

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 17th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
and Members Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

In answer to yours of the 13th inst., in re comparative prices for material charged by Messrs. Brookfield Ltd., -Harris & Sons, as against same in bill of Walter Lownds. The work at the Hospital was of a temporary nature use of Beaver Board, -while the work of the School Board was of a permanent nature, consequently materials used bear little comparison, however I find in the January bills, taking either Messrs. Brookfield Ltd., or Harris & Sons, to the School Board as compared with Mr. Lownds to the Hospital, corner Almon and Windsor Streets:

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<u>Brookfield & Harris</u>	<u>Cost plus 10%</u>	<u>Lownds charged net.</u>	<u>per cent Lownds extra charge.</u>
Spruce Sheathing	55 plus 10% - 60.50	65.00	7 1/2%
2 1/2 in. Nails	7 " 10% - 7.70	8.13	6%
3 in. "	6.20 " 10% - 6.83	8.13	20%

This to my mind is hardly a fair comparison as the Lownds bill was for work done in October, while the School Board bills in question were for January, consequently I have taken prices for all in October, placing, in this way, all on an equality.

<u>Brookfield & Harris</u>	<u>Cost plus 10%</u>	<u>Lownds charged net</u>	<u>per cent Lownds extra charge.</u>
Nails 2 1/2 in.	5.55 plus 10% - 6.10	8.13	34%
do 3 in.	5.50 " 10% - 6.05	8.13	34%
2x8 spruce	45.00 " 10% - 49.50	60.00	21%
3x4 spruce	37.50 " 10% - 41.25	50.00	21%
G&T. Flooring	50.00 " 10% - 55.00	65.00	18%
Sheathing	55.00 " 10% - 60.50	65.00	7 1/2%
Spruce Lining	55.00 " 10% - 60.50	65.00	7 1/2%
Gravel per bush.	14% "	.1595¢	57%
Cement, Bag	.95 " 10% - 1.04 1/2	1.25	21%

All showing conclusively from every standpoint that the Lownds bill was excessive.

The Brookfield-Harris bills when tested on the market prove that the School Board officials got the closest prices obtainable.

W.W. Foster,
CITY AUDITOR.

Auditor
Treasurer

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Murphy that the accounts as certified and presented amounting to \$23,282.42 be paid and the balance of the \$25,000.00 allotted to them be paid out as the accounts certified by the City Auditor are presented for payment. Motion passed.

J.M. GARSON - JUNK LICENSE.

Read communications from J.M. Garson and Bauld Bros re Junk License as follows-

Halifax, N.S. February 14th, 1919

L. Fred Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir-

I have your letter of the 6th inst, advising

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me that there is a petition directed to the Board of Control against me regarding my position at the head of Stayner's Wharf.

Since I have received by license from the City of Halifax, I went to Woodstock where I formerly did business, and closed up my business there, with the object of moving to Halifax.

I rented a wharf since I received by license and I am under obligations to keep the wharf.

I would be very glad if the Board of Control could have the investigation made as soon as possible as the fact that I am not able to begin business puts me in a rather awkward position.

May I say, the Board has no objection, that I would like to meet the business firms who have signed the petition, as I am persuaded that as soon as they know my standing and the nature of the business I intend to conduct that, unless they are competitors, no objections can be made.

J.M.Garson.

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The Board of Control.

I have had a call from Mr. Garson, who assures me he intends handling under his junk license, metals only, and does not propose to deal in rags, bottles or old bags.

If such is the case, then our objection to his business being a danger from a fire standpoint, falls to the ground.

Bauld Bros. Ltd.
Per H.G.Bauld.

Deferred pending report of City Engineer.

MOTOR HACK LICENSE - ROY CONROD.

Read application Roy Conrod for a Motor Hack License. The license is ordered to be granted.

SERGEANT LEAHAN BALANCE OF SUPERANNUATION.

The City Treasurer reported to the Board regarding the amount provided in the Estimates towards the superannuation of the late~~r~~ Sergeant Leahan.

On resolution ite was decided to authorize the payment to Mrs. Leahan of the balance placed in the current years estimates for superannuation of Robert Leahan.

*Engineer -
BoC ✓*

*and City
clerk ✓*

*Auditor
Treasurer
Council ✓*

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FIRE ALARM BOXES -MILITARY HOSPITALS.

Read letters Colonel W.E.Thompson and the
City Clerk, re fire Alarm Boxes for Military
Hospitals, as follows-

Halifax, N.S. 13th, February 1919

To,
Secretary, Board of Control.
City Hall.

Private Fire Boxes.

Camp Hill Hospital
Cogswell Stree Hospital
Pine Hill Hospital

Dear Sir,

With reference to my letter of the 7th inst-
ant on the marginally noted subject, can you now
favour me with the required information, please.

W.E.Thompson, Colonel,
Commanding Military District No. 6.

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Halifax, February 15th, 1919

Colonel W.E.Thompson,
Commanding Military District No. 6,
City.

Dear Sir-

In reply to your repeated inquiries re
Fire Alarm boxes for Military Hospitals, I beg to
say that the City Electrician informed the Board
of Control that he was taking the matter up with you
personally. This morning he told me by telephone
that he is awaiting information as to prices. I
will lay your letter before the Board of Control.

L.Fred Monaghan,
City Clerk.

Filed.

CASH STATEMENT CITY TREASURER.

Read cash statement City Treasurer for month
of January. Filed.

COAL WEIGHERS MONTHLY REPORT.

Read monthly report coal weighers showing
each man to have received \$71.82 for January. Filed.

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LIQUOR PROSECUTIONS R.H MURRAY.

*R.H. Murray
City Solicitor*

Read account R.H.Murray for Liquor Prosecutions under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act. The account is referred to the City Solicitor for report.

REMOVAL OVERHEAD WIRING - V.J.CAVICCHI.

Read letter V.J.Cavvichi as follows-

Halifax, February 17, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
& Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In the carrying out of our work here, it has been found advisable, so as to avoid any accidents to remove the overhead wiring to west side of street, we have consulted with the Companies concerned and find them quite agreeable to this change. We understand it is necessary to have a permit from your Engineer before making change, and beg to make application for same herewith.

*Engineer
Electrician*

V.J.Cavicchi.

Referred to the City Engineer and City Electrician for immediate attention.

TOWN PLANNING BOARD.

Read letter Town Planning Board, as follows-

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 10, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
City Hall.
Dear Sir,

This is to remind you of the decision of the Board of Control to fill two vacancies. ~~When~~ Would you please take this matter up at the next meeting of the Board of Control and ask the City Clerk to notify me of the decision so that I will have the names at hand whenever it may be necessary to call a meeting of the T.P. Board.

R.M.Hattie,
Secretary Town Planning Board.

*R.M. Hattie
and Godwin
and Parker
Council*

The Board appoints Aldermen Godwin and Parker to fill the vacancies caused by the resignations of Aldermen R.B.Colwell and E.J. Kelly.

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DINNER TO VISITING EDITORS.

Read telegram to Board of Trade as follows-

Montreal,
February 11, 1919

E. A. Saunders,
Secretary Halifax Board of Trade,
Halifax, N.S.

Party of about forty editors as referred to our letter January thirteenth will visit your city probably middle next week according to steamship movements. Could Your Board entertain them at luncheon or dinner providing at same time a number of short speeches covering the economic conditions your city and province showing developments and progress in mining lumbering shipbuilding farming etc. Editors would specially appreciate brief matter of fact accounts of conditions in each main industry by leading men in that industry. Please wire if necessary may be able come down tomorrow night.

The Canadian Railway War Board,
Per D. B. Cooke.

It is decided that the Board of Control attend the dinner to be tendered to the visiting Editors.

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE TO LADY LAURIER.

The Secretary is instructed to convey to Lady Laurier a letter of condolence from the Citizens of Halifax.

STREET LIGHTING ACCOUNT.

Read letter H.R. Mallison, as follows-

Halifax, February 15th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
City.

Dear Sir,

On the 30th of October last, December 10th and December 30th, I took the liberty of Addressing you with reference to the payment of the balance due us on account for street lighting, but so far we have not been favored with any payment whatsoever.

As the existing arrangement for Street Lighting expires on the 1st of March, Proximo, we would much

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appreciate receiving the amount retained from our Bill, and again beg that you issue the necessary instructions to insure us of the prompt payment of these long overdue sums. We would further be obliged if you would advise us what the City's intention is regarding the continuation of the Street lighting service after the expiration of the existing arrangement.

H.R. Mallison,
Managing Director.

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter and to inform Mr. Mallison that the matter is being given attention.

REPATRIATION COMMITTEE.

Read letter Repatriation Committee as follows-

Ottawa, February 15, 1919

His Worship,
Mayor Hawkins,
Halifax. N.S.
Dear Mayor Hawkins,

The Rev. Captain Thackeray who is in charge of the Voluntary organizations Department of this Committee is going down to the Maritime Provinces, and will give an address on the working of this Committee in your city, on Thursday the 20th.

I am sure that I need not ask for the cordial co-operation of yourself and the city Council in the good work that this Committee is trying to have done all over the country.

It was very pleasant but not unexpected to me, to have such a splendid report on the work of your local Committee in welcoming the Returned soldiers and their families as they disembarked from the voyage on the Atlantic.

Personally I have very pleasant memories of my own visit to Halifax, when the Un.C.M. held its annual- Convention there some years ago, and I am sure that I can bespeak for Captain Thackeray an equally pleasant time.

Let me repeat what I said in acknowledging the return of the post cards, describing the good work, that if this Committee can be of any assistance to you in any way, I shall be glad if you will write to me, and I will try and do what is wanted.

Harry Bragg,
Municipal Representative.

A copy of the letter is ordered to be forwarded to A.B. Mitchell.

