

Council Chamber, City Hall,

August 29th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris and Murphy.

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Peddlers and Coal Hawkers.

CITY HOME - CARE OF PATIENT FROM ANOTHER COUNTY.

Read letter Rev. Francis J. Scoates, Whitehead, Guysborough County, asking if a female patient belonging there could be cared for at the City Home if paid for by the district in which she has a settlement.

Controller Halliday reports that the accommodation in the City Home is so restricted that the request can not be complied with.

The Secretary is instructed to notify Rev. Mr. Scoates accordingly.

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WATER METER READERS.

Read application Francis C. Lewis, 5 Amundale St., and David Colquhoun, 2 Woodill Street, for position of water meter reader. Filed.

Filed ✓

WATER EXTENSION OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS - DANIEL CHISHOLM

AND MRS. T. J. EGAN.

Read applications Daniel Chisholm and Mrs. T.J. Egan for water extension Dutch Village Road, outside the City limits. Deferred.

B/c ✓

MERRY-GO-ROUND.

Read application H. H. Wood, c/o Cranston Real Estate Co., for a license to operate a merry-go-round in a field on Robie Street known as the Hayward Lots, for a period of three weeks.

H. H. Wood ✓

The Board decides that the location selected is not a suitable one, and instructs the Secretary to notify Mr. Wood accordingly.

QUINPOOL ROAD LIGHTING.

Read report Acting City Engineer on letter from John A. Neville re the lighting of Quinpool Road at the diversion made by the Ocean Terminals Railway, recommending that the light removed from there should be restored and maintained by the Government.

Engineer ✓
John A. Neville ✓

The City Engineer is instructed to take the matter up with the Ocean Terminals Railway, Mr. Neville to be informed accordingly.

OILING OF COBURG ROAD.

Read letter R. M. Hattie, complaining of delay in the matter of oiling of Coburg Road, agreeably to petition of abutting property owners.

R. M. Hattie ✓
City Engineer ✓

His Worship the Mayor stated that the road is not in condition to be treated with oil, and that there is no money to put it in condition this year.

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The Acting City Engineer agreed with His Worship, and stated that the roadway had not been kept in proper shape because of the intention in the near future to have it permanently paved. He could not guarantee that under present conditions the oiling of the roadway would prove satisfactory.

The City Engineer is instructed to proceed with the treating of the road with oil, agreeably to the prayer of the petitioners.

FAIRVIEW ROAD SUBWAY.

His Worship the Mayor submits for the information of the Board a telegram received by him from Sir Robert Borden in answer to a letter from himself respecting the condition of the Fairview Road subway at the railway crossing, as follows:-

Ottawa, August 26th, 1916.

P. F. Martin,
Mayor,
Halifax.

Your letter respecting Three Mile House subway received here, have telegraphed Gutelius to have matter investigated at once and to have the approach and subway made absolutely safe.

R. L. Borden.

FREE TRAMWAY SERVICE TO CITY OFFICIALS.

Read decision of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utilities, refusing the application of the City for the privilege of free transportation for officials of the City Health Board, Works Department, Public Schools, and Fire Department. Filed.

STREET RAILWAY.

Read letter Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Ltd., on various matters, as follows:-

Halifax, August 23rd, 1916.

L. Fred. Monaghan,
City Clerk.

Dear Sir:-

We beg to acknowledge receipt of the

*Engineer
E. A. Saunders*

*Board of Health
City Engineer*

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extracts from the minutes of the meeting of the Board of Control, held on the 27th day of July, which were transmitted to us under date of July 31st last. In reply thereto, we beg to advise:

First, in relation to the recommendation of Controller Murphy, regarding fenders. We beg to state that we consider the present fender in use by the Company as efficient and modern as any fenders now in use by any Road on this Continent. For the further information of your Board, I beg to advise that in general practice throughout United States and Canada, Tramway Companies are abandoning the use of fenders altogether, as it has been found generally that in cases of accident same are a continual menace rather than a protection.

Second, with reference to the recommendation of His Worship the Mayor that the Company consider the advisability of stopping their cars before crossings the intersecting streets instead of the present system of stopping after crossing intersecting streets. We beg to advise that the Company would have no objection to stopping on the near side of the intersecting street if the City Council pass an Ordinance to that effect. We beg to point out, however, that in consideration of the comfort of our patrons, we deem it advisable to stop the cars on the far side, because of the fact that this method brings the loading and unloading platform of the car opposite the crossing of the street which, particularly in the case of macadam roads, is usually cleaner than any other part of the roadway. This is particularly so in the Winter time when there is snow on the ground. Otherwise, by stopping on the near side of an intersecting street, the car platform would then be located in the muddy part of the roadway, and this, we consider would cause our patrons considerable annoyance and inconvenience. In-so-far as the Company is concerned, it would be just as easy and convenient for us to stop on the near side as on the far side of intersecting streets.

Third, with reference to the recommendation of Controller Harris that our car be equipped with a jack or other device for raising cars in case of accident. We beg to advise that we do not consider a single jack would be of any material assistance in case of accidents, and it would be necessary to carry at least two jacks on our car to comply with this recommendation. This would involve occupying very considerable space either on the platforms or in the interior of the car, and we doubt that, in any case, any material advantage would be gained. The necessity for jacking up cars, in case of an accident, occurs so very seldom and our emergency service in cases of this kind is so readily and promptly obtainable that we consider there would be practically no benefit attained and very considerable inconvenience and expense suffered by acceding to this request.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY CO, LTD.
Per W. J. DeBlois,
Secretary.

Referred to the City Electrician for report on the

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Electrician ✓

clause relating to fenders, as to whether there are fenders of which he is aware that he would recommend for use in Halifax.

STRAND THEATRE LICENSE.

Read application Strand Theatre Company, Ltd., for a license for the Strand Theatre.

Blc ✓

Consideration of the application is deferred, it not being signed by the owner of the property.

CAMPBELL ROAD WATER EXTENSION.

Engineer ✓

Read application E. W. Mosher, 376 Campbell Road, for water extension.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

SPRING BARDEN ROAD WIDENING--ST. PAUL'S CEMETERY.

Read letter St. Paul's Parish re widening of Spring Garden Road at St. Paul's Cemetery, as follows:-

Halifax, August 22nd, 1916

City Clerk,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

*C. F. Jubien ✓
Blc ✓*

With further reference to your favour of the 7th inst., in connection with the widening of Spring Garden Road, I beg to advise you that this matter has been placed before the Vestry of St. Paul's Church, and I am instructed to advise you that a committee will be pleased to meet the members of the Board of Control and discuss the matter.

C. F. Jubien,
Vestry Clerk.

The Secretary is instructed to inform the Vestry Clerk of St. Paul's that the Board will be pleased to hear a Committee of the vestry at any of its regular meetings, which are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at ten o'clock, of each week.

WATER METER BILL ANNIE MALLOY, 40 UNION STREET.

*Engineer ✓
Cont. Murphy ✓*

Read report Clerk of Works re water meter bill Mrs. Annie Malloy, 40 Union Street.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report.

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UNDERGROUND WIRE CONDUIT - TELEPHONE CO. ACCOUNT
FOR INTEREST.

Read account Maritime Telephone Co., \$3.74, interest charges on \$386.24 for two months from May 1st, 1915, to June 30th, 1915, at 6%.

The Secretary is instructed to inform the Telephone Co. that the City has no fund out of which it could pay this account for interest.

Telephone Co ✓

POLICEMEN.

Read resignation Policeman Everett C. Rhude.

On motion of Controller Harris, the resignation is accepted.

Chief of Police ✓

Read report Controller Harris recommending that temporary policeman William A. Wrin be appointed to the permanent force, and that James D. Hodgson be temporarily appointed to the position of policeman, to fill the vacancy caused by a policeman enlisting for overseas. Approved.

ELM STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for water extension Elm Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

WATER METER BILLS 204 AND 208 ARGYLE STREET - W.J.

Hopgood.

Read water bills W. J. Hopgood, 204 and 208 Argyle Street, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

TRAMWAY EXTENSION HOLLIS STREET.

Read petition against proposed tramway extension on Hollis Street to Buckingham Street.

The Secretary is instructed to request the Tramway Company to appoint a delegate to appear before the Board in connection with this matter.

W J DeBlais ✓

THEATRE LICENSES.

Controller Harris recommends that theatre licenses

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in accordance with the new scale of fees, ^{to} be charged,
be granted to the following:- Academy of Music,
Barrington Street; People's Theatre Co., Ltd., Jacob
Street; Jacob Withrow, King Edward Theatre, Barrington
Street; Canada Corporations Ltd., Acker's Family
Theatre, Sackville Street; St. Mary's Society, Imp-
erial Theatre, Barrington Street. Approved.

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SEWERAGE WESTERN SLOPE OF THE CITY.

Read letters Temple E. Piers, J. T. Wilson, Harry
I. Mathers, W. B. McCoy, W. A. Hart, John E. Furness,
and R. D. Taylor re sewerage western slope of the City,
as follows:-

Halifax, August 26th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor and Board of Control.
Dear Sirs:-

I beg to emphatically protest against the building
of a temporary sewer on Jubilee Road or Quinpool Road,
such as was built on Coburg Road, and as a result has
greatly fouled the Arm. A similar sewer at either of
Roads named would be much worse even than the Coburg
one, as the outlet would be in a locality nearly land
locked, and the filth remain in that part of Arm al-
most entirely. What we do not need, and what I
claim should have been built before any sewerage went
into the Arm, is the trunk sewer, which must be built
some time, and while today it is years later that it
should have been started, yet now is the next best
time. I sincerely trust you will undertake this big
job at once, thus serving the thousands of our cit-
izens who use the Arm, rather than the few score,
myself one of the number, who would get temporary
relief.

T. L. E. Piers.

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Halifax, August 26th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
Dear Sirs:-

Last February a petition with respect to the
sewerage for the west end section of Halifax, signed
by a number of rate-payers, was presented to the Board
of Control, and a Committee subsequently interviewed
Controller Murphy respecting the matter. We were
assured then that a definite answer would be forth-
coming in a couple of weeks, and that in all probab-
ility definite steps would be taken inside of six weeks.

The petition asked for a sewer to be constructed
at the junction of Quinpool Road and Oxford Street, to

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be laid along Quinpool Road, down Bloomingdale Terrace to Jubilee Road, thence to the Arm. As one of the prime movers in the preparation of the petition, I am disappointed that nothing so far has resulted, contrary to the assurance given to the Committee by Controller Murphy. The matter is of prime importance not only to the residents of that section, but to the City generally. Enquiry made previous to the preparation of the petition disclosed the fact that north of Quinpool Road and west of Oxford Street, there were over one hundred houses occupied and without sewerage, and between Quinpool Road and Jubilee Road, west of Oxford Street, there were about thirty houses occupied, with others under construction. This was last February.

I am sure that you recognize the importance of this matter, and I trust that you will use your best endeavors to have the wants supplied, just as quickly as possible.

J. T. Wilson.

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Halifax, August 26th, 1916.

Peter F. Martin, Esq.,
Mayor.

Dear Sir:-

I as one of the residents of the Rosebank Jubilee and Quinpool Road districts was given to understand that a question of a sewer put in that vicinity would receive early attention by the Council and the Board of Control.

I hear now that the reason nothing has been done regarding this matter is that the residents in that vicinity are not pressing for it. As a resident of Quinpool Road, I would respectfully impress upon you the very great necessity for building a sewer in that vicinity and I think that a personal visit from the Aldermen or members of the Board of Control would convince them how important this matter is.

On the north side of Quinpool Road below Oxford Street where I reside, there have been nine houses built during the past three or four years, all costing over \$5,000.00 each and I see in the newspapers there are some more lots being advertised for sale there and as it is one of the most desirable places in the City for residential purposes, I have no doubt these lots will soon be built on.

Furthermore the open gutter that runs down Quinpool Road cannot possibly be healthy filled as it is now with stagnant water and the draining from the cesspools all along that Street.

Furthermore I know of three of the residents on Quinpool Road that had trouble with their cesspools and I cannot too strongly urge upon you to give this matter your early consideration,

I am sorry to inflict such a lengthy letter on you and I will conclude by saying that I think a

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personal visit through this vicinity will more than convince you of the great necessity there is for sewer construction in that district as the place is building up very rapidly.

Harry I. Mathers.

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Halifax, August 26th, 1916.

Peter Martin, Esq.,
Mayor.

