

- RELIEF ADVISORY COMMITTEE -

Mayor's Office, City Hall,
June 30th, 1921.

A meeting of the Relief Advisory Committee was held this morning at 11 o'clock in the Office of His Worship the Mayor, City Hall. Present His Worship Mayor Parker, Chairman and Aldermen Finlay and Scanlon. Also present Alderman Godwin, H.W. Johnston Assistant City Engineer and the City Clerk and James Leitch.

ROOME, DUFFUS AND SCHOOL STREETS--JAMES LEITCH

His Worship the Mayor informed the Committee that the meeting had been called to hear a complaint from Mr. Leitch.

Mr. Leitch in stating his case informed the Committee that his dwelling and everything he had was destroyed in the Explosion. His property faces three streets Roome, Duffus and School Streets. His dwelling stood on the south end of the lot. After the Relief Commission commenced their activities in the neighborhood they constructed a new diagonal street which passes the western side of his land. In doing this work the diagonal street was raised some 8 feet above the old level destroying his property from his point of view. As conditions are at present it is impossible for him to rebuild on the site of his former home. The Relief Commission advised him to hold on to his property and not to sell it, stating that they proposed making a beauty spot of it. This has not been done and he has been assessed by the City for land he cannot use. He recently received a tax bill for this land for \$100.44 which he felt it a hardship to pay while the land is useless to him. He understood that the Relief Commissions' original ideas as to improving the streets at his property have been changed

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since the making of blue prints which they showed him some time ago.

He urged that the Relief Commission should correct the existing conditions and place his property in as good shape as before the Explosion.

Mr. Johnston expressed the view that the City was equally concerned with Mr. Leitch that the proposed work on these streets should be finished.

His Worship the Mayor informed Mr. Leitch that he would communicate with the Relief Commission and arrange for a conference between that body and this Committee.

The meeting adjourned.



L. Fred Monaghan,
CITY CLERK.

J.S. Parker,
MAYOR AND CHAIRMAN.