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*H.R. Mallison
Engineer*

*Engineer
Director
Chief Clerk
Secretary*

Engineer

A.B. Mitchell

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ISLESVILLE STREET EXTENSION -COOLEN PROPERTY.

Read letter Wm. Coolen, as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 17, 1919

Mayor Hawkins, &
Board of Control.

Sirs:

Referring to the offer you made me of \$750.00 for property taken by the city for Islesville Street, in far below the actual value of property selling around me; also when the street goes thru, the sewerage on Islesville Street will take a portion of the money you offer and will leave a balance far too small for the valuation of the land, which comprises over two lots; also leaving a lot of 17 ft. which breaks a lot and takes the actual value of that lot; and therefore I considered \$900.00 was reasonable, but owing to my condition at present in money and have considered to make a new offer of \$800.00 (eight hundred dollars) which is the lowest offer I can take.

Trusting this will meet with your approval .

Wm. Coolen,

The City Engineer being present informs the Board that \$800.00 for the land is not excessive .

The Board decides to accept the offer at \$800.00 for land including strip on the East end.

SOUTH STREET SEWER.

The City Engineer informs the Board that he has had several bids for work of putting sewer in South Street.

The City Engineer is authorized to let contract for this work to whoever he deems advisable.

ARTHUR WRIGHT.

A communication addressed to His Worship the Mayor from Arthur Wright, Maine re possibilities for investment in these parts was left in the hand of His Worship for attention.

Engineer ✓
Auditor ✓
Clerk & works ✓
Solicitor ✓

Engineer ✓

Mayor ✓

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CHANGE WATER ESTIMATES

Read report City Treasurer as follows-

Halifax, February 18, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

As being more immediately concerned in the changing of the date in these accounts, for the simple reason that the office of the City Treasurer is the one centre at which the receipts of the City Collector, the expenditure of the City Works Department and the interest and sinking fund charges on the bonded debt are co-ordinated. I wish to strongly protest against any such change while the civic fiscal year closes on April 30th.

If the change were also made in the civic fiscal year I would have nothing further to say; but to make a special exemption for the water accounts will lead to endless confusion.

For instance, the annual estimates and reports of the City will show the interest and sinking fund charges from May to May against the Water Department. Obviously, to be correct, the same charges cannot appear in both statements, as a period of four months intervenes. To follow on, the interest charges are payable in January and July. Consequently to be logical if the books close on December 31st, there can be both the July charge made, as the January payment must appear in the next year's statement to which it does not really belong, and a false impression is given, which is avoided in the present system as both dates fall within the fiscal year.

Again, the bills for meter rates to September are usually completed, entered and delivered so as to be payable December 20th. Is it not plain that in eleven days, with the Christmas holidays intervening but little money can be collected to meet the interest due January 1st; hence an apparent, if not a real deficit may appear in the annual report if the books close on December 30th.

Let us see how the idea actually works out, taking 1918-18 as a test --Sec. 369 of the City Charter reads-- "The assessment shall be commenced in the month of May in each year for the next ensuing civic year; the valuation shall be completed by Dec. 31st and the books containing the annual rating and taxing shall be prepared, made up and delivered to the City Collector before March 15th in each year." Sec. 489 reads "The Collector shall forthwith after delivery to him of the rate book for city rates, make up a book of water assessment." etc., etc. Sec. 490 then concludes-- "Upon the basis of the valuations entered in such books and the amount to be raised from general rates the Board of Control shall strike the fire protection rate and the rate for domestic purposes for the year."

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The following appears in the report advocating the change -- "All stock taking and checking the supplies and expenditure is done as soon as possible after the end of the calendar year" hence no advantage can be taken of the figures that \$133,348 was required whether the year commenced January or May.

Now it must be obvious from Sec. 369, 489, 490 that if the year begins in January we cannot use the assessment books of 1918-19 made up as they are from valuations up to Dec. 31st, 1917 hence as there is only one rating a year we must perforce use that of 1917-18 made up to Dec. 31st, 1916, -- valuations two years old. Result-- special and meter rates 1917-18 \$75,000 against 1918-19 \$79,800 and what is infinitely more to the point a flat rate of 1917-18 \$51612 against \$585 49, 1918-19. In short, it means either an insidious attempt to raise the rates upon an estimated lower valuation or a lack of fundamental knowledge as to how the lower valuation will affect the water estimates.

Again, as the bills of rates issued by the City Collector under Sec. 489-490 call for payment on May 1st, it follows that no revenue for the year is provided until that date and might compel another advance from the Bank, which would, to my mind, be extremely undesirable, and in any case it would jumble up the receipts of any one year in a vastly more complicated way than even now.

Take up the question of the landlords. In renting a house from May 1st, in re change, he would know the rate fixed from January to December. If his house were valued at \$4000 in 1917 and \$5000 in 1918, would he not be confronted with a bill at \$4000 for eight months' rates and a bill for \$5000 for four months? In short who would pay the difference, -- landlord, tenant or city?

I might go on and multiply instances of the confusion that will ensue. I occupied the position of Assistant Clerk and Clerk of Works for twenty-three years, and I do know that the report and balance sheet of that department were ready for the printer during May, even though the accounts closed April 30th, and I do know that the estimates since 1912, when Senator Dennisthen Alderman, insisted upon the accounting and engineering offices being kept separate and distinct, were made up on a basis of ten months of the year in question with the March and April expenditure of the preceding year, which months vary little from year to year.

If, as the report says, it be most unsatisfactory to make up estimates on the above basis, then the City Charter which orders the civic estimates to be made up on or before Dec. 31st - a basis of less than eight months -- is in more need of a change than that of the water estimates, which can be made up on a basis of at least ten months.

I therefore respectfully request that due consideration and weight be given the above statements, and if such be done, I feel sure that no change will be made unless the civic fiscal year as a whole be included.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

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Engineer

The report is referred to the City Engineer for consideration.

REMOVAL OF HOUSES FLYNN PROPERTY.

The City Engineer informed the Board that he had received several applications from parties to remove the houses on the Flynn property.

Engineer

The matter is referred to the City Engineer with the object of having it laid out in lots and streets, and to prepare plans of the property and then advertise.

LARCH STREET -PERMANENT SIDEWALKS.

Engineer

Read petition property owners and residents of Larch Street for a permanent sidewalk. Referred to the City Engineer for report.

The Board adjourn ed.

L. M. Mowaghan
CITY CLERK

MAYOR?

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL.

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A special meeting of the Board of Control was called to consider a report from Governor George Grant, regarding the recent fire at the City Prison.

Present:- His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Murphy, Hines and Finlay.

City Prison Fire
After carefully weighing the circumstances connected with the fire, as brought out in the Governor's report, it was felt that there was nothing to justify any further investigation being made, and the report was filed.

The Governor submitted a detailed statement of the loss of live stock and equipment, totaling \$1,190.00, with a recommendation that replacement be arranged for; also for the rebuilding of the barn. It was decided to take tenders for this work.

UNDERKEEPER ALFRED ROBINSON.

A report of Governor George Grant was read of neglect of duty of Underkeeper Alfred Robinson, in having carelessly left his revolver exposed in his room, and of its having been stolen. On recommendation of the Governor it was decided to dispense with the services of this underkeeper. The Governor asked if he would deduct the value of the revolver from the balance due for wages. The Board felt that in as much as his services were being dispensed with it would be as well not to make this charge against him.

LETTER FROM MR. C. J. CROWDIS.

A communication was read from Mr. C.J.Crowdis, Acting Secretary of the Civic Welfare Committee, asking that the services of the City Solicitor be placed at their disposal, to assist in preparing legislation

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for the abolition of the Board of Control System. It was decided, on motion, to reply to the communication pointing out the Board's desire to assist the Committee with any information required on the work in hand, and that the City Solicitor's services would be at their disposal for this purpose, it being understood that in his official capacity he could not be directly associated with the Committee, as it might be necessary, on behalf of the City that he oppose the final changes, if any, which the Committee may introduce, but that in his private or professional capacity, the actions of the City Solicitor are entirely free, and a resolution that such an acknowledgement be sent was passed, Controller Finlay dissenting.

The Board adjourned.

MAYOR.

L. J. Moran
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10.20 o'clock, present His worship the Mayor and Controllers Hines, Finlay and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Installation Laundry Plant City Home.
Sherwood and Patricia Streets- Progress Payment.
Abattoir.
Abattoir Tenders.
Night Guard City Pirson. Gallant.
Abattoir Equipment.
City Home Nursing Staff- Increase of Pay.
City Home Nursing Staff- Shorter Hours.
Resignations - Policemen Hugh P. Campbell and Hugh Scott.
105 South Kline Street-Damage by Blasting.
Badges for Citizen Police.
Telephone Service Chief of Police and Detective.
Boat Club in Residential District.
Shop in residential district- South side of Quinpool Road and Preston Street.
Grand parade Temporary Hut-Protest St. Paul's Church.
Explosion -Dilapidated Building Islesville Street.
Resolutions re abolishing the Board of Control.
Policeman George Mullaley- Reinstatement.
Sewer- Waegwoltic Club.
Riot Damages.
Incinerator-Boiler Insurance.
Loans \$297,200.00 and \$133,500.00 Sale of Bonds.
Fire Department -Superannuation, Assessments, Refunds.
Serbian Children-Subscription to Fund.
Maritime Directory Company.
South and Oxford Street Sewers.
Tuberculosis Hospital.
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Sewer and Building Permit Norwood St. G.R. Marshall.
Warehouse Cedar St.
Street Widening.
Police Station Reconstruction.
Junk Dealers Premises.
Street Lighting Account.
Water Bill Mrs. Jessie Horne-202 North Street.
Bloomfield School Playground.
Fire Alarm Box #18.
Repatriation And Employment Committee.
City Prison Underkeepers.
Overhead Wiring.
Waterloo Street Lighting.
Mumford Road Diversion.- Dr. J. Gordon Bennett.
Estimates.
Reception to Returned Soldiers.
Barn City Prison.
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INSTALLATION LAUNDRY PLANT CITY HOME.