Dear Mr. Mayor:-

Some time ago a petition signed by over one hundred rate payers in the Rosebank district, was presented to yourself and Council asking that immediate attention be given to the important matter of the construction of the North West Arm Sewer. This question has been before the public now for the last four or five years, and steps for the adoption of a definite plan of sewerage for the western slope should be immediately undertaken.

It is unfair to those living in the district as well as those thinking of building there, and in the interests of the improvement, enlargement and welfare of the City generally, to allow this question of sewerage to draft.

I feel quite sure that your usual energy and attention to civic matters, you will take this matter up promptly, and have the Council come to a definite conclusion.

W. B. MacCoy.

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Halifax, August 26th, 1916.

Mayor P. F. Martin,
City.

Dear Sir:-

Some months ago a number of residents from the west end visited the City Hall hoping to get something definite re a sewer for the western slope. You were out of the City at the time, but we were given to understand something in the way of information at least would be forthcoming very shortly. Since then apparently nothing has been done. Would you be good enough to advise me what the prospects are?

W. A. Hart.

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His Worship, Mayor P. F. Martin,
Halifax, N. S.

My Dear Mayor:-

As a resident on Jubilee Road west of Oxford St.

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I respectfully submit to you the importance of having a sewer laid in that locality. I understand this matter has been up for discussion and as there are many residential places already in use and a large number under construction, I consider a sewer necessary for the health of not only my own family, but also for others who are living there. This is one of the most important matters in the City at the present time. If no steps are taken to have the sewer laid, it is only reasonable to expect that sooner or later we will be faced with a very serious epidemic.

I am sure after pointing this matter out to you that you will not lose any time in taking the necessary steps to protect the citizens who live in that locality of the City.

Thanking you in advance, I beg to remain,

J. E. Furness.

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Halifax, August 26th, 1916.

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

In one of the evening papers a few days ago I was glad to notice Controller Murphy had written your honorable body with reference to sewerage on the western slope of the City, more particularly Quinpool and Jubilee Roads. A resident of the former street, I am I am very much interested in this matter and have already had the privilege of signing two petitions, which I understand were presented to you, and take this opportunity of urging not only your early serious consideration, but that the matter have attention without further delay. This portion of the City is building up and there is one phrase of the sewerage question which possibly has not been brought to your attention, and that is, the matter of the health of the residents. There does not seem to be any doubt to my mind that if this slope is not properly drained in the very near future there will be an epidemic of sickness resulting from bad drainage, the consequences of which it might be hard to foretell. I am quite sure that I am expressing the opinion of all of the interested parties, and as I understand the money which is required to enable the City to carry on this work is now available, hope that there will not be any more delay in starting operations.

R. D. Raylor.

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In connection with the above matter, the Board is addressed by Capt. Moulton, Harry I. Mathers, Harry C. DeWolfe, Charles E. Johnson, R. P. Bell, Dr. J. H. Rice, H. H. Blois and others, strongly urging the immediate construction of the North west Arm trunk sewer, and sewers on Quinpool Road and Jubilee Road west of Oxford

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and in Bloomingdale Terrace.

Mr. Bell strongly protested against the emptying of sewers into the North West Arm.

The City Engineer is requested to report as to the construction of sewers in Quinpool Road, Jubilee Road and Bloomingdale Terrace.

DUST NUISANCE.

The delegation which appeared before the Board in connection with the sewerage of the western slope of the City, strongly appealed to the Board for an abatement of the dust nuisance on Quinpool Road.

QUINPOOL ROAD DRAINAGE.

Mr. Mathers, Mr. DeWolfe and others of the citizens who appeared before the Board, complained of the lack of proper facilities for carrying off the surface water on Quinpool Road, asking that the ditch at present there be enlarged and improved.

WILLOW PARK WATER SUPPLY.

A. L. Wood and Alderman Parker appeared before the Board complaining of lack of water supply at Willow Park.

Mr. Wood stated that at his residence, Edinborough Street, they had water yesterday afternoon and last night, and none this morning.

Alderman Parker stated that at his residence, Windsor Street, there was no water supply from nine o'clock this morning until the present moment, 11.15 o'clock, when it is just commencing to dribble.

PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES.

Read report City Health Board as follows:-

Halifax, August 29th, 1916.

The Mayor and Members Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to notify you that H. L. Gibbs, the owner of premises 27 Columbus Street, has requested the City Health Board to instal sanitary plumbing in said

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premises, he to pay on the instalment plan, as he is unable to pay for it otherwise.

I am directed by the City Health Board at a meeting on Tuesday, August 22nd, to request that you take action to have the necessary work carried out in accordance with the section 864 of the City Charter.

J. A. Watters,
Secretary.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Halliday that the request of the City Health Board be complied with, and the work done accordingly, and that the City Engineer prepare specifications of the proposed work and be directed to obtain tenders for the same and to report the same to the Board. Motion passed.

Engineer's Health Board

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL - MORRIS STREET SCHOOL.

St. Patrick's Boys' School.

Read report J. C. Harris re St. Patrick's Boys' new school as follows:-

Halifax, August 29th, 1916.

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

In compliance with your request of August 25th, I beg to report that the probable cost of the Hills' property will be about \$2000, and the probable cost of the whole site about \$28,200. These figures are exclusive of expenses.

I submit herewith an approximate plan of the whole site, and shall be glad to give you any further information regarding same.

J. C. Harris.

The City Solicitor is instructed to submit as soon as possible such resolution as it will be necessary for the Board and City Council to pass in respect to expropriation of the Hills' property required as a portion of site for the proposed St. Patrick's Boys' School.

Solicitor J.C. Harris School Board Council

On motion of Controller Murphy, J. C. Harris is appointed arbitrator on behalf of the City in connection with the expropriation proceedings.

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Morris Street School.

J. C. Harris stated that he had been asked by the Board of Control to report as to the proposed site for a new school to replace the present Morris Street School, and informed the Board that he had not had this matter in hand and knew very little about it.

*C. W. Ackland -
Chm School Board*

The Secretary is instructed to write the Chairman of the Board of School Commissioners, requesting him to report as to the probable cost of acquiring a site for the new school building to replace the present Morris Street School, together with plans of the properties proposed to be acquired.

CAB STAND HOLLIS STREET.

On the petition of licensed motor cab owners for privileges at cab stand, Hollis Street, Controller Harris reports as follows:-

Halifax, August 29th, 1916

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

*Asst. City Clerk,
Chief of Police*

In reference to this matter I would report that there is no cab stand or taxi stand on Hollis Street in front of the Hotels, therefore no cabs or autos have any privilege to stand there any longer than is necessary to take in passengers. I would suggest that the present stand around the Province Building be used and the taxi owners instal a telephone for their use.

George F. Harris.

Approved.

PEDDLERS AND COAL HAWKERS.

Alderman Godwin informed the Board that complaints had been made to him that fruit and vegetable vendors are plying without licenses and without their names and numbers on their vehicles, also that coal hawkers are charged with giving short measure.

*Asst. City Clerk,
Chief of Police*

Referred to Controller Harris and the Chief of Police for report.

The Board adjourned.

P. J. Martin
MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

Council Chamber, City Hall,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Water Extension Outside City Limits - Harry Piers.
Admission of Patients to Nova Scotia Hospital.
Annual Report City Electrician.
Telephone Company Conduits for City's Wires.
Sewer Extension Morris Street - Eastern Investment Corporation.
Shop in Residential District Corner Chebucto Road and Willow Street - Alfred Hammond.
Expropriation of Property on Long Lake Watershed at Beech Hill.
Watershed of Long Lake.
Oiling Coburg Road.
Ferry License Charles Duggan & Sons.
Filling in Head of North West Arm.

WATER EXTENSION OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS - HARRY PIERS.

Read application Harry Piers for water extension Dutch Village Road, outside City limits.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS TO NOVA SCOTIA HOSPITAL.

Read letter Hon. E. H. Armstrong, Commissioner of Public Works and Mines, re admission of insane patients to Nova Scotia Hospital.

Referred to Controller Halliday, Superintendent Mulcahy and the City Solicitor for report.

ANNUAL REPORT CITY ELECTRICIAN.

Read Annual Report City Electrician for the year 1915-16. Filed.

TELEPHONE COMPANY CONDUITS FOR CITY'S WIRES.

Read report City Electrician as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
August 30th, 1916.

L. Fred. Monaghan.
Dear Sir:-

With reference to your request for further details

City Engineer ✓

*Cont. Halliday ✓
Supt. City Works ✓
City Solicitor ✓*

Council ✓

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regarding the estimated cost of a duct in the Maritime Telegraph and Telephone Company's underground installation on South Park Street, I am informed by the Company that the additional cost over former work is due entirely to increased cost to them because of prevailing prices of material. This does not appear to me to be excessive in comparison. The expense to the City is estimated on the cost of duct and proportionate cost of laying in concrete, and does not include trenching, back-filling, man-hole expense, or any overhead charges. The actual cost may be slightly under or over the estimate given.

*Engineer
Council*

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Moved by Controller Halliday, seconded by Controller Murphy that the report of the City Engineer dated August 4th, submitted at Board of Control meeting August 5th, on this matter 1916, be adopted. Motion passed.

Sewer
WATER EXTENSION MORRIS STREET - EASTERN INVESTMENT CORPORATION.

Read application Eastern Investment Corporation for sewer extension on Morris Street Extension from LeMarchant Street west to Dalhousie College.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT CORNER CHEBUCTO ROAD AND WILLOW STREET - ALFRED HAMMOND.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
August 31st, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith application from Alfred Hammond to build a dwelling and shop at the corner of Chebucto Road and Willow Street. The plans and specifications are in accordance with the Building Act.

o/c ✓

This is in the residential district, and the law provides that no shop shall be erected therein unless permission is obtained from the Board of Control.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Deferred until Tuesday's meeting, the Board in the meantime to view the district.

EXPROPRIATION OF PROPERTY ON LONG LAKE WATERSHED.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

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City Engineer's Office,
August 30th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor
Sir:-

I have taken all the preliminary steps required by the City Charter for the purpose of expropriating the land required for improving the purity of the water supply at Beech Hill, and beg to submit the accompanying resolution which has been approved by the City Solicitor and which when passed, and the money paid into Court, and the description, plan and resolution filed in the Registry office, will vest the title to the property in the City.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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WHEREAS the City of Halifax requires the land and premises hereinafter described for the purpose of improving the water supply of the City, and the City Engineer has duly prepared a plan of the said land and premises, together with a description of the same, and also a report on the expropriation of the same, and submitted the said report, description and plan to the City Council for its approval, and the said report, description and plan were duly approved by the City Council on the 10th day of August in the year A. D. 1916, and a copy of the same has been filed in the office of the City Engineer, as required by law;

AND WHEREAS on the 23rd day of August in the year A. D. 1916, a notice containing a description of the land and premises so required, was duly served on each of the persons claiming to be the owners respectively of the said land and premises, which said persons are enumerated in the schedule to this resolution, together with a notice of the intention of the Council to expropriate land from the said owners, after the expiration of the time required by law, from the date of the service of such notice;

AND WHEREAS a notice containing a description of the said land so required and a notice of the intention of the City Council to expropriate the said land and premises after the expiration of the time required by law, from the date of such expropriation, was duly published by the City Engineer in the Acadian Recorder, Evening Mail and Daily Echo, three newspapers published in the City of Halifax, for two weeks by two insertions each week, namely on the seventeenth, eighteenth, twenty-fifth and twenty-sixth days of August, A. D. 1916.

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the said land and premises be, and the same are hereby expropriated, which said land and premises are described as follows:-

ALL that lot, piece or parcen of land, situate, lying and being on the south-western side of the St. Margaret's Bay Road at Beech Hill, so called, in the County of Halifax, the said lot being more particularly described as follows:-

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection

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of the north boundary line of lot #10 of the Dutch Village lots, so called, with the south western boundary of the said St. Margaret Bay Road; thence in a westerly direction by the said north boundary line of lot #10 until it meets the eastern boundary of property now or formerly occupied or claimed by Charles Gross; thence in a south-westerly direction by the said south-east boundary of the said Gross property until it meets the south-west boundary of the said Gross property; thence in a north-westerly direction by the south-west boundary of the said Gross property and of property now or formerly occupied or claimed by Lizzie Munro, and by the south-west boundary of property now or formerly claimed by John Munro, until it meets the north boundary line of the above mentioned lot #10; thence in a westerly direction by the said north boundary line of the said lot #10 until it meets the western boundary line of ungranted land; thence in a northerly direction by the said western boundary line of the said ungranted land until it meets the southern boundary of the 75-acre lot granted to George Yeadon; thence in an easterly direction by the said southern boundary of the said Yeadon lot until it meets the western boundary of property now or formerly occupied or claimed by Richard Hamilton; thence in southerly direction by the said western boundary of the said Hamilton lot for a distance of 415 feet more or less; thence in an easterly direction by a line parallel to the southern boundary of the said Hamilton lot for a distance of 1110 feet more or less, or until it meets the south-west boundary of the said St. Margaret Bay Road; thence in a south-easterly direction by the various courses of the said south-west side of the said St. Margaret Bay Road to the place of beginning;

The above described lot being all that property shown enclosed by red lines on a plan entitled "Plan of Land on Watershed of Long Lake at Beech Hill to be Expropriated by the City of Halifax", signed by H.W. Johnston, Acting City Engineer, and dated 25th day of July, 1916, and filed in the City Engineer's Office at Halifax at Plan # 3548, excepting therefrom any ungranted land owned by the Crown.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be, and he is hereby authorized and instructed by and on behalf of the City of Halifax to pay into the Supreme Court at Halifax, for so much of the said land and premises as is alleged to belong respectively to each of the persons set out in the schedule, as the owners thereof, the sum set opposite to the name of each of such owners respectively, making in all the sum of Three Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$3,900.00) the said sum being in the judgment of the Council a reasonable value for the said properties respectively;

AND that the City Engineer notify each of the said alleged owners so set out in the schedule, of the said expropriation and of the said payment into Court.

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List of Property Owners and amounts directed to be paid to each respectively -

Heirs of Charles Gross	\$1,100.00
Lizzie Munroe	800.00
Mrs. Harris	400.00

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John Munroe
Heirs of Julia Nelson
Richard Hamilton

\$600.00
800.00
200.00

Total.....\$3,900.00

Council ✓

Approved.

WATERSHED OF LONG LAKE.

Read report City Engineer re watershed of Long Lake as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
August 31st, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control that I have had several consultations with Mr. LeMarchant and his representatives to try to agree on the valuation of the land at the foot of Long Lake, required from him to preserve the purity of the water supply.

The lowest price which I have been able to get from him is \$100 an acre. We shall require about 42 acres, which would make the amount asked about \$4200.00. This same land was offered to the City two years ago for \$1500.00.

Engineer ✓

I understand that Mr. LeMarchant has divided his property into lots, and proposes to sell the same. I must again urge upon the Board the necessity of obtaining the land near the Lakes of our water supply, before houses are erected thereon, and also in my opinion the recommendations of both Prof. Starkey and the City Engineer should be carried out, and not only the LeMarchant lot, but the point between Yeardon's Cove and Long Lake dam should be acquired at the same time.

H. W. Johnston
Acting City Engineer.

Referred to the City Engineer for further report on the land required.

OILING OF COBURG ROAD.

Read report Acting City Engineer re oiling of Coburg Road, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
August 31st, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

At the meeting of the Board of Control held on the 29th inst., the City Engineer was instructed to proceed with the oiling of Coburg Road, agreeably to the petition presented by the owners of property on the street.

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I beg to draw your attention to section 16 Chap. 46 of the Acts of 1915, which provides that "The Council may make an Ordinance authorizing the City on presentation of a petition signed by a majority of the persons owning property fronting on any street or portion of a street to use oil or other liquid on such street or portion and to collect the cost of so doing from all the owners of property so fronting, and to include such cost in the rates and taxes upon such property."

I have asked the City Solicitor for his opinion as to whether, if the instructions of the Board were carried out without first making the Ordinance, we could collect from any owner who refused to pay, and he advises me that the Ordinance should be passed before the work is proceeded with, so that we may be in a position to collect the money.

The estimated cost of ciling Coburg Road from Robie Street to Oxford Street is about \$400.00. Out Street appropriation is getting low and will not stand this drain upon it. I would respectfully suggest that before proceeding with the work, the Solicitor's opinion be obtained as to whether this amount could be borrowed from the Bank in anticipation of the collection of the tax from the property owners.

I have asked the City Solicitor to draft a form of Ordinance to submit to the Council.

H. W. Johnston
Acting City Engineer.

The Acting City Engineer's report is approved, and the City Solicitor asked for his opinion as to whether the amount required could be borrowed from the Bank in anticipation of the collection of the tax from the property owners.

FERRY LICENSE CHARLES DUGGAN & SONS.

On the application of Charles Duggan & Sons for a license for ferry boats Munota and Earon to ply between Hanover Street and Dartmouth, Controller Harris reported that these boats are not supplied with reverse gear, as required by law, but that the owners had promised to instal them.

It is decided to ask the owners to make a deposit cheque covering the amount of the license fee, and be given 30 days to make the necessary changes, at the end of which time the license will be granted. If the changes are not make, the license will be refused and ferrying privileges taken from them.

*Engineer
Solicitor*

*Chas. Duggan
& Sons
Capt. Russey*

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The Secretary is instructed to notify Captain Rudolf, Harbor Master, of the action taken by the Board.

FILLING IN HEAD OF THE NORTH WEST ARM.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that the Cook Construction Co. has offered to the City, free, about 4000 yards of material from their excavation on Chebucto Road, and recommended that the offer be accepted, and the material used for the filling in of the head of the North west Arm; the only expense to the City would be the building of a culvert.

Engineer

The Acting City Engineer reported verbally on the cost of said culvert, roughly estimating it at about \$1200.00.

It is decided that the offer be accepted, and the work be proceeded with.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

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ACTING SECRETARY.

Council Chamber, City Hall,

September 5th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Janitor City Market.
Water Extension Campbell Road - E. W. Mosher.
Report Chief Fire Department for August/
Shopin Residential District.
Concrete Sidewalk Windsor Street.
Water Meter Bill Annie Malloy.
Accounts.
Monthly Report City Prison.
Tramway Extension Hollis Street.
"Whiteway" Lighting.
Smoke Nuisance - Complaint A. Lochart.
Water Meter Reader.
Policemen.
Halifax Ocean Terminals Railway.

JANITOR CITY MARKET.

Read application Lawrence E. MacDonald for position of Janitor of the City Market Building. Filed.

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WATER EXTENSION CAMPBELL ROAD - E. W. MOSHER.

Read application E. W. Mosher for water extension Campbell Road.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

REPORT CHIEF FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR AUGUST.

Read report Chief Fire Department for August, as follows:-

Office of Chief Fire Department,
September 5th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg leave to make the following report:-

1. That there have been 12 alarms of fire during the month of August from the following causes:- lime 1; electric iron 1; hot ashes 1; chimneys 2; curtains 1; child with matches 1; unknown 2; rubbish 1; defective flue 1; oil stove 1.

Insurance at risk.	\$17,300.00
Insurance losses.	\$295.00
Losses without insurance.	45.00
Total losses.	\$340.00

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The losses on S. S. "Minia" have not yet been appraised.

2. That William Sweeney, hoseman on Motor Fire Engine has resigned; George Carleton, No. 2 Engine, has resigned

Recommendations.

1. That Samuel Smith, callman No. 4 Hose, be appointed hoseman on Motor Fire Engine, vice Basil Lindsay resigned.

2. That John Long be appointed supernumerary.

3. That the Inspection of Fire Department and apparatus be held on or about September 25th.

Respectfully submitted,
P. J. Broderick,
Chief Fire Department.

Approved.

SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read extract Board of Control minutes August 31st, referring back to the Board report of the Acting City Engineer, submitted on that date, for consideration.

On recommendation of Controller Murphy, Mr. Hammond's application for a permit to build a dwelling and shop at the corner of Chebucto Road and Willow St. is granted.

CONCRETE SIDEWALK WINDSOR STREET.

Read letter Alfred Lightening re concrete sidewalk Windsor Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER METER BILL ANNIE MALLOY.

Controller Murphy verbally reported on water meter bill of Mrs. Annie Malloy, 40 Union Street, recommending that the account be reduced from \$5.92 to \$2.00.

Approved.

ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts were submitted and passed for payment:- Fire Department \$1771.85, City Prison \$796.60.

Council ✓

Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

Council ✓

Council ✓

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MONTHLY REPORT CITY PRISON.

Read report City Prison for the month of August.
Filed.

GRAMWAY EXTENSION HOLLIS STREET.

H. R. Mallison, representing the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, Limited, appeared before and addressed the Board re proposed extension of their lines through Hollis Street to Buckingham Street, submitting plans.

He stated that with the tracks as they now are laid along Granville Street, it is impossible for his Company to give an efficient and regular service, and that the extension through Hollis Street will improve matters greatly. They propose making a single track on Granville Street instead of the double track as at present, and a single track along Hollis Street.

With regard to petitions against this extension which had been presented to the Board, Mr. Mallison stated that they were signed only by people in the immediate vicinity of the proposed extension, and did not represent people in other parts of the City who would be greatly benefited by the change.

In answer to His Worship the Mayor, Mr. Mallison stated that in the near future a spur line would be run from the Dartmouth Ferry to the City Market, and on market days this line will be supplied with a small locomotive with one or perhaps two flat trucks, so that the market people will be accommodated. He also stated that he was very much in favor of running a line across the Common, and he had no doubt this would be built as soon as possible. With regard to reduced rates for workmen and school children, these will come into effect when the new organization of the Company is completed.

Mr. Mallison is requested to submit in writing at Thursday's meeting the advantages to be gained by the

*Collected
Filed*

H.R. Mallison

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proposed extension through Hollis Street, which will be presented to the Council for consideration at its meeting on Thursday night.

"WHITEWAY" LIGHTING.

The question of the "Whiteway" lighting was taken up, and after a conference between Mr. Mallison and Mr. William Schon, Mr. Mallison asked that the matter be allowed to rest for a few days to enable them to go further into the proposals made, when they will confer with the Board if any action is necessary.

*Mr. Mallison ✓
Mr. Schon ✓*

POLICEMEN.

Controller Harris reported that James D. Hodgson, who had been appointed to the position of policeman to fill a vacancy caused by a member of the police force enlisting for overseas, had decided not to accept the position, and recommended that Scott a Lantz be appointed to take his place. Approved.

*Chief of Police ✓
Cont. Harris ✓*

SMOKE NUISANCE - COMPLAINT A. LOCHART.

A. Lochart appeared before the Board, complaining of a nuisance near Cedar Street caused by smoke from the cleaning plant operated by Robert Leary.

R. J. Leary ✓

The Board promised Mr. Lochart to take the matter up with Mr. Leary.

WATER METER READER.

Read application J. Grant for position of water meter reader. Filed.

HALIFAX OCEAN TERMINALS RAILWAY.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's office,
Sept. 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

The following statement shows the details of the agreement arrived at with the General Manager of the I. C. R., the statement of outstanding claims of the City against the Halifax Ocean Terminals Railway,

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The City's claim was \$122,000 for the value of the property, streets and improvements taken from the City by the railway, and \$42,000 for other outstanding accounts, making a total of \$164,000. Included in this, was a sum of \$34,000 as the estimated value of the fee simple of the streets taken. After a thorough discussion, it was thought that this amount should be withdrawn from the City's claim as the streets had not cost the City anything and were only of value on account of the right of user over them. It was pointed out that the railway had never paid for any streets taken for railway purposes before in Halifax, and it was very rare exception to find that any street in any other town had ever been paid for.

Deducting this amount, left the amount of the City's claim at \$130,000. The General Manager of the railway agreed to pay the City \$74,000 in cash, and to deed them certain properties, the value of which was estimated by him at \$57,000. On going over the properties in detail with the City Assessor and other real estate men, I find that this value is not excessive.

The properties to be deeded to the City include the following:-

ANDERSON PROPERTY from Jubilee Boat Club to Mrs. Fraser's property, with the exception of a small lot adjoining the latter, and running ft. from the shore.

FLINN PROPERTY all of this property lying to the eastward of the railway and also all that part lying to the south and west of Quinpool Road.

CHEBUCTO ROAD about 7000 sq. ft. required for widening the road on the north side.

MORRIS STREET about 5500 sq. ft. required for widening the street on the south side, west of Water Street.

TOWER ROAD about 4000 sq. ft. on the east side to make a better entrance into Clarence Street.

Respectfully submitted,
H. W. Johnston
Acting City Engineer.

Approved, and copies ordered to be forwarded to each member of the City Council.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

Fire Department.