Controller Hines and the Superintendent of the City Home informed the Board that the Laundry Plant had been completed and in good working condition in the City Home and submitted the account for installation and equipment for payment.

The account \$4439.94 is passed for payment.

SHERWOOD AND PATRICIA STREETS - PROGRESS PAYMENT.

Read report Assistant City Engineer, as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 25m, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

Certificate #6

I beg to recommend payment to the Alcorn Construction Company of the sum of four hundred and fifteen dollars and fourteen cents (\$415.14) on account on thier contract for excavating a trench for water pipe on Sherwood and Patricia Streets-

Estimated value of work done	\$2326.65
Less 15% retained	349.00
	<u>1977.65</u>
Paid on certificates 1 to 5	1562.51
Bd. recommended	<u>\$ 415.14</u>

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The account is passed for payment.

ABATTIOR

Read report Asst. City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 24, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control that a fifty horse power capacity boiler was recommended for the Abattoir on the grounds of economy and ease of operation. With the exception of the refrigerating plant, at present there will only be two small motors required to operate these machines intermittently, and as it may be required to operate these on occasions when there would be no other generating steam, it would not be as economical with the present proposed equipment of the abattoir to keep steam up for running these pieces of machinery as to install

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a motor and use only such power as is required from time to time.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

*Engineer
Council*

The tender of Longard Bros for supplying boiler to the Abattoir is accepted (See Board of Control Minutes, February 6th, page 1310)

ABATTOIR TENDERS.

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 21st, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

*Engineer
Council*

Since the abattoir tenders were received I have received two additional tenders - for the drain.

V. Tomarelli \$4.55 a foot
C. McGillivray 4.55 " "

The lowest figure in the previous tenders was \$5.57. I would recommend that C. McGillivray's tender be accepted.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Approved.

NIGHT GUARD CITY PRISON GALLANT.

*Governor City
Prison*

Governor Brant appeared before the Board recommending the appointment of Gallant as a night guard at the City Prison.

Moved by Controller Hines seconded by Controller Murphy that Gallant be appointed as night guard at the City Prison. Motion passed.

ABATTOIR EQUIPMENT

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 24, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

As your Board is aware, the plan adopted for the City abattoir is a compromise between a complete abattoir in the modern acceptance of the term, where ever practice of material is utilized for obtaining the most effective financial results from the animals killed, and an ordinary slaughterhouse where

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only the meat is retained and the rest of the carcass with the exception of the hides goes into the offal heap. The intention of the plan as designed, is to recover the meat, heart, liver, tripe and tongues, all other portions of the carcass to be treated as indigestible and reduced to fertilizer, although room is provided to instal machinery to carry further the process of recovering edible and other products if it is thought advisable to proceed further in this direction.

Several meetings were held by the Board of Control and City Council, at which citizens, representing the butchers and meat handling trades were present. The view expressed by the latter, and which was adopted, was that provision should be made for the killing and dressing of a maximum of one hundred beeves and one hundred sheep per day, and that special provision need not be made for hog killing, as insofar as Halifax is concerned this would be done in the country in small quantities and the carcasses brought to the City for distribution. However, the arrangement is such that if hog killing be decided upon, it can be taken care of.

The killing is done on the top floor, the animals being driven up a runway, and after dressing, the carcass is lowered by a lift to the floor below where provision is made for the chilling of the meat for a period of 24 hours, when it is intended it should be removed by the dealers. The hides and pelts are taken by chute to the storage rooms in the basement. The design of the killing floor provides for three beds, but it is thought that at present one will be sufficient to take care of the slaughtering required. When it is necessary to operate additional beds, the equipment will be put in place.

The equipment necessary to operate under these conditions is as follows - 1 automatic cattle knocking pen, one single beef hoist, one double hoist, shackles, heading bed travellers, regular beef and sheep travellers, bleeding rail, necessary rails and switches, one automatic rail dropper or lift for lowering the carcass to the cooler from the killing floor, one rendering tank, one slush tank, one blood cooking tank, one blood recovering tank, hydraulic tankage press complete with car and pump, refrigerating plant, motors for driving the hoists and hydraulic press pump. The hoists will require on ten horse power motor and one five horse power.

If the fertilizer is to be sold as a finished product a dryer should also be installed, but it may prove more advisable to sell the pressed tankage to a fertilizer company to finish its manufacture. If this be done, a dryer may prove unnecessary and a saving in present cost of equipment of about \$2000 obtained. I am not including the dryer in the estimates of cost.

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I have prices for the above mentioned equipment, as follows-

Refrigeration Plant.

The Canadian Ice Manufacturing Co. Ltd.	\$11,500.00
The Linde Can. Refrigeration Co.	7,130.00
the Brecht Company	7,020.00

The last tender is f o b factory St. Louis and does not include installation. The first two tenders are for the installation complete tested out and left operating, except that the Linde tender provides for delivery f o b cars Halifax, and the City would have to pay for the unloading and truckage to the abattoir and also for any mason or carpenter work required.

<u>Motors.</u>	<u>5 h.p.</u>	<u>10 h.p</u>
Canadian General Electric Co.	153.00	325.00
Canadian Westinghouse Co.	153.00	381.00

Other Equipment.

The Brecht Company, New York,	\$6105.50	f.o.b. St. Louis
Wm. R. Perrin Co. Toronto	6649.75	f o b cars Toronto
The Albright Nell Co. Chicago	6684.50	f.o b cars Chicago.

Taking duty and freight into account, the tender of Wm.R.Perrin is the lowest.

In addition to this equipemtn there will probably be other material requiped, the cost of which may amount to about \$2000. Under existing labour conditions it is hard to estimate accurately the cost of instal- lation of the above equipemtn, but another \$2000. should be allowed for this work. Eventually shed and pen accommodation and a railway siding will be necessary, but these requ irements can be better determined after the abattoir has been in operation.

The efficiency and economy in operating the plant will depend in a large measure on the proper instal- lation of the equipment and it would be a wise policy to have an expert man lay out the details of this work and superintend the installation of it. This need not delay the purchase of the machinery, as all the material mentioned will be requiped and the capacity is suitable.

The three firms who have submitted tenders, have so far as I can learn, had a large experience in this class of work, and the successful bidder would be able to provide a competent man to prepare the de- tailed plans of installation and advise as to the best methods.

In a general report on a City abattoir submitted by me to the Board on the 25th of February 1916, it was stated that if the abattoir were built there would be three methods of operation open- one, for the City to lease the building outright to an in- dividual or company to be operated under such provision and regulations as might be determined, secondly, for the City to provide a superintendent and the necessary help for doing all the work except the slaughtering and dressing, which would be done

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by the butchers themselves and a fee paid for the same, and thirdly, for the City to operate the whole plant, doing the slaughtering themselves and charging for it. If the first method were adopted, a rental should be fixed and a sum charged, sufficient to cover the interest and depreciation of the whole plant and investment. If either of the others were decided upon, fees should be fixed to cover interest, depreciation and running expenses. These fees could be reduced from the sale of fertilizer. I think that the above matters should be taken up and the method of operation decided upon.

To secure thorough protection for the citizens in the matter of their meat supply a law should be passed that no meat be offered for sale except such as has had a proper inspection. Most of the meat coming into the City from large abattoirs in the Upper Provinces, has on it the inspection mark of the Department of Agriculture. In order to realize the full benefit from the City abattoir the sale of any meat within the City without proper inspection should be prohibited, and all meat offered for sale should have the proper inspection mark thereon. For this reason, no slaughtering within the City should be allowed, except at the City Plant. As it will be necessary to obtain legislation to compel this, the question of the method of operation of the abattoir should be immediately taken up and a decision arrived at and such legislation as may be required obtained.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The matter is deferred until Thursday's meeting for further consideration.

CITY HOME NURSING STAFF - INCREASE OF PAY.

Read application Nursing Staff of City Home for increase of salary. Deferred until consideration of the Estimates.

CITY HOME NURSING STAFF - SHORTER HOURS.

Read application Nursing Staff City Home for shorter hours as follows-

Halifax, January 8th, 1919

To the Board of Control.
Gentlemen-

We the undersigned humbly ask your Body for shorter hours, as the hours now are too long. In summer our hours are 5.30 a.m. to 8.30 p.m. being 16 hours a day and in winter from 2 a.m. to 8 p.m. 14 hours with 30 minutes for meals. So you will

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see by this, that our hours are extremely long.
We also ask you that we have a half day a week
and a half day ever 2nd Sunday.

Hoping you will comply with our request we
remain, your humble servants.

Mrs. Sarah MacIntosh et al

Referred to the Superintendent of the City Home
for report.

RESIGNATIONS- POLICEMEN HUGH P. CAMPBELL AND
HUGH SCOTT.

Read resignations Policemen Hugh P. Campbell and
Hugh Scott. The resignations are accepted.

105 SOUTH KLINE STREET-DAMAGE FROM BLASTING.

Read report Assistant City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 24, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the accompanying bill from
Joseph Lockyer for damage to his property, caused by
stones from blasing on Saturday the 18th of Jan-
uary, that the City workmen were excavating a trench
for laying a service pipe to a property on the west
side of Kline Street.

This trench was in rock, and the usual pre-
cautions were taken to avoid stones flying from the
blasting. Several shots had been fired without any
damage, and the same precautions were taken with
regard to the one that did the damage. There must
have been a pocket of some sort in the rock, which
allowed the debris to rise in spite of the precautions
taken.