Sheehan Motor Co.	Recharging battery	5.47
Burns & Kelliher	Repairs	12.03
J. L. Wilson & Co.	Polish	25.50

Council ✓

Members Council ✓

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National Drug & Chemical Co.	Scap	8.00
Imperial Oil Co.	Gasoline	48.70
Wm. Roche	Coal	20.00
Dayton Tire Co.	Tires	120.00
Coats Electro Plating Plant	Plating	10.00
Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow	Pipe	4.75
John McInnes & Son	Lumber	23.68
J. C. Merlin & Son	Lumber	3.21
Jas. Donohue	Metal Basket, etc.	27.90
Stroud & Eveleigh	Repairs	83.35
Bently, Flemming & Co.	Supplies	45.00
Wm. McFatridge	Covering roof Engine house	185.00
Jas. T. Brodie	Carpenter work	443.00
David Roche	Paint, etc.	25.61
F. W. McNally	Repairs	5.55
S. C. Thompson	Fodder	458.62
Maritime Telephone Co.	Phones	28.91
Longard Bros.	Fittings	47.65
Halifax Tram Co.	Light and power	25.38
Jas. Simmonds	Hardware	32.13
E. W. Crease & Son	Supplies	22.58
Longard Bros.	Hardware	52.28
Tripure Water Co.	Water	.80
Northern Electric Co.	Syringe	6.75
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		\$1771.85

City Prison.

J. J. Scriven & Sons	Bread	17.78
E. W. Crease & Son	Groceries	75.75
J. A. Leaman & Co.	Oxheads	3.50
W. A. Maling & Co.	Oxheads	4.90
C. G. Hartlen & Co.	Beef	4.80
Boutlier's Fish Market	Cod	8.50
Wm. Roche	Hard Coal	600.00
Stroud & Eveleigh	Repairs	5.15
Robt. Taylor Co.	Boots	14.10
D. J. MacKintosh	Horseshoeing	8.45
Carriette Patterson Co.	Asphalt	48.00
Halifax Tram Co.	Light and Power	1.17
Maritime Telephone Co.	Phones	4.50
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		\$796.60

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

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ACTING SECRETARY.

Council Chamber, City Hall,

September 7th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

- Accounts.
- Oiling of Streets.
- Coburg Road
- Shed in Residential District.
- Cash Statement City Treasurer for August.
- Tramway Extension Hollis Street.
- Billboards.
- Advertising for policeman.
- City Home Monthly Report.
- New Spouting at City Home.
- Cement.
- Annual Report City Engineer 1915-16.
- Water Meters.
- Telephone Building Sackville Street.
- Acadian School Property.
- Water Extension Cork Street.

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts chargeable to the following services are submitted and passed for payment :- City Home \$2455.71; General Accounts \$484.50; Works Department \$6815.78; Police Department \$78.06.

Council ✓

OILING OF STREETS - COBURG ROAD.

Read report Acting City Engineer re oiling of certain streets and covering draft of an ordinance as follows:-

Office of City Engineer
Sept. 6th., 1916.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,-

Section 16 Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1915 provides that the Council may make an ordinance authorizing the City, on presentation of a petition signed by a majority of the persons owning property fronting on any street or portion of a street, to use oil or other liquid on such street or portion, and to collect the cost of so doing from all the owners of property so fronting, and to include such cost in the rates and taxes upon the property.

Council ✓

I beg to submit herewith an ordinance covering the oiling of streets. I have gone over it with the City Solicitor, who approves of it.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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AN ORDINANCE RESPECTING THE OILING OF STREETS.

BE IT ENACTED by the Board of Control and City Council of the City of Halifax, as follows:-

September 7th, 1916.

On the presentation to the Board of Control of a petition signed by a majority in number of the persons owning property fronting on any street or portion of a street, requesting that oil or other suitable liquid or material be spread u on such street or portion, the Board of Control shall refer the matter os such petition to the City Engineer, who shall report thereon.

If the City engineer reports in favour of the prayer of such petition, the Board of Control may recommend to the Council that the prayer of the petition be granted. Upon adoption of such recommendation, the City Engineer shall treat the said street or portion thereof, with oil or other suitable liquid or material as he deems best.

The City Engineer shall make up a statement of the cost of such treatment, and apportion the same among the owners of property fronting on the street or portion so treated, according to their respective frontages. Each of such owners shall be furnished with a statement of the amount chargeable against him, and a copy of the statement shall be furnished the City Collector, who shall, if the same is not previously paid, add the amount payable by each owner to the notice of the taxation for the next ensuing year, and such amount shall be collected together with the said taxes with the same rights and remedies including the right to collect interest thereon from the date of the completion of the work, but not to receive any discount.

Any sum of money required by the City for the performance of any work under this ordinance, may be borrowed from any bank or fund available, and together with interest thereon, required repaid as the sum is collected or may be included in the estimated for the next civic year and collected therewith.

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Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller McKeen that the report of the Acting City Engineer and the draft ordinance be recommended to the Council for adoption. Motion passed.

b W. Stetson Rogers appeared before the Board and stated that money would be wasted oiling streets when they are not in proper condition.

COBURG ROAD.

Mr. Rogers also complained that automobiles on Coburg Road between Walnut Street and Oxford Street go at a dangerous rate of speed at times.

Referred to the Chief of Police.

SHED IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read report Acting City Engineer re shed on the north side of Cedar Street between Louisburg Street and

Chief of Police

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Deferred until Tuesday's meeting of the Board ; in the meantime the members of the Board of Control and the City Engineer to look over the proposed district.

CASH STATEMENT CITY TREASURER FOR AUGUST.

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

TRAMWAY EXTENSION HOLLIS STREET.

Read letter Halifax Electric Tramway Company re proposed tramway extension Hollis Street, as follows:-

Halifax, Sept. 6th, 1916.

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

Dear Sir,-

Agreeable to the wish of His Worship the Mayor and the members of the Board of Control, we beg to offer the following reasons for the Company's request for a change in the track at present located on Granville Street, and the construction of an additional piece of trackage on Hollis Street from George to Buckingham.

Council ✓
At the present time the Belt Line service is subject to very considerable and serious delays by reasons of the three single tracks curves, situated at the corners of Buckingham and Granville Streets, Granville and George Streets and George and Granville Streets- Hollis Streets/ By reason of these delays, and the necessity of cars crossing each other at these points, we are precluded from giving as satisfactory a tramway service as could be done if we had a regular double track curve throughout this district. The delays at these points affect the service over the entire line, and cause as much inconvenience to the patrons of the Company's cars in the north and West end of the City, as it does to those patrons who experience the delays in the district where same actually occur. Giving six minute service on the Belt Line means that during the running time of the cars, there are 150 cross-overs to be made over these various single tracks there are 19 three minutes running time to cover the distance between the Post Office and Buckingham Street, so that it will seem that the cars, waiting to make their cross with other cars coming in the opposite direction lose three minutes on each tracker trip ; this amounts to a total lost time on a six minute service of nine hours per day. On a four and a half minute service this same loss would represent over eleven hours time. These losses are sometimes increased in the event of cars arriving late at the crossings point, due to other obstructions on the line, and the results of all this means a service which would be very materially improved if the cars were not subject to these delays.

During the Exhibition, (When the Company operates from thirty-six to forty cars on the Belt Line route,) in order to make these various crosses we are obliged to run two cars together, and this is a very unsatisfactory operating condition, both from the standpoint of the Public as well as the Company.

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In addition to these features, we have at various times had accidents due to Motormen swinging into the single track curve before the passing car has had the necessary amount of clearance, and also by two cars meeting unexpectedly while rounding these single track curves. With the elimination of these curves, and the operation of this line one way via Granville Street and the other way via Hollis Street, the safety in operation of the line, as well as the avoidance of delays, would be assured, and would place us in a position to give a better service to all the patrons of the Belt Line.

We are also of the opinion that a single track on Granville Street would afford the general public a better thoroughfare for vehicular traffic than exists at present, more particularly in reference to the standing space for vehicles along the roadside in front of the various stores. It would also remove some considerable congestion which now exists in front of the Post Office on Granville Street at the corner of George Street; on Granville Street at the corner of Buckingham Street and on Buckingham Street itself, where cars are very frequently forced to stand from one to three or four minutes, thus to some extent, blocking the roadway, whereas, if operating straight through without being obliged to wait for a crossing car, these cars would not be forced to obstruct the roadways for this period of time.

We trust that with this explanation the City authorities will see the desirability of granting our request in view of the very apparent advantage it will be to the general public of the City.

Halifax Electric Tram. Co.
Per W. J. DeBlois,
Secretary.

It is recommended to Council in conjunction with the other changes under consideration and referred to the City Engineer and His Worship the Mayor to confer with the Tramway Company regarding other points under consideration between the Tramway Company and the City. These being satisfactory to the City permission is granted.

BILLBOARDS.

Read application E. L. Ruddy Co. for a permit to erect a billboard on the south side of Green Street near the corner of Queen Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report at Tuesday's meeting.

ADVERTISING FOR POLICEMAN.

Controller Harris verbally reported that Scott A. Lantz who was appointed to the position of policeman to fill a vacancy caused by a member of the Police force enlisting

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for overseas, had neglected to accept the appointment and come to be sworn in and recommended that the Chief of Police be instructed to advertise for applicants to fill the vacancy so caused. Applications to be filed on or before the 14th of the month. Approved.

CITY HOME MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report Superintendent of the City Home for the month of August. Filed.

CITY HOME - NEW SPOUTING.

Read report Controller Halliday covering tenders received for the new spouting at the City Home.

Deferred until Thursday's meeting; Controller Halliday in the meantime to report on whether this ^{Expenditure} ~~expro-~~ priation will be taken out of the unexpended balance to the credit of the City Home for 1915-16.

CEMENT.

Read report Acting City Engineer re payment to J. C. Calder of \$701.51 on account of his contract for cement, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
Sept. 6th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:- Certificate # 6.

I beg to recommend payment to J. C. Calder of the sum of seven hundred and one dollars and fifty one cents \$701.51 on account on his contract for cement --

1,031,750 lbs cement @ 42-6/7 ¢	\$4421.78
11,537 bags @ 10¢	1153.70
	<u>\$5575.48</u>
Paid on certificates 1 to 5	\$3845.47
Cr. City -12,000 bags @ 8 1/2 ¢	<u>1028.50</u>
	<u>4873.97</u>
Balance recommended for payment	\$701.51

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

ANNUAL REPORT CITY ENGINEER. 1913-14-1914-15 and

Read annual report City Engineer 1915-16. Filed.

Recorder ✓
Mail ✓
Echo ✓

Council ✓

Plc. ✓
Cont. Halliday ✓

Clerk of Works ✓

Council ✓

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WATER METERS.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water meters as follows:-

August 29th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor,-
Sir,-

I beg to report on the accompanying Minute of the Board of Control that the following is an extract from the Annual report of Mr Doane, the City Engineer, which is now in the hands of the printer.

"In the last published annual report (for 1912-13) the statement was made that the High Service System continues to supply satisfactorily since the installation of meters. since that date, the reservoir on Shaffroth's Hill has been completed and the High Service supply has been doing better still.

"Your Engineer is fully aware that this statement will be contradicted. Paradoxical as it may seem, both contentions are correct. The supply in the high service system is unsatisfactory to day not through any failures in the meters to accomplish what they were intended to accomplish or in the reservoir to perform the service it was intended to perform, but because the legitimate demand in the high service system has so increased that it has begun to exceed the supply. The statement is again made, most emphatically, that the meters accomplished the purpose for which they were installed.

When the installation of meters was decided upon, the consumption in the High Service system was reaching 2,300,000 gallons a day. The consumption was reduced by the installation of the meters so that some months the daily average consumption was 1,000,000 gallons less a day than the quantity named, or 1,300,000 gallons. It is stated without fear of successful contradiction that by no other possible means could such a result have been accomplished. Further, the reservoir has served to equalize the supply, which was exactly what it has recommended to do, and to not increase the supply. It was never stated by your Engineer that the reservoir would increase the quantity of water supplied to consumers.

"The criticism that is being made now is, that notwithstanding the installation of the meters and the reservoir, the supply is as bad as ever. No engineer or practical man in his sober senses would claim that the improvement indisputably made by the installation of the meters and the construction of the reservoir, could be maintained in the face of the increase in the demand. In the last ten years, there has been an increase in population in High Service district of from 60 to 75%. The consumption of water in the High Service has increased in the same proportion. This is a legitimate increase, one that cannot be avoided, and one that must be provided for in the future. Notwithstanding the fact that the number of consumers has almost doubled, the High Service system is giving a better supply today than it did twenty years ago. It can be claimed fairly, then, that the installation of the meters and the construction of the reservoir, has accomplished far more than was claimed by the most sanguine supporters of the improvements.

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"Estimating as carefully as is possible with the data we have from year to year, the population of the City has increased in the last five years about 10,000. It is estimated that about 3/4 of this additional population is in the High Service district. This increase has caused a more rapid change than usual, because it is a much more rapid increase in growth than the City of Halifax ever experienced before. We are facing therefore the necessity for an increase in supply, which cannot be made by a conversation of the existing high service supply. "

The gathering grounds of our present water supply, including the high and low services are capable of supplying about eleven million gallons per day in a dry year. This amount should be more than ample to supply a population of 110,000 people. The difficulty is, that the larger part 9,000,000 gallons of the amount, comes from the low service gathering ground, the reservoirs of which are only 206 feet above tide level.

In my judgment the best way of increasing the supply of the high service is to pump the surplus water from the service into the high, but as has already been told you by the City Engineer, it is useless to do this at present, until the waste in the low service is stopped, which in my opinion, can only be satisfactorily done by the installation of meters. The only other alternative is to bring in a new supply.

Laying a new main to Spruce Hill Lake would be an unjustifiable expense, as the present main is capable of delivering all that the gathering grounds will supply in ordinary dry seasons.

The Birch Cove Lakes watershed is the nearest large area to the City, and is estimated to be capable of supplying from six to seven million gallons per day. The lakes are about 35 feet higher than Long Lake, but the additional head would be lost by the friction in the additional length of main and the water would be delivered in town about the same pressure as exists at present in our low service mains. This of course, would necessitate a pumping plant to pump the water into the high service. The cost of the Birch Cove proposition would amount to probably half a million dollars as a rough estimate.

Pockwock is about sixteen miles from the city and is probably the largest body of fresh water within twenty miles of Halifax. It empties into Margaret's Bay and the waters from it are included in the development of the water power on the North East and Indian Rivers by the Halifax Power Company. To divert the waters for City use, it would probably be necessary to buy out not only this undertaking but also all the power sites on the North East River.

In 1910 there were about 16,000 consumers on the High Service, who were using 2,300,000 gallons per day. In 1916 there are approximately 24,000 consumers on this service consuming practically the same amount of water. In other words there are 8000 more people on the high service using the same quantity of water that was used six years ago.

We have been making a systematic inspection for leaks and while we have found some, we have not discovered enough to warrant the assumption that there are any more leaks in our system than in the average one. I have had a house to house inspection made on several streets in the low service.

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The Inspector reports that he visited 435 houses on Hollis, Argyle, Grafton, Albemarle and Starr Streets and found closets wasting in 141 of these, taps wasting in 33, domestic hydrant wasting in one, and pipes burst in three. On one property on Grafton Street, the tennance of which has appeared before the Board complaining of the lack of pressure a tap was found running full on the lower floor. In another house on Barrington Street a closet was leaking at the rate of about 30 gallons per hour. In another on Grafton Street, a tap was running at an estimate rate of over 50 gallons per hour. The owners of these premises will be notified of the waste taking place, but without a record such as a meter gives, there is no guarantee that it will not continue, and the fact that no waste was taking place in some of the premises visited, does not guarantee that it might not be there either before or immediately after inspection.

I have just been reading the reports of two towns in Massachusetts about the same size as Halifax, which were metered about the same time as our high service. East Boston, with a population of ~~two-thousand~~ two thousand set 5,000 meters in 1911. When the consumption was 95 gallons per capita. After the district was wholly metered the consumption, in 1913 had dropped to 58 gallons per capita. Charleston, with a population of 41,000 installed 4,000 meters and reduced a consumption of 185 gallons per capita in 1911 to 107 gallons per capita in 1913.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

Read letter Controller Murphy re installation and tenders for water meters, as follows:-

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The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

Before taking action on tenders called for lot of 3000 meters it would be advisable for this Board and Council to give careful consideration to the results shown by the equipping of the high service with meters. To assist in going into same writer has had a report made up showing the consumption as recorded on the service also the consumption on the metered portion of the low service. With the high service practically metered we can only account for 1/3 of the water supply to same. This would indicate that we must look elsewhere than to the installation of further meters to solve the troubles which we are having with our water supply.

It would seem that this question of water supply is getting beyond us. In view of the pressure of other work on City Engineer and his department this Board would well consider the calling in of the service of the best Water Works Inspector available with a view to having a complete and careful survey made along the lines of the one which is now being conducted by the City of St. John and based on its findings we can then recommend to Council necessary steps to insure our stopping as far as possible the wastage which is now occurring and to contribute to the City an adequate water supply both for domestic and fire fighting purposes. The conditions at present are rapidly

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drifting to a stage where the city is liable at any day to be placed in a very serious position. I feel satisfied that any outlay made in an investigation along the lines suggested would be fully justified.

John Murphy,
CONTROLLER.

Moved by Controller Murphy that the tenders with the deposit cheques received for water meters be returned unopened to the respective bidders. Not seconded.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller McKeen that the tenders be now opened. Motion passed.

The tenders received are as follows:-

Francis Hankin & Co; Neptune Meter Co; H. B. Clarke & Son; Guildford & Sons; Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow; H. Mueller Mfg. Co; Drummond, McCall & Co.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Murphy that the tenders be referred to the City Engineer for report. Motion passed.

A copy of Controller Murphy's letter is ordered to be furnished to the City Engineer for report.

TELEPHONE BUILDING SACKVILLE STREET.

Mr. J. A. Winfield, Manager of the Maritime Telephone & Telegraph Company, appeared before the Board in reference to the Company's new building on Sackville Street, stating that under the Building Act as at present interpreted it will interfere with the erection of their new building on Sackville Street; the plans calling for a building two storeys in height, which exceed forty feet.

Referred to the City Engineer to take the matter up with the Architect and Mr. Winfield.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY.

His Worship the Mayor reported verbally that there had been no tenders received for the lease of the Acadian School Building ^{Orange Street} up to the present.

WATER EXTENSION CORK STREET.

Alderman Parker asks for the extension of the water

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Augment

service pipe on Cork Street to the new house being erected for Mr Ernst.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

Works Department.

Water Maintenance	\$ 385.95
Water Construction	173.33
Sewerage	96.65
Internal Health	54.49
Streets	1215.34
Teams & Stables	560.25
City Property & Market Maintenance	239.48
Deposits Private Work	53.40
City Hall Lighting	48.55
Street Lighting	2359.75
Fuel	220.00
Telephones	40.19
Night Soil Plant	23.40
Electric Wiring Inspection	4.50
Permanent Pavement	723.12
Permanent Sidewalks	582.97
Loan Assessment Improvement	34.51
	<u>\$6815.78</u>

Police Department.

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Maritime Telephone Co.	Phones	\$14.40
Thos. G. Johnson & Sons	Badge	2.50
Dr. H. McFatrige	Destroying Dog	1.00
Neil Fox	Repairs	1.00
T. C. Allen & Co.	Books	18.50
Hfx. Herald	Advertising	6.27
John Starr & Son	Batteries	.90
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising	4.65
W. S. Bayer	Laundry	1.55
Alden L. Lavers	Repairs	30.27
		<u>\$ 78.06.</u>

City Home.

Gunn & Co.	Flour	187.50
Wentzell's Ltd.	Groceries	334.36
J. A. Leaman	Meat	371.27
A. Wilson & Son	Fresh Fish	41.85
Smith & Proctor	Butter	134.75
Scotia Pure Milk Co.	Milk	101.45
W. Y. Kennedy	Dry Goods.	94.92
Fleischmann Co.	Yeast	4.20
S. C. Thompson	Forage	11.70
A. Fordham	Leather	24.49
Jas. Simmonds	Hardware	16.21
Halifax Tram Co.	Light	15.08
Maritime Tel. & Tel. Co.	Phones	3.75
H. McFatrige	Horseshoeing	3.50
John Fl Outhit	Potatoes	48.75
H. H. Banks	Potatoes	61.77
Alfred Carter	Repairs	3.25
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	.63
Willis Bors.	uniforms	4.50
A. E. Boutlier	Mowing Grass	13.50
Brookfield Bros.	Lime	1.75
James D. Walsh	Flypaper	1.65

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E. B. Eddy Co.
Dr. P. Weatherbe
Dr. Forrest
B. J. Mulcahy
Salariez
Buckley Coal Co.

Spittcons 2.25
Lunacy Certificate 5.00
Lunacy Certificate 5.00
Cash Expended 39.38
Pay Sheet August 699.62
Coal 233.63
\$2455.71

General Accounts.

T. C. Allen & Co.

Printing &c.
City Assessors \$16.00
Collector 7.35
Clerk 80.95
n Auditor 4.50 108.80

A. & W^{rs} McKinlay

Books &c.
City Collector 49.00
Assessors 88.00 137.60

Halifax Herald
Blackadar Bros.
Royal Bank of Canada
St. Patrick's Home

Advertising 3.75
Advertising 8.10
Cheque Books 10.25
Maintenance of Boys
under C. P. Act 96.00

Halifax Industrial
School

do 78.00
Services 10.00

E. M. Veith
Dr. Finn, M. E.

Certificates of Death-
Wm. Witherall \$4.
Charlotte Meagher \$4
Ehos. Moore \$4
Jas. Johnson \$4
E. W. Gosine \$4
Unknown \$4
J. M. Huggins \$4
G.J. Burgess \$4
32.00
\$ 484.50

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The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

Mayor

A. Hall

Acting Secretary.

Council Chamber, City Hall,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor, and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Shed in Residential District.
Billboards.
Road Campbell Road to Richmond Yard.
Water Extension Cork Street.
Kempt Road Subway Sewer.
Accounts.
Morris Street Sidewalk.
Windsor Street Sidewalk.
Cornwallis Street.
Water Extension Outside City Limits.
Acadian School Property - G. W. Outhit.
Spouting at City Home.
Dilapidated Building 161 Campbell Road.
Dilapidated Building Corner of Colubus and Gottingen Sts.
Street Light Green Street.
Liquor License Act.
Progress Payment, Heber Hartlen.

SHED IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

H. H. Marshall appeared before the Board asking the decision of the Board in regard to his application to extend a waggon shelter on Cedar Street.

The Board decided to grant the permission asked for.

BILLBOARDS.

Read report Acting City Engineer re the application of the E. L. Ruddy Co. for permission to erect a billboard on the south side of Green Street near the corner of Queen Street, stating that residents in the vicinity were strongly opposed to it, and recommending that the permit be not granted.

Also read letter Miss Mary E. Fletcher, strongly opposing the granting of said permit.

It is decided to refuse the granting of the permit.

Read report Acting City Engineer re billboard on Barrington Street, as follows:-

Engineer

September 12th, 1916.

City Engineer's Office,
September 11th, 1916.

~~BILLBOARD BARRINGTON ST.~~

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report a violation of ordinance 33 relating to bill posters and the posting of bills. No permit for the erection of the same has been obtained from the Inspector of Buildings as required by the ordinance, neither have the plans, specifications and particulars of the billboard been submitted.

The ordinance provides that a billboard shall be set back in a vacant lot a distance equal at least to the vertical height of the said billboard. This board does not comply with this section. The most serious aspect of the case, however, is that this lot is one of the exits required by law from the Strand Theatre. The minimum width of the exit is specified to be 5 feet. The passageway left between the Tramway Building and the edge of this billboard is only 3 ft. 8 in., and the way the board is built, makes a passage converging towards this narrow passage, which would cause a congestion at this point in case of a panic and hurried exit of a number of people from the Theatre.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

A. P. Ryan, of the E. L. Ruddy Bill Posting Co., being present, asked the Board to allow the billboard to remain as it is until after the Exhibition, as the changes required to be made will require considerable work.

The Board decides to grant Mr. Ryan's request, provided his Company will write a letter to the Board assuming all responsibility in case of accident.

The Board again considered the matter of the granting of a permit for a billboard on Barrington Street north from Proctor Street (see Board of Control minutes June 22nd, 1916, p. 138), and after consideration, decided to refuse the granting of the permit.

Read letter E. L. Ruddy Co., reporting that they have removed the billboard on Longard Road, owned by Asch Limited, Montreal, which was objected to by Alderman Parker. Filed.

*Consent ✓
E. L. Ruddy Co.
Engineer ✓
Anti-Cor. Clerk ✓*

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ROAD CAMPBELL ROAD TO RICHMOND RAILWAY YARD.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 11th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying letter from the Secretary of the Board of Trade that on the 26th of July I reported on the subject matter of his complaint, and attach copy of said report.

I have heard nothing further from the Railway Department with regard to their agreeing to pay the ordinary sewerage rates should the sewer be built on Campbell Road. I have urged this matter on them repeatedly and have been unable to get a definite reply to my letters.