I went to the house two days lafter the damage
was done, and went over it with Mrs. Lockyer. The
amounts charged in the bill, submitted, are in my
opinion excessive, and I would estimate that the
total damage, excepting the item of painting and paper-
ing/wall, would not exceed \$45.00 With regard
to this item, the paper on the wall and ceilings
was cracked and cut in places and from the best
information I can obtain, this was due to the blast-
ing. Mr. Lockyer called at the office this week and
after discussion he agreed to take my valuation
of the rest of the damage if we paid him the \$50.00
for this item, or a total of \$95.00

Without admitting the legal liability of the City
it would seem that in fairness the damage done should
be replaces, and as the estimate of \$95. in my judg-
ment a reasonable, one, I would recommend that the City
pay Mr. Lockyer this amount without prejudice on his
giving an undertaking releasing the City from all claims.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

J. H. Buchanan

Chief of Police

*Engineer
Clerk / Works
Auditor*

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Approved.

BADGES FOR CITIZEN POLICE.

The Chief of Police is authorized to purchase the number of badges necessary for the Citizen Police now being sworn in.

TELEPHONE SERVICE CHIEF OF POLICE AND DETECTIVE.

The Chief of Police is authorized to have a direct line telephone service installed in his office and also in that of the Detectives, the extra charge to be paid out of Police Funds until provision is made for the extra expenditure in the estimates.

The City Engineer is instructed to have the necessary two trunk lines put in.

BOAT CLUB IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read report Assistant City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 25, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to submit herewith application from St. Mary's Boat Club for permission to erect a boat house on the eastern side of the North West Arm between Coburg Road and Jubilee Road.

Advertisements have been published in two papers, three insertions each, calling on any person who had any objection to the erection of this boat house, to lodge the same with the Building Inspector. None have been received.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

Approved.

SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT-SOUTH SIDE OF QUINPOOL ROAD AND PRESTON STREET.

Read report Asst. City Engineer as follows-

Chief of Police
Auditor

Chief of Police
Auditor
Engineer

Engineer
Auditor
Engineer

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His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to submit herewith application from Louis P. Hutt for permission to erect a shop on the south side of Quinpool Road between Preston Street and Louisburg Street.

This is in the residential district. An advertisement was inserted in two papers, three insertions each, notifying the citizens who had any objections to this shop to lodge such objections with the Building Inspector. None have been received.

H.W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer.

The permit is ordered to be granted.

GRAND PARADE-TEMPORARY HUT- PROTEST ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Read letter Rev. Archdeacon Armitage protesting against the erection of the temporary hut on the Parade as follows-

Halifax, 19th February, 1919

To His Worship the Mayor and
the Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

It is not within the power of your Body to grant permission to any one to erect a building of wood in the Grand Parade, and in behalf of the Corporation of St. Paul's Church, I wish to enter a most earnest protest against the erection of the building proposed at the present time.

The southern portion of the Grand Parade was in the original allotment to St. Paul's Church and it has been customary to ask our permission in matters of this sort. As a matter of principle I now protest against the action of your Board, which is quite ultra vires.

W. J. Armitage,
Rector St. Paul's Church.

Deferred pending a report from the City Solicitor.

EXPLOSION -DILAPIDATED BUILDING ISLESVILLE ST.

Read report Board of Health as follows-

Halifax, N.S. February 24th, 1919

His Worship Mayor Hawkins,
and Members Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

At our request the City Engineer had the assistant building inspector examine the building at

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the corner of Almon and Islesville Street and ~~the~~ other buildings on Almon Street. He reports that the buildings on the corner of Almon and Islesville Streets were badly damaged by the explosion and have been unoccupied since. He states that they are in a very dilapidated condition, the doors and windows gone and the building open to the public. It is a fire menace to adjoining properties. He reports that the buildings on the other side of Almon Street are in practically the same condition and recommends that the owners be notified to have the buildings boarded up, and that steps be taken to either make permanent repairs or have the buildings removed. The engineer endorsed the report. The information is submitted for your information.

John A. Watters,
Secretary C.H.B.

Engineer ✓

The City Engineer is instructed to notify the owners of the property to appear before the Board to show cause why the buildings should not be removed or repaired.

RESOLUTIONS RE ABOLISHING THE BOARD OF CONTROL.

Read letter Board of Grade covering resolutions passed by that body as follows-

Halifax, February 19th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
Halifax, N.S.
Dear Sir:-

Solicitor ✓

I have the honor to transmit herewith for your information by direction of the Committee of ONE HUNDRED, now considering reform in the plan of City Government, at its meeting last evening two Resolutions asking for the abolition of the Board of Control and a return to Aldermanic Civic Government and also asking for the co-operation of the learned City Solicitor in assisting in the preparation of the necessary Legislation with that end in view.

The Provincial Legislature meets on the 27th inst., and it is proposed to have a bill introduced at once and passed into Law in preparation of the coming civic Elections on April 30th, next. The Committee would therefore respectfully ask you to request the City Solicitor to assist the special Committee in this legislation. That Committee consists of Alfred Whitman, K.C. Chas Bell, mJohn W. Regan, H.E. Rains, Esquires, J.J. Power K.C. and George Hellier, with a substitute of Rev. C.J. Crowdis.

C.J. Crowdis,
Secretary pro tem.

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Resolution number 1.

Resolved that in the opinion of this meeting a return should be made to the old form of aldermanic Government, and the present Board of Control abolished.

Resolution number 2.

Resolved, that a committee of six, one from each ward, with a City Solicitor be appointed to draft a bill, which will be submitted to this meeting for approval, and thereafter introduced into the House of Assembly by a Member of the Local Government representing this County, and further that a copy of this Resolution be sent to His Worship the Mayor with the request that he ask the City Solicitor to co-operate with the Committee in the drafting and preparation of the necessary legislation.

Filed.

Read answer His Worship the Mayor as follows-

Halifax, February 21st, 1919

Alfred Whitman, Esq., Chairman,
Civic Reform Committee,
City.

Dear Sir:-

A letter bearing date of the 19th. inst. from Mr. C.J. Crowdia Acting Secretary of your committee enclosing copy of a resolution passed at a recent meeting was considered by our Board at a meeting held yesterday.

We are anxious that your Committee should have any information possible on the work which you have in hand and feel sure our City Solicitor will be pleased to give you any details of the present system and of the changes which the introduction of any other form of civic government would make necessary to the City Charter. You will of course understand that the Solicitor could not, in his official capacity be attached to your Committee, as it is quite possible, on behalf of the City he might have to oppose the final changes decided on by you. However, in his private or professional capacity he is perfectly free to associate himself in any way with your work.

Assuring you of our desire to place all information possible at your disposal, I remain.

A. C. Hawkins,
MAYOR.

Controller Finlay opposes the action of the Board.

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POLICEMAN GEORGE MULLALEY-REINSTATEMENT.

Chief of Police -

Read application George Mullaley for re-instatement in the Police Force. On recommendation of the Chief of Police Mr. Mullaley is reinstated.

SEWER-WAEGWOLTIC CLUB.

Engineer -

Clifford J. Woods, Charles W. Ackhurst and Harvey B. Smith representatives of the Waegwoltic Club appeared before the Board asking that the discharge of sewage into the North West Arm near their property be discontinued before their Club opens for the season.

The City Engineer is instructed to send an official report to the Committee for their Annual Meeting and to call for tenders for the work on constructing the outfall for the North West Arm Sewer.

RIOT DAMAGES.

Read letters from persons whose property was damaged in the Riot of February 19th, 1919 as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 23, 1919

Mayor Hawkins,
Dear Sir,

Having one of our windows broken on Wednesday night in the riot, and as the Insurance people would not have anything to do in replacing it, I did it myself at a cost of \$45.00 to Mr. David Roche.

I would like to ask you, sir, if any of the other citizens who have lost plate glass will receive any recompense, will you please have my name put on the list, and if they have to lost I will be satisfied to lose also.

Mrs. Ella Wyatt,
Restaurant Keeper.

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Halifax, N.S. 21st, February 1919

To A.C. Hawkins, Esq.,
Mayor of the City of Halifax.
Dear Sir:-

I am one of the persons who suffered by the riot on Wednesday night, the 19th inst. I am a merchant, my place of business being 25 Gottingen Street. My shop was wrecked and so far as I am able to appraise the loss at the present time it amounts to more than \$1600.

My claim is that as I pay taxes I am entitled to protection for my property. I respectfully refer you to Section 259 of the City Charter, in which the City is charged with the duty of preserving peace and preventing offenses against property.

Further, I may say that I understand that damage caused by mobs has always been considered a just burden cast upon municipalities, and that they made good all losses sustained by the action of unlawful assemblages.

I am willing to submit my losses to the scrutiny of any of your officers as I anticipate that the City will, as is usual in all such cases, recoup me for the damages.

Louis Blume.

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Halifax February 22nd, 1919

The City of Halifax,
City Hall.

Dear Sirs:-

Enclosed herewith please find our invoice in the amount of One Hundred and Three Dollars and Ninety Five Cents (\$103.95) for Plate Glass to replace 2 lbs plate broken at the Frisco Cafe on account of the Riot of Wednesday Night February 19th.

Kindly favor us with your cheque to cover at your earliest so as to adjust the matter.

Frank Reardon.
Per F. Reardon J.R.

Referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion.

INCINERATOR BOILER INSURANCE.

Read report Clerk of Works as follows-

Halifax, February 22, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to advise that boiler inspection insurance policy on boiler at Incinerator for \$5000.00 through A.S. Wylde Agency, will expire on 28th inst.,

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*Engineer
Club & Works.*

and ask your direction as to renewal of same.
Premium for one year \$21.80

A.F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Approved.

LOANS \$297,200.00 and \$133,500.00-SALE OF BONDS.

Read report City Treasurer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 24, 1919

His Worship ~~the~~ Mayor Hawkins
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In re sale of City Bonds Sec. 345 of the City Charter provides for direction when the sale of bonds fail to produce the amount authorized to be borrowed. Sub-Sec. # of Sec. 356 provides that the City Treasurer shall pay into the General Sinking Fund and money received as a ~~pay-i~~ premium on any loan affected.

In the present instance the premium on the amount authorized to be borrowed is \$5872.31 less \$500. loan expenses. The Eastern Securities Co. Ltd. the purchasers readily agree if requested to reduce the bond issue to that necessary to produce the amount required.

If the City be not in need of extra funds, this available I would suggest that bonds be issued to produce the amount required.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer is instructed to issue bonds only for the amount sufficient to produce the sums required.

FIRE DEPARTMENT-SUPERANNUATION ASSESSMENT \$
REFUNDS.

Read report Chief of Fire Department as follows-

Halifax, N.S. Feb. 15th, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

The following men having resigned from the fire dept. have made application for a portion of money paid by them into the superannuation fund viz- Drivers E. Strachan, C. Mulcahy, A. Locke, and G. Hoganson. I recommend that same be granted and the dependents of Earl McIvor, deceased Nov. 3/18 receive such money paid in by him also the dependents of the late Chief Condon, Assistant Chief, Brunt, Hoseman

*Treasurer
Auditor
Council*

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Maltus, Killeen and Leahy who were killed by the Explosion of December 6/17. I herewith attache statement prepared by the City Auditor.

J.W. Churchhill,
Chief H.F.D.

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Statement of money paid into the Superannuation Fund by the following-

	\$380.	Chief Condon.....	\$380.00		
Special Act	{	32.	Assistant Chief Wm.P.Brunt ...	32.00	
		20.80	Hoseman M Maltus.....	20.80	Killed by Explosion
		20.80	Hoseman F.Killeen.....	20.80	
		20.80	Hoseman F. Leahy.....	20.80	
		20.82	Hoseman E.McIvor.....	20.82	Deceased
		90.40	G.Hoganson.....	180.80	
		43.93	Driver E.Strachan.....	87.87	
48.39	Driver A.Locke.....	96.87			
49.06	Driver C.Mulcahy.....	98.12			
			<u>958.79</u>		

J.W. Churchhill,
Chief H.F.D.

The recommendations of the Chief of the Fire Department are approved and the City Solicitor instructed to prepare an act to authorize payment of the amounts recommended and the City Treasurer is instructed to pay over the amounts now properly payable.

In the meantime it is ordered that the Honorable George H. Murray, Premier of the Province be requested to undertake to use the good offices of the Government for the promotion of an act to authorize the refund of amounts to the dependents of the men killed in the explosion, or who died before the present act entitled them to receive refunds.

SERBIAN CHILDREN-SUBSCRIPTION TO FUND.

Read letter President of the Committee for the protection of Serbian Children, as follows-

Solicitor
Chief Fire Dept
Auditor
Treasurer
Hon G.H. Murray

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Paris, Jan. 15th, 1919

Mr. Mayor,

The warm reception with which I have always been met from the Municipality of France, has encouraged me to bring to your kind attention "the work of saving the Serbian Children," which has been under the patronage of the Legation Royale de Serbie, and which has been specially authorized by the Minister of the Interior under date of August 20th, 1917.

This work has for its object to bring relief to the many unfortunate children, who, since the war, have been torn from their families and homes; to give to the innocent victims material and moral aid, and thus to assure the safeguard and conservation of the Serbian race.

It is in the name of our dear children that I address an appeal to the Municipality, over which you have the honor to preside.

I have had an artistic plaque struck, it is sold at a profit for the work, and you will find a reproduction of it, face and reverse, very natural on the subscription. This plaque marks a date in the history of humanity. It commemorates the glorious epoch in the history of the Serbian people, and you could give it a place in the Museum or the public Library of your community.

Each example will be numbered and the name of the subscriber (municipality or person) will, following demand, be engraved on the back of the plaque.

Among so many works which the struggles for right and liberty has inspired to the exhaustless generosity of the public, the Work of Saving the Children of Serbia will touch your generous heart and merit our solicitude.

Your sympathy will be an eloquent protestation against oppression and injustice.

Yours truly,

Madame Blanche M. Vesnitch,
President.

Deferred until Thursday's meeting of the Board.

MARITIME DIRECTORY COMPANY.

Read circular letter from Maritime Directory Company submitted at meeting February 13th, 1919.

The Secretary is instructed to notify the Maritime Directory Company that they have obtained exclusive rights from the City of Halifax to print a directory.

Maritime Directory Co

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SOUTH AND OXFORD STREET SEWERS.

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 21, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the request of Dalhousie College for the construction of a sewer on South Street and Oxford Street along the Dalhousie College front.

There is about 700 feet of sewer required on South Street below Oxford Street to reach the trunk sewer. To reach the location of Oxford Street would require 600 feet more, and on South Street about 300 feet more. The estimated cost of this work would be \$18,800 at present prices.

There is one house at the north-west corner of South and Oxford Streets, one at the south-east corner and four or five houses on the south side of South Street east of Oxford, which will require drainage. In constructing a sewer on South Street it should extend far enough east to drain all the lots that must be drained towards the Arm. Water pipe should be laid in all of these trenches at the time as the sewer is constructed.

Drainage must be provided now or later for all the frontage on the south side of South Street and the frontage on the north side of South Street below Oxford Street and on the west side of Oxford Street between South Street and the top of the hill, the land can be used for building lots and will require drainage. It is probable that the construction of a sewer and water system would mean the utilization of this building property in the near future.

Regarding the proposed location of the buildings on the Dalhousie property, the South Street sewer will be required in any case, as soon as the property owners petition for it. The location of the Oxford Street building at the corner of Coburg Road and Oxford Street would postpone the construction of the 600 feet on Oxford Street for the present, but I cannot question the wisdom of the Dalhousie College authorities in endeavouring to locate their buildings permanently as a part of a permanent and finished design. I think they would make a grave mistake in judgment from their standpoint if they did not.

While the advisability of construction now is a question of policy to be decided by your Board there are no engineering difficulties in the way and I would therefore recommend the construction of a sewer on South Street from the trunk sewer easterly to the top of the hill and far enough along the level to drain the land requiring it; also the construction of a sewer in Oxford Street from South Street northwardly to the top of the hill.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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The City Clerk is instructed to forward a copy of the report to President MacKenzie of Dalhousie College and to notify him that the matter will be taken up at Tuesday's meeting.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

Read correspondence re Tuberculosis Hospital as follows-

Hamilton, Canada, Feb. 7th, 1919

To His Worship,
Mayor Hawkins,
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Dr. Hawkins:-

I received your letter a few days ago and at the time we were so busy planning for the Annual Meeting of our Sanatorium Association (The Hamilton Health Association) that I could not get time to make a thorough study of the plans, so I laid them aside until I could give a report that might be of some value to you.

With reference to our Annual Meeting you will be interested in hearing that, while in other years this has been a very dry affair, we tried a new plan this year, holding a banquet in the ball room of the Royal Connaught Hotel and charging an admission fee, with the result that the place was crowded with an attendance of 360 and the people who attended, seemed to have a very enjoyable evening. Formerly there would be two or three dozen in attendance, and always the same few. The interest that this meeting aroused paves the way for a membership campaign that was started last year, from which they secured over \$8000.00 and which they hope to double this year. I hope to send you a copy of the Annual Report when it is printed.

I hope my delay in writing has not led to my letter arriving too late to be of any service to you for I can assure you that I am pleased to think that you might find my opinion of some value to you in the matter.

Now, with reference to your plans I certainly thought they were very good, and especially liked the general arrangement. The building is laid out symmetrically and should have a very pleasing appearance and the different sections seem to be very appropriate and convenient. I think the arrangement of the utility and serving rooms, in relation to the wards, is excellent for service, for there will be no wasting of steps, resulting in unnecessary work so far as I can see.

I also liked the section for examination rooms, laboratory, etc., very much and only wish

Prof a S ✓
MacKenzie

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we had some such plan incorporated in our building.

There are many other good features, but, if my suggestions are to be of any value to you, I think they should, if possible, take the form of criticisms, for it is useless to criticize after the building is up.

We find many things to criticize about our building now, that might have been avoided if we had taken a little more time just before the plans were finally adopted. I will then tabulate certain suggestions or criticisms for your consideration.

1. If I were a Doctor with a family of four young sons, I would rather have my residence detached from the building and some little distance away. As a general plan, however, I prefer your location of the Doctor's residence, and it would undoubtedly be better in a case where the occupants of the house were all adults. Its heating and plumbing arrangements are also simplified by your plan.

2. I would strongly recommend that the whole basement be excavated, if this is possible. We made the mistake of not doing this and have regretted it ever since. You need so very much store room for various purposes in an Institution of this size, and it always pays to keep it well up off the ground. You will need an X-Ray room later, and while the basement is not the best place for this, yet, it can be placed here if the ceiling is high and has no overhead pipes crossing the room.

3. Mr. Whitton, our architect made the suggestion that the single rooms are hardly wide enough to permit the placing of a bedside table alongside the bed, without this interfering with the opening of the door of the room. However, I think that you have a bedside table marked in the plan and that he mistook this for a pillar.

4. It is very important to have a great amount of glass in the outer wall of each ward, as they will be very dark, due to the projecting verandah, if this is not provided. More important still, the door from the ward to the verandah should be 8 or 9 inches wider than the bed, for in winter, when there are many blankets on the bed, it is very difficult to pull the bed through the opening, if there is not plenty of space. According to your plan, the opening is shown to be very little wider than the bed.