The construction of the sewer is not altogether necessary for the repair and maintenance of the roadway complained of, as if a ditch were dug on the west side of the road leading from Campbell Road to the railway yard, the water seeping through or running over the east side of Campbell Road could be conducted to the culvert crossing the yard.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to E. A. Saunders, Secretary of the Board of Trade.

WATER EXTENSION CORK STREET.

Read report City Engineer re water extension Cork Street as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 11th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying application for the extension of the water service on Cork Street, that the pipe runs to within about fifty feet of Mr. Ernst's new house. The extension will be on the high service, size of pipe, 6-inch, estimated cost \$205.00, interest at 5%, \$10.25.

There is one house on the extension already made, owned by Mr. Hall, who pays an annual rate of \$12.95, that being the interest on the cost of the extension to his house.

I would recommend that the extension be made and that the special rate to Mr. Ernst be fixed at \$11.60; Mr. Hall's rate to be reduced to the same amount.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

*Engineer ✓
E. A. Saunders ✓*

*Engineer ✓
Council ✓*

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KEMPT ROAD SUBWAY SEWER.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 11th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control that the 16-inch cast iron sewer laid through the subway at Kempt Road in 1907 by the Railway Department, was for the purpose of carrying off the surface water, which, owing to the diversion of the road, could not find its outlet in the old channels.

I wrote the resident engineer of the Canadian Government Railways on July 14th that I considered that the ownership of this sewer vested in the railway and the maintenance of the same should be undertaken by it.

This sewer connects with the drainage from the I.C.R. shops and roundhouse and yard. There have been numerous complaints to the Health Board of the offence arising from the discharge of this sewage through an open ditch to the Basin, and the railway authorities have for some time been considering the necessity of building a sewer to the salt water to take care of it. I understand from the General Manager that there is no appropriation this year for the purpose, so that it will not be built in the near future. Under the circumstances, I do not think that any more sewage should be discharged into this ditch to increase the offensive conditions there at present.

H. W. Johnston.
Acting City Engineer.

Controller Murphy is requested to go into this matter with the City Engineer with a view to seeing if conditions cannot be remedied.

ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts are passed for payment:-
City Health Board. \$69.15; Citizens' Free Library,
\$3.79.

MORRIS STREET SIDEWALK.

Deputy Mayor Colwell appeared before the Board, stating that the sidewalk on Morris Street, north side, from Pleasant Street to Dundonald Street is in a very dangerous condition.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WINDSOR STREET SIDEWALK.

Controller Harris informed the Board that the

*Engineer
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Council

Engineer

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sidewalk on Windsor Street between Charles and Willow Streets is badly in need of repair.

Referred to the City Engineer.

CORNWALLIS STREET.

Alderman Folwy appeared before the Board asking when the City intended to permanently pave Cornwallis Street, stating that the street is at the present time in a very bad condition, and that it is almost impossible for heavy teams to get along.

WATER EXTENSION OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS.

Alderman Foley asked if the water extensions to Dutch Village applied for by property owners outside the City limits would be made this fall, and asked that a fire hydrant be placed in the vicinity.

Deferred until after October 1st, the last day upon which applications will be received for water connections to private property outside the City limits.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY - C. W. OUTHIT.

Controller Harris verbally reported that he had had a conference with C. W. Outhit, who said he would agree to pay the City a yearly rental of \$1500.00 for the property occupied by him, the City to make any necessary ~~alterations~~ ^{repairs} to the building.

The Board decides to recommend to Council that the City lease to Charles W. Outhit the Acadian School property on Barrington Street now occupied by him, at a yearly rental at the rate of \$1700.00 per year to date from April 1st, 1916, three months ^{notice} by either party to terminate the lease, all required alterations or repairs to the building to be done by the lessee.

SPOUTING AT THE CITY HOME.

Read letter George H. Kinsman, amending his tender for spouting at the City Home.

Controller Halliday reports that there are no funds available this year to have the work done, and the letter and Controller Halliday's report submitted at last meeting covering all tenders received are filed.

Engineer

*Mayor
Engineer*

Engineer

*Mayor
Council*

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DILAPIDATED BUILDING 161 CAMPBELL ROAD.

Controller Murphy asked for a report on dilapidated building, #161 Campbell Road.

Referred to the Building Inspector.

DILAPIDATED BUILDING CORNER COLUMBUS & GOTTINGEN STS.

Controller Harris reported a dilapidated building at the corner of Colubus and Gottingen Streets.

Referred to the Building Inspector.

STREET LIGHT GREEN STREET.

Controller Murphy informed the Board that street light #275, head of Green Street, has been frequently reported out.

Referred to the City Electrician for report.

LIQUOR PROHIBITION ACT.

A delegation from the Rotary Club, consisting of Messrs. L. A. Miles, H. O'C. Baker, M. O. Crowell, Chas. Bell and H. H. Marshall, and R. H. Murray, representing the Nova Scotia Temperance Alliance, appeared before and addressed the Board, strongly urging that the City take steps to have the Liquor Prohibition Act enforced, and an Inspector appointed.

His Worship the Mayor informed the delegation that the City Solicitor has given his opinion that there are no funds from which to pay the salary of an Inspector, but promised to take the matter up further with the Solicitor.

PROGRESS PAYMENT HEBER HARTLEN.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending payment to Heber Hartlen of \$230.06 on account of his contract for delivery of stone. Approved.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

Citizens' Free Library.

The Book Room	Book	\$1.25
McClelland & Goodchild	"	1.31
J. E. Lippincott Co.	"	1.23
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		\$ 3.79

Engineer

Engineer

Electrician

*Mayor
Solicitor*

Chief of Works

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City Health Board.

T. C. Allen & Co.	Envelopes	3.25
S. Cunard & Co.	Coal	55.27
King Edward Stables	Conveyance patients	26.25
C. Pope	Cleaning chimneys	3.75
Morton & Thompson	Hammer, etc.	.63
		<hr/> \$89.15

The Board adjourned.

Council

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

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ACTING SECRETARY.

Engineer

Commissioner

Health Officer

Inspector

Council Chamber, City Hall,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Sewer Overflow 198 Morris Street - R. Giles.
Coal Weighers' Monthly Report.
Motor Passenger Boat License.
Exhibition Half Holiday.
Water Meter Bill 68 Granville Street - Estate Jas. Hunter.
Policeman.
Billboard, Barrington Street.
Clive Street Sewer and Water Extension.
Instructor for Police Force.
Water Supply St. Mary's Hall.
Roughening of Pavement on Hills.
Street Railway Extension, Hollis Street.

SEWER OVERFLOW 198 MORRIS STREET - R. GILES.

Read complaint R. Giles, 198 Morris Street, of overflow of sewage into his cellar.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

COAL WEIGHERS' MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report Coal Weighers for the month of August, showing each man to have received \$78.55. Filed.

MOTOR PASSENGER BOAT LICENSE.

Read application George H. Holder, 128 Cunard Street, for a license for a motor passenger boat to ply between the Market Slip, MacNab's Island and vessels in the Harbor.

Referred to Controller Harris for report.

EXHIBITION HALF-HOLIDAY.

It is decided to request His Worship the Mayor to proclaim Wednesday afternoon, 20th inst., during the holding of the Provincial Exhibition, a public half-holiday.

WATER METER BILL 67 GRANVILLE STREET - ESTATE JAMES HUNTER.

Read water meter bill Estate James Hunter, 67 Granville

Engineer ✓

Control ✓

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Recorder ✓
mail ✓
Echo ✓
City clerk ✓

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Street, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to Controller Murphy and the City Engineer for report.

POLICEMAN.

Controller Harris submits application of John Martin McMaster for position of policeman, and recommends that he be appointed.

Approved, and McMaster is appointed policeman to temporarily fill the place of a policeman enlisted for the war.

BILLBOARD BARRINGTON STREET.

Read letter McInnes, Mellish, Fulton & Kenny, solicitors for Frank Reardon, re billboard Barrington Street at property of Frank Reardon. (See Board of Control minutes September 12th, 1916, pp. 339, 340).

Halifax, N. S.,
September 14th, 1916.

To His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Halifax.

Dear Sirs:-

On behalf of Mr. Frank Reardon we beg to advise you that the Strand Theatre Company is not entitled to an exit over Mr. Reardon's property to Barrington Street, and that we are this day commencing an action against said Company and its manager for trespass in forcing such an exit.

We may add that Mr. Reardon instructs us that he has provided an exit to said Theatre on Argyle Street, and that the Theatre Company had the right to use the Barrington Street exit only while the exit to Argyle Street was being constructed in such a way as to meet with the City's requirements.

McInnes, Mellish, Fulton & Kenny.

Filed.

CLIVE STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for sewer and water extension Clive Street from Oxford Street north.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

INSTRUCTOR FOR POLICE FORCE.

Read application George Lathan for position as

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Engineer

Chief of Police ✓

Council ✓

Engineer ✓

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physical director and traffic director for the Police Force. Filed.

WATER SUPPLY ST. MARY'S HALL.

Read application St. Mary's Y. M. T. A. & B. Society for installation of a 2-inch water pipe in their building, Barrington Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ROUGHENING OF PAVEMENTS ON HILLS.

Read letter Alderman Kelly recommending that the pavements on the steep grades of Barrington Street north of Buckingham Street, and George Street between Granville and Barrington Streets, be roughened as a remedy to prevent accidents to horses.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

The Board adjourns until 11 o'clock.

11 o'clock, a. m. The meeting is again called to order, all of the members being present.

STREET RAILWAY EXTENSION HOLLIS STREET.

His Worship the Mayor announced to the citizens in attendance that the following advertisement had been published in the newspapers:-

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Control will hold a meeting on Thursday, September 14th, 1916, at the City Hall, at 11 a. m., to hear persons interested in the extension of the Tramway service through Hollis Street and laying a single track instead of a double track on Granville Street.

P. F. Martin
Mayor.

His Worship the Mayor invited those desiring to do so to present to the Board their views for or against the application of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company to extend their rails on Hollis Street to Buckingham St. and to operate a single track service on Granville Street.

The Board is addressed in opposition to the operation of a single track on Granville Street by Charles S. Barnstead, C. R. Hoben, Andrew MacKinlay, E. J. Murphy,

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A. L. Wood, C. C. Starr, A. B. Wiswell and Capt. D.A. Scott.

Frank D. Hillis and Alderman Hines favored the proposed extension along Hollis Street.

H. R. Mallison, on behalf of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, explained that the Company does not desire to oppose the wishes of the citizens, but is anxious only to provide a better service.

Mr. Mallison is requested to investigate the suggestion that instead of the proposed extension of track on Hollis Street from George Street to Buckingham Street and the taking up of double track on Granville Street between George Street and Buckingham Street, that the Company should build a loop for north bound cars running from Hollis Street up Prince Street and along Granville Street to connect with the double track at the corner of Granville Street and George Street.

Mr. Mallison agreed to the suggestion and promised to communicate further with the Board.

The Board adjourned.

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Engineer
Engineer

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

Council Chamber, City Hall,

September 29th, 1916

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Morris Street Sidewalk.
Sewer Overflow 198 Morris Street - R. Giles.
Fodder.
Watershed on Long Lake.
Coal Weighing.
Acadian School Property - C. W. Outhit.
Jubilee Road Electric Light,
Expropriation of Property on Long Lake Watershed at Beech Hill.
Morris Street Extension.
Sewerage Western Slope of the City.
Exhibition - Fakirs' Row.
Salary Late Ewen Morrisson.
Motor Passenger Boat License.

MORRIS STREET SIDEWALK.

Read report Acting City Engineer re the condition of Morris Street sidewalk, reporting that it is in a dangerous condition, and that a concrete walk was ordered to be constructed on October 7th, 1915.

It is decided to recommend to Council that this walk be ordered to be laid this season as soon as possible, out of its regular turn.

SEWER OVERFLOW MORRIS STREET - R. GILES.

Read report Acting City Engineer on complaint of R. Giles, 198 Morris Street, of overflow of sewage into his cellar, recommending that a storm overflow be constructed to relieve the situation. Approved.

FODDER.

Read report Clerk of Works re tenders for fodder as follows:-

City Works Office, Sept. 19th, 1916

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I beg to notify your honorable body that

Engineer ✓
Council ✓

Engineer

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the contract for supply of forage will expire November 1st, next, and to ask authority to advertise for the City's requirements for a further period of twelve months, or to the end of the present civic year, as you may deem best.

It would appear that the one-year term would be in the best interest of the City.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

The Clerk of Works is instructed to advertise for tenders for fodder for the various civic / for six months and for twelve months.