5. I do not think you have large enough quarters planned for nurses, to take care of the nursing staff that will be required for this number of patients, if this building is especially planned for advanced cases. However, this is a matter that you will be able to work out gradually as you get

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into the work, and, as your institution grows, you will probably have to build a separate Nurses' home. This will be a more satisfactory arrangement and it is one that we are now planning in our own Institution at the Mountain Brow.

6. There is one other point, on which there is room for a difference of opinion and that is with regard to so many single rooms for patients. You have:

32	single rooms	accommodating	32	patients
8	double	"	16	"
2	triple	"	6	"
		Total	54	"

You cannot fill an Institution of that size with actually ill patients and it is my opinion that, while the acutely ill are better in single rooms, the less acutely ill and the early cases do better when two or more congenial patients are taking the cure together. If you have early cases too much alone, they are apt to take themselves too seriously and to possibly become selfish, while the treatment requires just the opposite condition.

In our own Institution we had 8 single rooms, 4 double rooms and the remainder for 4 or 3 beds. In your plan I would leave the upstairs as it is, but downstairs I would prefer to have each group of 8 single rooms changed to 5 double rooms. This would mean that the upstairs, which is usually the quieter floor, would be reserved for the acutely ill patients, and the downstairs would be for the less seriously ill cases. Some of these would be on exercise and the dining-room for patients is also on this floor.

With this change the grouping would be:

16	single rooms	accommodating	16	patients.
18	double rooms	"	36	"
2	triple rooms	"	6	"
		Total	58	"

An additional argument in favor of this plan, is the fact that the majority of the patients will come from the homes of the poor and they are not so likely to expect single rooms, and are all the more fond of companionship. If you intend to have women upstairs and men downstairs or vice versa, you could make this alteration to double rooms in the group of 8 single rooms wards 11 to 18 and those directly above on the second floor.

7. With regard to exposure I would recommend that the front of the building be made to face south east if possible or at any rate slightly to the east of south rather ~~direct~~ than directly south for this exposure enables the patients to escape some of the distressing heat of summer afternoons, and at any rate here it escapes the prevailing winds.

8. Your plan does not show the location of the main kitchen but if it is in the basement this is another strong argument in favor of a good high

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cellar, in order to give satisfactory ventilation. In that case if the patients' dining room becomes too small you could use the one end of the basement as a diningroom.

9. In our building we have a patients' bedside call or signal system, whereby the patient can touch a button which signals to the nurses' station that the patient is in need of assistance. We find this a great convenience in treating a disease where there is danger of haemorrhage and it also adds to the confidence of the patients. This would be still more essential in a building such as you have planned where there are so many patients in single rooms I would by all means advise you to have it installed.

I am presuming that you will later build pavilions for exercise patients and will thus need increased accommodation.

Anything that I have had to say it not as a criticism but is merely given as suggestions for I realize that it is much easier to come in and criticize plans already prepared than to set in and construct original plans and I certainly think that as a whole your plans are very excellent. I am keeping the copy of the plans but will return them if you have use for them.

In concluding I would say that Mrs. Holbrook and myself are looking forward to a trip thro' the maritime provinces before many summers are over and when we make the trip we will take great interest in visiting your City and seeing this building in operation.

J.H.Holbrook.

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Kentville, Feb. 17, 1919

Major Doane, City Engineer.

Dear Mr. Doane,

Since last writing you I have had a letter from one of the leading architects in Canada and he says in part as follows-

a. I consider the length of the building, 296 ft. frontage a decided objection. It is much preferable to have the wings at right angles to the main front or planned obliquely as advised by English experts.

b. It has been found to be a serious objection to have the central heading system and laundry in the main building, as it brings a great deal of dirt and noise, and there are always coal grites and steam odors that rise through the building which have been deemed objectionable.

c. If possible the superintendents residence should not be a part of the main building, If possible isolate the nurses from the main building.

d. The buildings if possible should be sub-divided into units with separate stairways in case of fire. I should judge from the amount that is to be expended for the number of patients, that the plan of separate buildings would not cost more than the appropriation.

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As I stated to you in a previous letter, the cost of the proposed hospital is too great an outlay of money for a single building. For that sum you should be able to building a small plant, viz, infirmary power, and laundry house - and small plant, staff residence. Expansion in the future must be considered and the building you have in view for Halifax is not at all adapted for increasing the number of patients within it. Frankly with the amount of money that will likely be spent, it seems too bad that the plans were not prepared by architects who have had experience in sanitorium construction. In Canada we have Capt. W.L.Symons, Architect i/c Military Hospitals, Ottawa, and Mr. George, Chief Architect Department Soldiers' Civil Reestablishment, Ottawa. In the United States Messrs. Scopes and Feustmann, Saranac Lake, is one of the best firms to deal with.

I am sorry to offer any objection that will delay the construction of this hospital, but a more efficient plant can surely be erected with the money the Committee has for this purpose.

A.F. Miller.

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Halifax, 20, 19

Mayor Hawkins,
City Hall,
Halifax, N.S.
Your Worship:-

We send you herewith for your information memorandum of the meeting which took place in our office on Saturday, February 15th, with reference to the plans and specifications of the Halifax Tuberculosis Hospital, which we have prepared at the request of the Board of Control.

With the exception of the few minor alterations which were suggested at this meeting and which are herewith noted, the plans and specifications are now completed and ready to be turned over to Major Gates for the reception of tenders, in accordance with your instructions.

As discussed and decided upon the above mentioned meeting, our service in connection with this building is complete when the drawings and specifications and details ready for the reception of tenders are turned over to Major Gates and from that time ~~te-time~~ forward he will take over the work, call for tenders, let the contracts and supervise the construction of the building. We will, of course be very glad to render any advisory assistance gratis, to Major Gates, which may be desired during the progress of the works, or to give to the City or yourself any advise which might be considered desirable.

We are preparing our statement covering professional services, rendered in accordance with the instructions of the Board of Control, on the customary basis of two and one half percent, and we take

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the liberty in asking you to be good enough to advise you as to the procedure you would suggest in presentation of our account.

Thanking you for your continued kindness and courtesy to us in connection with our study of this interesting project, and, trusting that the result has been satisfactory to you.

Ross & Macdonald.

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Halifax Tuberculosis Hospital.
Memorandum of Meeting, Saturday, February 15th.
at offices of
Ross & Macdonald, Administration Bldg.,

Present:-

Mayor Hawkins
Mr. Doane City Engineer,
Dr. Hattie,
Major Gates,
Mr. Ross,
Mr. Townsend,
Mr. Heughan.

The letter received by the Mayor from Dr. Holbrook of the Mountain Sanatorium, Hamilton, with reference to the plans of the proposed Hospital was read and the suggestions contained therein were noted.

Major Gates stated that it was the desire of the Mayor that the Boiler Plant and Laundry be omitted from the Basement of the Hospital, and that provision be made for a separate power House entirely out-side of the Hospital building, and it was decided with the approval of the Mayor and City Representatives, that this would be done.

It was suggested that the entire basement including the portion under the right wing and under the Doctor's residence in the left wing, should be excavated, and that Basement Stairs and Basement Storage for coal, wood, etc., should be provided in the Doctor's residence.

It was decided with the approval of the Mayor and the City Representatives, that Fire Walls should be provided for on each side of the central Pavilion of the building, and also between the Main building and the Doctor's Residence, metal covered doors being provided at all openings in these Fire Walls.

It was decided with the approval of the Mayor and the City Representatives, that the building should be placed parallel with the side boundary lines of the lot, so that the Sleeping Porches would face somewhat east of south, instead of directly south.

It was decided with the approval of the Mayor and the City Representatives that the Kitchen should be placed in the Basement of the Central Pavilion of the building, where it would have light on three sides, instead of in the position originally indicated on the plans.

It was decided with the approval of the Mayor and the City Representatives that the number of rooms containing accommodation for two patients

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as indicated on the plans, was sufficient, and that the plans could not be altered in this respect.

It was decided with the approval of the Mayor and the City Representatives that the Nurses' Quarters as indicated on the plans were sufficient and that these quarters could not be increased.

It was decided with the approval of the Mayor and the City Representatives that the Architects should proceed with the alterations to the plans as agreed upon, so that the drawings and specifications could be ready for the reception of tenders as soon as possible, and that the drawings and specifications could then be turned over to Major Gates, who could call for tenders and receive same.

It was agreed that when these drawings, details and specifications ready for the reception of tenders are turned over to Major Gates and accepted by him for the above purpose, the service to be performed by Ross & Macdonald, should be considered to have been entirely completed, and the Major Gates could take over the work from that time.

Ross & Macdonald.

The Secretary is instructed to notify Messrs. Ross & Macdonald that their undertaking for the furnishing of plans is with the Relief Commission and not with the City, and to take up any matters in connection with their account for services with them.

The Secretary is also instructed to write Mr. Rogers and bring the matter to his notice.

RIOT February 19th, 1919

Read correspondence re riot as follows-

Militia & Defence,
Halifax, 20th February 1919

To-

The Mayor of Halifax N.S.
Your Worship-

Your letter of the 20th instant is acknowledged.

There will be about 110 military police on duty in the City of Halifax tonight. This will no doubt prevent the least possibility of any disturbance being participated in by soldiers. In addition to this a sufficient armed force will be held in readiness to deal with any disturbance created by civilians and this force will be immed-

*Ross & Macdonald ✓
J S Rogers ✓
City Solicitor ✓
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lately available in the usual course if called out by you in aid of Civil Bower.

An authorized Staff Officer will remain on Duty at Military Headquarters during the evening in order to take immediate action should you deem it advisable to ask for armed assistance.

E. H. Borden,
Lieut-Colonel,
For D.O.C. M.D.No. 6, (a o d)

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Halifax, February 20th, 19

Colonel W. E. Thompson,
Officer Commanding Military Forces,
Military District No. 6,
City.

Dear Sir:-

As Mayor of this City I beg to ask you what steps you propose to take, as the Officer in command of the Military forces of the Crown in this district, in view of the recent repeated riotous outbreaks, participated in by men who either now are or recently have been members of the militia.

The Police of the City are doing and are prepared to do everything in their power to maintain peace and order and protect life and property, but under present conditions it is obviously impossible for the force at the disposal of the police to do this adequately against the large number of persons engaged in the riot and it appears clear to me that it is incumbent upon you to take prompt and energetic measures to aid in every way to maintain peace and order in this City and to protect life and property. What those steps are I think should be best determined by yourself.

A. C. Hawkins,
MAYOR.

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Halifax, 20th, February 1919

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
City Hall.

My Dear Mr. Mayor,

You will see in to-nights papers the attitude we take regarding the recent riots in the City. I am therefore writing to you to ask you to let us know in what manner we can assist the Civil Authorities in quelling these disorders.

The whole situation is deeply regretted by us and we are anxious to do all in our power to help restore order.

The Great War Veterans Ass'n of
Canada

C. R. Hodput.

Sec'y.

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Militia & Defence,
Halifax, N.S. 21st, February, 1919

To-

The Mayor of Halifax,
Mayor's Office,
Halifax, N.S.

Your Worship-

In continuation of my letter of the 20th instant may I be permitted to draw your attention to para 82 of the Militia Act which states-

"If the place where such riots or disturbance occurs or is anticipated is municipally organized, the mayor or warden or other head or acting head of the municipality, together with two justices of the peace..... may by requisition in writing required the Active Militia or such necessary portion thereof to be so called out"

Also para 912 in the King's Regulations says-

"Under Section 80 of the Militia Act troops may be called out to aid, but not to replace the civil power. An officer commanding troops thus called out will be the careful therefore that his command and each detached portion thereof, is accompanied on all such occasions when on duty by a magistrate to represent and give orders in the name of the civil power."

Extract from para 913 is to the effect that-

"All orders from magistrates to troops acting in aid of the civil power should be obtained in writing."

And para 915 - "If the magistrate concludes that the police are unable to cope with the riot, and that the necessity of the case demands the interference of the troops by action, then, whether the Proclamation has been read or not it is his duty at once to request the commander of the troops to take action. This request should be made distinctly, and if possible in writing"

It is important that if action is to be taken by armed troops to quell disturbances, this force should act with speed and decision. It is also important that if it has to deal with civilians that it act in complete cooperation with the civil power. It is therefore, suggested that at the police station two or more properly instructed magistrates should be immediately available to join the troops if you decide to requisition for them, and in order that there should be no delay in obtaining the signature of the two magistrates to your request for armed troops.

W.E. Thompson,

Colonel.

D.O.C. Military Dist. No. 6

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SEWER AND BUILDING PERMIT NORWOOD STREET
G.R. MARSHALL.

Read application G.R. Marshall for permission to erect a building on Norwood Street and also asking for sewer extension to his property.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WAREHOUSE CEDAR STREET

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 21, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

The attached petition has been just received at this office. It protests against the erection of the proposed warehouse building on Cedar Street and I forward it to you for your information.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Consideration of the report is deferred pending Mr. Marshall's return to the City.

STREET WIDENING.

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 21, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

On the official City Plan the Street lines laid down for the future boundaries of the street cut off many portions of the frontage of the land which at the time of the survey for the official plan, were enclosed within private boundaries. It was the expectation at that time, that the cost of acquiring such pieces of land would be largely nominal in view of the benefit which would be obtained by the property owners.

Owners of such land are developing a practice of demanding from the City a value equal to the value which the rest of the land has reached in the meantime - in some cases, an advance of about 400% or more. If the matter were to be decided by a court I am very doubtful if the owner could obtain more than the value of the land when the restriction was placed on it, and it is manifestly unfair to the rest of the City, that he should do so. The damage to the land, if any, is that occasioned at the

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time the restriction was placed on it, and the value of such damage should be based on the value of the land at that time. If the owner should claim loss of interest on the value due him, the answer would be that there is no loss of interest until he disposes of the rest of the land.

It has become a serious matter for the City generally and I would recommend that a policy be adopted for the future that any such land taken shall be valued for compensation on the basis of the value that the land had at the time the restriction was placed upon it by laying down the lines on the official plan, such value to be determined by the Chief City Assessor. I do not consider that it should be any injustice to the property owners to decide also that in residential districts the City should not be expected to take the land until at least three-quarters of the frontage in any one block has been developed by building upon it. At present, as soon as the owner of property makes a sub-division he comes to the City with a claim for the portion of the land that has the restriction upon it although he may not have sold a lot and perhaps has no prospect of selling immediately. The benefit to the property owner and the property generally, by the widening and straightening of the streets, is not considered, and the land owners ask for a value which they never had. In many cases they get the full value for the land and a bonus from the City for the privilege of making an improvement. There are very few cases where the seller does not get as much for his lot as he would if the official lines were not laid down, and the probability is that he gets more. I would recommend, therefore that steps be taken to remove that burden of injustice from the general taxpayer.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

Referred to the City Solicitor to prepare legislation in accordance with the recommendations of the City Engineer.

POLICE STATION RECONSTRUCTION.

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 21, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
Sir,

Mr. Fegan has obtained a tender from Mr. E.B. Lownds for the work required in the Police Station- \$850.00 Mr. D.G. Stewart's tender was \$854.00 Both tenders include plumbing.

F.W.W.Doane,
City Engineer.

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Solicitor

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Moved by Controller Murphy seconded by Controller Hines that the tender of E.B. Lownds be accepted and the work be proceeded with at once. Motion passed. Controller Finlay dissents.

JUNK DEALERS PREMISES.

Read report City Engineer covering report Chief of the Fire Department and Assistant Building Inspector as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 20, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

As instructed I beg to report on the petition protesting against the granting of a license to J.M. Garson to maintain a junk license establishment on his wharf and on the condition of all premises occupied by junk dealers.

The Chief of the Fire Department and the Assistant Building Inspector have visited each property and a copy of their report is attached. With the exception of the yard at #4 Bauer Street the properties seem to be kept in fair condition, and the establishment of Mr. Garson's business on Stayner's wharf would not differ in any respect so far as I can see from the policy followed by the Board in the past. The building would be next to the premises occupied by Mr. Wm. Grant for junk purposes. The license is the same as that issued to Mr. Grant and others and does not particularize the details of his business. Mr. Grant is one of the petitioners against the issuing of the license of Mr. Garson.

I beg to call the attention of the Board to the last paragraph of the report of the Fire Chief and the Assistant Building Inspector. There is no question that practically all junk premises are great fire hazards, and I endorse their recommendations.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

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Halifax, Feb. 14, 1919

F.W.W. Doane, Esq.,
City Engineer.
Sir,

We have visited and inspected the various places of business of the junk dealers and beg to report--

*Walter Hough
Chief of Police
City Engineer
City Building Inspector*

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Mr. Batson (Levi Hart's wharf, Lower Water St.)

The building used is a one storey building-frame with pitch roof one half being used as a stable and the remainder for junk purposes. It is in a clean condition.

Wm. Grant (Stayner's Wharf, Lower Water St.)

The building used is a 3-storey frame structure. The junk consists of canvas, rope, rubber paints and metals. The place is in a clean condition.

Mr. Garson (Stayner's Wharf)

The building that is proposed to be used is a 3-story frame building -- at present used to store hay in.

E. Whitman Cook's Wharf, Water Street)

The building used is a 3-storey frame structure. The junk consists of rags and bottles the place is very crowded with materials and is in a fairly clean condition.

Wm. McPatridge McPatridge's Wharf, Up. Water St.)

The building used is a 3 storey frame structure. The junk consists of rags canvas, rope rubber and metal. The place is in a clean condition.

John Simon (Cronans' Wharf)

The building used is a 3 storey frame structure. The junk consists of canvas, rope, rubber, etals. The place is in a very crowded condition and is fairly clean.

Walter Naugle (4 Bauer Street)

There is a large yard use and the junk which consists of old metal is kept here. The place is in a very dirty condition.

Samuel Simon (257 Gottingen St)

The building used is a stable situated on the rear of the lot. The junk consists of rags rubber, metal. The place is kept in a clean condition

As will be noted all the premises used are large wooden buildings and with the exception of the last two are situated in very congested districts and are therefore great fire hazards. We would recommend that these places of business be carried on in fire resisting buildings.

H.W. Churchill,
Chief H.F.D.
W.R. Fegan,
Asst. Building Inspector.

Walter Naugle ✓
Asst. City Clerk ✓
Chief of Police ✓
City Engineer ✓
Chief of Fire Dept ✓
Solicitor ✓

The Board decided to cancel the License of Walter Naugle #4 Bauer Street.

The Assistant City Clerk is instructed that on the expiration of existing junk licenses, renewal licenses are not to be granted unless the premises and location are approved by the City Engineer and Chief of the Fire Department and no new junk licenses are to be issued without such approval.

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STREET LIGHTING ACCOUNT.

Read report City Engineer as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 20, 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,

I beg to report on the N.S. Tramways & Power Company's bill for street lighting from March 1918. The City Electrician reported on this matter on the 30th June without going into details. Since that time I have obtained a statement from the Tramway Co. of the increase in prices, which I believe are approximately correct, as follows-

	<u>1913.</u>	<u>1918.</u>	
Inner Globes	1.92 per dozen	\$3.70 per dozen	93%
Outer Globes	9.00 " "	18.50 " "	105
Carbons	17.50	22.00 M plus 42½% customs daily }	79
<u>HORSE FEED.</u>			
Hay	17.50 ton	31.00 ton	79
Oats	55 bushel	1.20 bushel	118
<u>COAL</u>			
Slack	2.90 gross ton		201
Run on mine	3.60 " "	8.73 gross ton	142
<u>ORDINARY LABOR.</u>			
	17½ per hour	.37½ per hour	114
<u>LINEMAN, PATROLMEN, TRIMMERS</u>			
	25 50 27½ per hour-	45 to 50 per hour	80 to 82

Average increase 113%

The charge of \$80.00 for arcs and \$30.00 for incandescent is an increase of 26.4% and 42.9% respectively.