WATERSHED OF LONG LAKE.

Read report Acting City Engineer covering plan and description of property required by the City for the preservation of the purity of the water supply, Long Lake.

The report is referred back to the Engineer to obtain, if possible, offers from the various property owners of their present prices for the land required by the City, and report.

COAL WEIGHING.

Read application Alexander Collier, 73 Lawrence Street, for position of coal weigher. Filed.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY - G. W. OUTHIT.

Controller McKeen asked as to the present position of the Acadian School property matter.

His Worship the Mayor stated that it had been decided on September 12th to recommend to Council that the property be leased to Mr. Outhit at a rental of \$1700.00 per year.

It is decided that Controllers Harris and Murphy should interview Mr. Outhit before the recommendation of September 12th is forwarded to the Council.

JUBILEE ROAD ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Alderman Finlay requested that an electric light be installed on Jubilee Road at the corner of Larch Street

Clerk of Works ✓

*Engineer ✓
P/C ✓*

Filed ✓

*Cont. Harris ✓
Cont. Murphy ✓*

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Referred to the City Engineer for report.

EXPROPRIATION OF PROPERTY ON LONG LAKE WATERSHED AT
BEECH HILL.

Read report City Clerk that he had paid into the Supreme Court the sum of \$3,900.00 as compensation for land expropriated by the City on Long Lake watershed at Beech Hill.

Referred to the City Council for its information.

MORRIS STREET ~~SIDEWALK~~ Extension.

Controller McKeen reported that the fencing around property recently purchased by the City for the extension of Morris Street to Dalhousie College had not yet been removed.

The City Engineer is instructed to have the fence taken down at once.

SEWERAGE WESTERN SLOPE OF CITY.

Read letter John W. Regan re sewerage western slope of City as follows:-

Halifax, September 14th, 1916.

The Mayor and Members Board of Control.
Dear Sirs:-

The matter of the construction of the North West Arm sewer has been before the public now for the last four or five years and I remember on several occasions that the members of the Board of Control including the present board have promised that they would take this matter up without delay, and have it definitely dealt with.

So far as I am aware the sewer proposition is no further ahead now than it was several years ago. If that is not the case I will be glad to receive a statement to the contrary.

I would like to point out that Wards Three and Five west of Oxford Street are building up very rapidly and next summer there will be a serious condition which will be a menace to public health as there are cesspools in several localities here, the contents of which are reaching the open gutters.

Although the amount of new building in this section is heavy it would be much greater if there were sewerage and the City ought to encourage development of this kind which is creating new assessment. I respectfully submit

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that the Mayor and Board of Control should take hold of this important matter.

John W. Regan.

The Secretary is instructed to inform Mr. Regan that agreeably to Section 12 of Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916, the City Engineer is preparing a plan of proposed sewerage system for the western slope of the City, which it is expected will be submitted during the month of October.

*Engineer ✓
John W. Regan ✓*

EXHIBITION - FAKIRS' ROW.

Controller McKeen called attention to comments in the newspapers upon gambling and other objectionable features in the so-called "Fakirs' Row" at the Provincial Exhibition.

*Cont. Harris ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

Referred to Controller Harris and the Chief of Police for investigation, and with authority to close down any objectionable booths they may find.

SALARY LATE EWEN MORRISON.

Controller Murphy re-submits an application on behalf of the widow of Ewen Morrison, which was submitted at a meeting of the Board March 10th, 1916, for payment to Mrs. Morrison of her husband's salary to the end of the civic year ending April 30th, 1916.

Cont. McKeen ✓

Referred to Controller McKeen for report.

MOTOR PASSENGER BOAT LICENSE.

Controller Harris verbally reports recommending the granting of a motor passenger boat license to George H. Holder, 128 Cunard Street, to ply between the Market Slip, MacNab's Island and vessels in the Harbor.

Asst. City Clerk ✓

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. M. Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

Council Chamber, City Hall,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Fire Chiefs' Convention, Windsor, Ontario.
Tenders for Water Meters.
British Sailors' Relief Fund.
Water Meter Reader.
Gratuity to Heirs of Firemen William Knapman.
Spring Garden Road Widening at St. Paul's Cemetery.
Birmingham Street Sidewalk.
Motor Ferry Boat License.
Patricia Avenue and Sherwood Street Water Extension.
Assessment Plans.
Elm Street Water Supply - Domestic Hydrant.
Water Meter Bill 114 Maynard Street - W.S. Lavers.
Annual Inspection Fire Department.
Police Winter Trousers.

FIRE CHIEFS' CONVENTION, WINDSOR, ONTARIO.

Read report Chief of Fire Department re his attendance at Convention of Dominion Fire Chiefs' Association held at Windsor, Ontario, August 8th to 11th, 1916, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
September 12th, 1916.

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

I have the honor to submit to you the following report of my attendance at the Convention of the Dominion Fire Chiefs' Association held at Windsor, Ontario, August 8 - 11 of this present year.

The Convention was attended by about 125 fire chiefs from all over Canada, and there were also present several experts closely connected with fire causes and prevention. These experts included Provincial Fire Marshals, Electro-Chemical experts, the Secretary of the National Fire Protection, and a New York expert on building construction, all of whom contributed valuable papers for the information of and discussion by the Convention.

I have, in the past, had the privilege of attending several Conventions of fire chiefs, but the one held at Windsor was, I can truthfully say, the best

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in every respect of any that I have attended, and feel sure that the papers read and the discussions thereon and the interchange of views amount the 125 men present whose business it is to fight the fire fiend, will prove highly beneficial to them as individuals and through them to the different cities in which they work.

The papers read covered a wide field in fire fighting work, but the key note of the Convention was inspection and fire prevention, and the value of these two elements in fire work was neatly summed up by an Irish Chief present when he declared "That the fires that never start cost nothing to put out".

The papers read included the following:-

Fires caused by accident, carelessness or design, by Chief J. W. Graham, Ottawa Fire Department.

The fire wall an essential in crowded buildings, by H. F. J. Porter, M. E., New York.

Significance of fire waste by F. H. Wentworth, Boston, Secretary of the Nation Fire Protection Association.

Standardization of fire protection by J. Graves Smith of the Dominion Commission on Conserfation.

Spontaneous Combustion, by G. H. P. Walker, B.Sc., of the Electro-Chemical Salt Co.

The duties, responsibilities and work of the fire marshal's office, by F. W. Heaton, Fire Marshal for the Province of Ontario.

Observations on town planning and fire prevention by Thomas Adams.

And there was also submitted a report by the Committee on Fire Prevention.

All of the papers were interesting and valuable and through all of them ran the current of impressing upon the public the necessity for fire prevention rather than fire extinguishing, and there is no question but that if the suggestions offered at the Windsor Convention were adopted by civic authorities, fire extinguishing and fire losses would be reduced to a minimum.

The matter of fire prevention opens up a very wide field covering causes that are preventable and it is of course impossible for me to embody in this report all that pertains to this important matter. I am, however, attaching to the report a printed copy of the report of the committee on fire prevention. I do this because I believe the information and suggestions contained in that report could be used to advantage as a basis for fire prevention laws in this City. The report embodies the results of investigation by a number of the most prominent fire chiefs in Canada, and is a very valuable document.

Another important matter brought forward was the good results following the appointment of Provincial

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Fire Marshals, and the necessity for these officials. Several of the provinces have fire marshals and as they work in conjunction with the fire chiefs in the different cities and towns, each local chief being a deputy provincial fire marshal, much benefit has resulted, and I hope the time is not far distant when the province of Nova Scotia will be in line with the chief marshal.

Another very important matter dealt with the question of so-called "spontaneous combustion" fires. In this connection a most interesting demonstration was given of the ease with which a fire of incendiary origin could be credited to spontaneous combustion. The demonstration given was the sprinkling of a small quantity of a certain chemical over a number of loose papers which within a few minutes after their treatment burst into flames. There was absolutely nothing about the unburned portion of this paper, after the fire had been tramped out, to show any cause for the fire except spontaneous combustion, and there is but little doubt that many fires listed to that cause are due to the use of the chemical used in this demonstration. This is mentioned here to merely show you gentlemen how easy it is for an incendiary to perform his nefarious work and yet go scot free.

Another interesting feature brought out at the Convention is that with very few exceptions all Canadian Cities of 12,000 or over of population have motorized fire departments, and in this feature of fire work I have no hesitation in saying that Halifax is not keeping pace with other places.

In conclusion, permit me to say, gentlemen, that I thank you for the privilege of attending the Convention of the proceedings of which this report contains a very brief summary. Personally, I enjoyed the proceedings very much, whilst in my capacity as Chief of our Halifax Fire Department, I learned many things that I think can be advantageously applied to my work here.

P. J. Broderick,
Chief Halifax Fire Department.

The report is ordered to be copied in the minutes of the Board and forwarded to the Council for its information.

TENDERS FOR WATER METERS.

Read letter Francis Hankin & Co., as follows:-

Montreal, 19th September, 1916.

The City Clerk,
Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

Referring to our tender of July 14th, covering water meters, shall be greatly obliged if you will kindly inform us whether definite action has been taken on this matter, as we are desirous of securing the return of our deposit cheque of \$1000.00

Thanking you in anticipation of an early reply, we remain,

FRANCIS HANKIN & CO.

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Referred to the City Engineer for report at Tuesday's meeting with the request that he report also as soon as possible upon the tenders and his tests of samples of water meters.

Engineer

BRITISH SAILORS' RELIEF FUND.

Read letter Town of Dartmouth to the City of Halifax, conveying thanks, as follows:-

Dartmouth, N. S.,
September 16th, 1916.

Mr. Peter F. Martin,
Mayor of Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

Words cannot express our appreciation of the kind assistance rendered by the good sober City of Halifax in connection with "TWILBEE", which I am thankful to say proved a success, resulting in a large sum of money being realized for the "British Seamen's Relief Fund".

Thanks very much for allowing us to use the City flags and lamps, which were returned safely the 14th inst. There are still a few lamps at the Dartmouth Coal Co.'s office which we overlooked when the others were sent back, but these will go over in a day or two.

E. F. Williams.
Chairman
on behalf of the Committee

Filed.

WATER METER READER.

Read application C. G. Brander, 36 Sackville Street, for position of water meter reader. Filed.

Filed

GRATUITY TO HEIRS OF FIREMEN WILLIAM KNAPMAN.

Read application Mrs. Knapman, widow of William Knapman, a driver of the Fire Department, for payment over of the gratuity authorized by Section 15, Chapter 36, Acts of 1916.

*Cont. McKeen
Cont. Halliday*

Referred to Controllers McKeen and Halliday for report.

SPRING GARDEN ROAD WIDENING AT ST. PAUL'S CEMETERY.

Read letter Vestry of St. Paul's Church, as follows:-

Halifax, September 20th, 1916.

L. Fred. Monaghan, Esq.,

Dear Sir:-

I am in receipt of your favor of the 1st

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inst., with further reference to the matter of widening Spring Garden Road, In reply would say that I have been instructed by the Chairman of our Committee to obtain from you a plan, showing in detail, just how many feet would be required of St. Paul's Cemetery to carry out this proposed widening of Spring Garden Road.

Upon receipt of this information I will be pleased to again place the matter before the Committee.

C. F. Jubien,
Vestry Clerk
St. Paul's Church.

*Engineer ✓
C. F. Jubien ✓*

Referred to the City Engineer to submit to the Board of Control the plan requested.

BIRMINGHAM STREET SIDEWALK.

Read petition for a concrete sidewalk on the west side of Birmingham Street, from Spring Garden Road northward to the end of the Street.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

MOTOR FERRY BOAT LICENSE.

Read application Edward A. George, Dartmouth, for a license for a motor ferry boat to ply between the Market Wharf, MacNab's Island and vessels in the Harbot.

Cont. Harris ✓

Referred to Controller Harris for report.

PATRICIA AVENUE AND SHERWOOD STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for water extension from Watermain Road through Patricia Avenue and Sherwood Street to Chebucto Road.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ASSESSMENT PLANS.

Tenders for furnishing plans of the City of Halifax for assessment purposes are received and opened as follows:-

M. E. Crouch, Nipigon, Ont.,	\$14,500.00	22 mos.
without plotting buildings	9,250.00	18 "
Including materials and all expenses.		

MacKenzie & MacKenzie, Moncton, N.B., \$665.00 per sheet of 2 ft. by 3 ft. on a scale of 60 ft. to an inch; less 10% if buildings omitted.