Under the circumstances it does not seem to me to be an unnecessarily large increase. I would recommend that a settlement be made on the basis of the price charged.

F.W.W. Doane,
City Engineer.

Deferred.

WATER BILL -MRS. JESSIE R. HORNE 202
NORTH STREET.

Read water bill Mrs. Jessie R. Horne, 202 North Street. claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

BLOOMFIELD SCHOOL PLAYGROUND.

Read letter Deputy Provincial Secretary as follows-

mc -
Engineer

February 25th, 1919

Halifax, 15th, February 1919

His Worship the Mayor,
City of Halifax.
Dear Sir,

I am directed by the Provincial Secretary to inform you that the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax has applied to the Governor in Council for the approval of the following resolution adopted by the Board at a recent meeting:-

BLOOMFIELD COMMON SCHOOL.

"RESOLVED that an application be made to the Governor in Council for an Order in Council directing the City of Halifax to issue its Debentures to the amount of Thirty Six Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Five. (\$36, 235.00) Dollars for the purpose of purchasing lots of land on Robie, Bloomfield and Agricola Streets to provide a site to build a school building to replace that building known as Bloomfield Common School destroyed in the Explosion of December 6, 1917.

I am also in to inform you that the Governor in Council has appointed Wednesday the 19th day of February, at eleven o'clock A.M. in the Executive Council Room, Province Building, as the time and place at which the matter of such application shall be heard and that the City may appear at the hearing.

Arthur S. Barnstead,
Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Also read Order in Council as follows:-

Certified copy of an Order in Council of His Honour the Lieutenant Governor of Nova Scotia in Council, dated the 15th day of February A.D. 1919.

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The Governor in Council under Section 893 of the Halifax City Charter is pleased to approve of contracts to be entered into by the Board of School Commissioners for the City of Halifax, as follows-

Contract with A.E. King to sell to the said Board properties numbered respectively 222 and 224 Agricola Street and a lot of land on the South west corner of Agricola and Bloomfield Streets and lots numbers 76, 78, 78½ and 80 Bloomfield Street all in the City of Halifax, for the sum of Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$12,000);

Contract with A. Wyatt to sell to the said Board the property situate on the south side of Bloomfield Street in the City of Halifax and measuring approximately 40 feet by 106 feet, for the sum of Three Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$3,350);

Contract with R.F. McKinnon to sell to said Board the property on the south side of Bloomfield number 86, in the City of Halifax for the sum of Two Thousand Eight Hundred and Twenty-five Dollars (\$2,825);

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Contract with Edward Murphy to sell to the said Board property, being numbers 88 and 90 Bloomfield Street in the City of Halifax measuring approximately 27 feet by 106 feet for the sum of Three Thousand Five Hundred and Ten Dollars (\$3,510);

Contract with Mary A. Donovan to sell to the said Board the property situate on the south side of Bloomfield Street in the City of Halifax, measuring approximately 24 feet by 106 feet for the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000);

Contract with M.B. Boleman to sell to the said Board the property number 100 Bloomfield Street in the City of Halifax, and adjoining land, measuring 112 feet frontage and including two lots as shown on plan, for the sum of Five Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$5,350);

Contract with J.T. Campbell to sell to the said Board the properties number 679 Robie Street, measuring approximately 52 feet by 96 feet, and the property number 681 Robie Street being on the south east corner of Bloomfield Street, all in the City of Halifax, measuring approximately 56 feet by 22 feet for the sum of Six Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$6,200);

these said properties and lots of land being required by the said Board as a site in connection with the erection of the new Bloomfield Common School.

A. S. Barnstead,
Clerk of the Executive Council.

Filed.

FIRE ALARM BOX 18

Read report Chief of Fire Department as follows-

Halifax, Feb. 19, 1919

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to report re condition of Box 18 at the Waverly Hotel fire on January 29th, at 7.15 p.m as follows:-

The first alarm came in faultless. On my arrival at the fire I ordered a second alarm. I was informed by Mr. Emmerson of the Electrician(s) Department that only one round of this alarm came in. On enquiry at the different engine houses Mr. Emmerson's statement was substantiated. Later I was informed by Mr. Emmerson that this box would be out of commission for the night and a card put on the box to that effect directing that Box 19 at the N.S. Tramway & Power Co. be used substituting Box 18. This box was inspected on April 27/18, May 15th & 29/18., Oct 17/18, Nov. 25/18 and January 16/19

J W. Churchill,
Chief H.F.D.

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*Treasurer
Council*

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REPATRIATION AND EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE.

Read letter Repatriation and Employment Committee as follows-

-Halifax- Ottawa, February 15, 1919

L.F. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk.

Dear Mr. Monaghan

Enclosed please find copy of letter which I have just sent to Mayor Hawkins.

This for your information as I know the splendid welcome Captain Thakeray will receive in your city by the Sea.

I am afraid that I really envy the Captain this trip, for it would be delightful to get in sight of the real salt water again.

Harry Bragg,
Municipal Representative.

Filed. *referred to the City Engineer.*

CITY PRISON UNDERKEEPERS.

In answer to advertisement fro City Prison underkeepers the following applications were received - Alfred Hawkins, James Ross, A.H. Bullock, Ernest Ashe.

Referred to the Governor of the City Prison for report.

OVERHEAD WIRING.

Read Minutes Board of Control January 19th, 1917 page 623. re overhead wiring.

The City Engineer is instructed to submit a report showing how many of the recommendations in the report have been carried out, also to ask the Board of Public Utilities for a copy of the evidence taken before them on the above matter.

Wellington WATERLOO STREET LIGHTING.

Controller Finlay complained of the lack of light on ^{Wellington} Waterloo Street stating that in view

*Governor
City Prison*

*Engineer
Electrician*

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✓ of the number of garages on that street, lack of light is a menace to public safety.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

MUMFORD ROAD DIVERSION DR. J. GORDON BENNETT.

The City Engineer is instructed to report on the adjustment to be made re diversion of Mumford Road through Dr. J. Gordon Bennetts, property.

Dr. Bennett also asked for permission to repair the road near his property at his own expense under the supervision of the City Engineer, also applies for better lighting on Mumford Road.

Referred to the City Engineer.

ESTIMATES.

The Board of Control decides to have a meeting for consideration of the Estimates on Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

RECEPTION TO RETURNED SOLDIERS.

A public meeting was called by His Worship the Mayor the following notice was inserted in the various newspapers-

Mayor's Office, City Hall,
February 22nd, 1919

Having been officially advised that the various NOVA SCOTIA BATTALIONS will return from Overseas as Units through the Port of Halifax and will be marched in Procession through the streets; that each Unit as the Ships arrive from time to time will be quartered in Halifax as a dispersal centre and that the relatives and friends of the men from all points throughout this Military District will have opportunity of visiting them here it is thought advisable that steps be taken to

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our War Veterans in appropriate manner.

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Therefore all Citizens are requested to attend a Public Meeting to be held at the City Hall on the afternoon of Tuesday

25th Inst. at 4 o'clock
to consider such arrangements as they may deem should be made.

The cooperation of the Provincial Government the Military Authorities, the Board of Trade, patriotic committees social and commercial societies labor organizations &c is requested and their attendance at the meeting solicited.

A.C.HAWKINS, Mayor."

Approved.

BARN CITY PRISON.

The City Engineer is instructed to prepare plans and specifications and call for tenders to replace barn at the City Prison recently destroyed by fire.

*Engineer
Governor
City Prison*

ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts chargeable to Health Board are passed for payment-

CITY HEALTH BOARD.

E.F. Sullivan	Medicine	16.50
G.M. Meagher	Bread	73.91
J. Lycon	Taxi Service	30.00
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	1.58
Ross Print	Placards	5.50
S.D. Innes	Milk	213.98
W. Hamm	Plumbing	7.60
Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	12.60
Hillis & Sons	Grates etc.,	9.75
Halifax Herald	Advertising	10.50
P.T. Shea	Butter, eggs etc.,	182.51
Robinsons Ltd.	Taxi Service	33.75
Gordon & Keith	Furnishings	207.46
J. & M. Murphy	Gauze	148.99
S. Cunard & CCo.	Coal	856.31
"	Coal	745.25
T. H & T. Francis	Furniture	173.49
Halifax Taxi Service	Service	3.00
A/Wilson & Son	Fish	64.15
F.C. Craig	Cab Fares	58.00
You Lee	Laundry	10.36
Morton & Thomson	Cutlery	.65
Farquhar Bros.	Repairs	20.44

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Canadian Electric Co.	Repairs	7.50
Telephone Co.	Phone	26.21
Cahill & Co.	Groceries	9.98
N.S. Undertaking Co.	Conveyance patients	195.00
J.A. Leaman	Meats	559.51
Wentzell's Ltd.	Groceries	554.75
Tram Co.	Service	41.49
Dept. Public Health	Vaccine	4.00
J.A. Kaizer	Fish	83.43
John Starr	Flash lights	5.15
T.C. Allen Co.	supplies	5.50
Cragg Bros.	Cutlery	29.20
McLeon & Co.	Meat	6.65
Wet Wash	Washing	104.00
Fred Parsons,	Conveyance patients	404.25
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		\$ 5118.35

The Public Gardens accounts amounting to \$203.48 are handed back to be certified.

The Board adjourned.

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

L. Fred Monaghan