Will produce one sample sheet utilizing any correct existing plans etc. the City has at actual cost plus 15% based on following rates of wages:

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Office Engineer \$3.75 per day; Field Engineers
and Surveyors \$6.25; Tapemen \$2.50/

Percival W. St. George, Montreal, P.Q., \$18,500.00 15 mos.
without plotting buildings 12,000.00 12 "

H.B. Picking, Halifax, N.S. 9,450.00 18 "
without plotting buildings 6,000.00 12 "
Will do work for actual cost plus 10% in 18 mos.

Reginald W. McKenzie, Halifax, N.S. \$15,000.00 24 mos.
without plotting buildings 10,000.00 24 "

Walter W. Pollock, per Harry Rogers & Co.,
his Agents, Cleveland, Ohio.
Will instal Somers Unit System of Realty
valuation within four months for \$6500.00.
Will furnish a map showing outlines of all
blocks and block and lot maps from existing plans
etc. for \$1800.00,
or, will furnish to the City Engineer a
draughtsman for \$10.00 per day.

Manufacturers' Appraisal Co., Walter W. Pollock, Presi-
dent, Philadelphia, Pa.
Will instal Somers Unit System of Realty
valuation for \$10,000.00 plus \$1800.00 or \$2000.00
for plans not including measuring or plotting or
buildings. The City to provide maps estimated by
the tenderers to cost not less than \$4000.00 to
\$5,000.00.

The tenders are referred to the City Engineer and
City Assessor for accurate analysis and tabulation and
report.

ELM STREET WATER SUPPLY - DOMESTIC HYDRANT.

Read petition Kenneth White, Qtr. Mr. Sgt., for
water extension Elm Street, or a domestic hydrant.

Referred to the City Engineer for report, together
with report on petition referred to him on August 29th,
1916.

WATER METER BILL 114 MAYNARD STREET - W. S. LAVERS.

Read water meter bill W. S. Lavers, 114 Maynard
Street, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ANNUAL INSPECTION FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Controller Halliday announced that that the Annual
Inspection of the Fire Department Men, Horses and appar-
atus would be held at the North Common on Monday afternoon
next, 25th inst., at 3 o'clock, and requested all the
members of the Board to attend.

Engineer
Assessor

Engineer

Engineer

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POLICE WINTER TROUSERS.

*Chief of Police
Circular.*

At request of Controller Harrie, the Secretary is instructed to advertise for tenders for supply of about 53 pairs winter uniforms trousers for the Police Department.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

L. J. Monaghan
L. J. Monaghan

MAYOR.

CITY CLERK.

Water and Gas Street Streets Straightening.
Fraser Street Sewer.
North Street Electric Light.
Baldwin Street Grading.
Plumbing in Dwelling House.
Hydro-electric lighting.
Death of Alderman Kelly's 5th.
Electric Lighting Contract.
Asquith School Property.
Hall Oct and Drain Sewer.
Salted Street.
Water Extension Outside City Limits.
Automobile Garage in Residential District.
Moving Building.
Street Light Road of Green Street.
Street Car Fenders.
Walking in Residential District - St. James Street.
Jubilee Road Concrete Sidewalk.
Water Meter Glass.
Prohibition - Expenses of Enforcing New Scotia
Tobacco Tax.
Nova Scotia Car Works.
Broom Street Sewer.
University Road Water Extension.
Harvard Street Sewer and Water Extension.
Dunhill Road Water Extension.
Jubilee Road Water Extension.
Elm Street Water Extension.
Grassway - Side of William Keenan.
Salary late been paid.
Fleeting Tack.
Atlantic City Health Board.

WATER STREET AND GERRY STREET STRAIGHTENING.

Read letter from Messrs Halifax Properties, Ltd., re straightening of Water Street and Gerry Street, at their property.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

FRASER STREET SEWER.

W. A. Wharton appeared before the Board, presented the plans and proposed to have the sewer laid on the east side of Fraser Street, making well action

Engineer

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

September 26th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Walnut and Chestnut Streets Straightening.
Preston Street Fence.
Mott Street Electric Light.
Seldon Street Grading.
Plumbing in Dwelling Houses.
Hydro-electric Lighting.
Death of Alderman Kelly's Son.
Electric Lighting Contract.
Acadian School Property.
Bell Oat and Grain Crusher.
Salter Street.
Water Extension Outside City Limits.
Automobile Garage in Residential District.
Moving Building.
Street Light Head of Green Street.
Street Car Fenders.
Building in Residential District - 51 Vernon Street.
Jubilee Road Concrete Sidewalk.
Water Meter Clerk.
Prohibition - Expenses of Enforcing Nove Scotia
Temperance Act.
Nova Scotia Car Works.
Roome Street Sewer.
Chebucto Road Water Extension.
Harvard Street Sdwer and Water Extension.
Campbell Road Water Extension.
Jubilee Road Water Extension.
Elm Street Water Extension.
Gratuity to Widow of William Knapman.
Salary Late Ewen Morrison.
Fleming Park.
Accounts City Health Board.

WALNUT STREET AND CHESTNUT STREET STRAIGHTENING.

Read letter Liquidators Halifax Properties, Ltd., re straightening of Walnut Street and Chestnut Street, at their property.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

PRESTON STREET FENCE.

W. A. Monaghan appeared before the Board, representing rate-payers in the neighborhood, asking what action

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the City proposed to take in connection with the fence erected on Preston Street at the end of Seldon Street.

His Worship the Mayor informed Mr. Monaghan that the City Solicitor had given him his opinion that George A. Cox, the owner of the property ^{on} Preston Street, is within his rights in erecting the fence which prevents a thoroughfare from Seldon into Preston Street.

*W.A. Monaghan
Engineer*

MOTT STREET ELECTRIC LIGHT.

W. A. Monaghan complained that the inefficient lighting on Oxford Street at the foot of Mott Street, complained of by residents there, had not been remedied.

*W.A. Monaghan
Engineer*

His Worship the Mayor stated that he would instruct the City Engineer to make an appointment with Mr. Monaghan and go over the ground with him and report.

SELDON STREET GRADING.

W. A. Monaghan stated that some months ago the property owners who desired the taking over by the City of Seldon Street had applied for an estimate of the cost of grading the street, which report had been promised, but has not been forthcoming.

*W.A. Monaghan
Engineer*

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES.

Tenders for plumbing in dwelling houses under Health Rules are received and opened as follows:-

<u>Property.</u>	<u>Geo. H. Kinaman.</u>	<u>M. F. Burns.</u>
5 Bauer Street	\$150.00	\$130.00
17 " "	167.00	134.00
19 " "	168.00	144.00
336 Agricola Street	154.00	160.00
48 Maynard Street	144.00	150.00
50 " "	163.00	150.00
346 " "	186.00	164.00
18 June Street	138.00	142.00

Engineer

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

HYDRO-ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that

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S. M. Brookfield and Hon. A. W. Redden had waited upon and informed him that the Halifax Power Co. are unable to proceed with their undertaking to furnish hydro-electric power to the City of Halifax, owing to financial troubles.

S. M. Brookfield ✓

On motion of Controllers Harris and McKeen, the Secretary is instructed to request Mr. Brookfield to submit their report made verbally to the Mayor, in writing, by Thursday, the 28th inst., if possible.

DEATH OF ALDERMAN KELLY'S SON.

Read letter Mr. & Mrs. E. J. Kelly acknowledging receipt of expression of sympathy from the Mayor and City Council. Filed.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

*Engineer ✓
Electrician*

The City Engineer and City Electrician are instructed to at once proceed with the preparation of specifications and form of contract upon which to call for new tenders for the furnishing of electric lighting for streets and City buildings.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that C. W. Outhit adheres to his offer to rent the Acadian School property, Barrington Street, at \$1500.00 per year, and states that he will pay no more than that.

*Council
B/C*

The Board decides to recommend to Council the resolution passed in respect to this matter on September 12th, 1916, (See Board of Control minutes September 12th, p. 343, September 19th, p. 351).

The City Clerk is requested to lay upon the table the original agreement between the Board of School Commissioners and C. W. Outhit, April 1st, 1891, in respect to the property occupied by him, for inspection by the Board of the conditions relating to repairs to the premises.

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Read offer John Janigian for lease of the Acadian School Building, Argyle Street, for a period of three or five years for the sum of \$500.00 per year. Filed.

Filed

BELL OAT AND GRAIN CRUSHER.

Read letter The Twin City Oil Co., asking for payment of two Bell Oat and Corn Crushers supplied to the City on certain conditions, for the Fire Department and the Works Department.

*Engineer ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓
Twin City Oil Co ✓*

The City Engineer and the Chief of the Fire Department are requested to make immediate reports as to the results of their trials of these machines in their respective Departments.

The Secretary is instructed to inform the Company of the action taken by the Board on their letter.

SALTER STREET.

Read letter John A. Neville complaining of the condition of Salter Street, both roadway and sidewalks, from Hollis Street to Water Street.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER EXTENSION OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS.

Read applications Miss Annie McGregor and Mrs. H. McGregor Hall, E. Lawson Fenerty, Dr. A. E. Doull and A. D. Falconer for connection with the City's water supply with properties outside the City limits.

Engineer ✓

The same are referred to the City Engineer for report after October 1st, the last day for receiving such applications, together with similar applications submitted at meeting of the Board August 29th from Daniel Chisholm and Mrs. T. J. Egan.

AUTOMOBILE GARAGE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read report Acting City Engineer on application from N. Ecceresley for permission to construct an automobile garage at the corner of Jennings Street and Preston Street.

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Deferred until next meeting, the City Engineer to attend and furnish further information to the Board.

*Engineer ✓
B/C*

MOVING BUILDING.

Read report Acting City Engineer on application from W. H. Strum for permission to move the building No. 8 South Street, near the lumber yard, from its present position along South Street to a new location between Queen Street and South Park Street.

*Engineer ✓
B/C*

The Engineer is requested to report as to the condition of the building.

STREET LIGHT HEAD OF GREEN STREET.

Read report City Electrician re street light No. 275 at the head of Green Street.

NV Gastonguay ✓

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to N. V. Gastonguay.

STREET CAR FENDERS.

Read report City Electrician re street car fenders as follows:-

City Electrician's Office,
September 32nd, 1916.

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

Dear Sir:-

Council ✓

Regarding your inquiry re street car fenders, I am not prepared at this time to report favorably on any type of car fenders. The Utilities Board is getting together data for the purpose of deciding on the best type of safety appliances for street cars, and when this report is prepared I will submit a copy.

P. R. Colpitt,
City Electrician.

Filed.

BUILDING IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT - 51 VERNON STREET.

Read report Acting City Engineer covering application from G. A. Mosher to erect a store-house and work shop in rear of #51 Vernon Street, in the residential district.

*Engineer ✓
B/C*

The Acting City Engineer is requested to furnish a more detailed report.

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JUBILEE ROAD CONCRETE SIDEWALK.

Engineer ✓
Read petition for a concrete sidewalk on the north side of Jubilee Road between Oxford Street and Connaught Avenue.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

OXFORD STREET BUILDING LINE.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Oxford Street building line, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
August 11th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Engineer ✓
I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control that Mr. Charles A. Merritt proposes to repair and make some alterations to his building at #185 Oxford Street. The building, as it exists, is close to the line of the street. Some years ago the building line was established on this part of Oxford Street 15 feet back from the street line. Mr. Merritt would be allowed to make repairs to his house, but I am instructed by the City Solicitor that he would not be able to build any addition to it which would encroach over the building line. I do not think in the present state of this side of the street the City would be justified in spending any money to move this building back.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

WATER METER CLERK.

Read application Randall J. McCarthy for reinstatement into his position as Water Meter Clerk, as follows:-

Aldershop Camp,
21-9-16.

His Worship the Mayor and Board of Control,
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

I have been discharged from the 85th "Overseas" Battalion, C. E. F. Nova Scotia Highlanders, having been found medically unfit by Lt. Col. J. Hayes and his medical board, owing to throat trouble, after serving one year for my King and Country, and I now wish to return to duty in my former position at the City Hall.

R. J. McCarthy,
115 Quinpool Road,
Halifax.

The application for reinstatement covered commendatory recommendations from Lt. Col. E. C. Phinney and

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Lt. Col. J. Hayes.

It is decided to restore Mr. McCarthy to the position he held before enlisting for service for overseas.

PROHIBITION - EXPENSES OF ENFORCING N. S. TEMPERANCE ACT.

Read letter R. H. Murray, K. C., on behalf of the Halifax Temperance Alliance, as follows:-

Halifax, September 22nd, 1916.

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

On behalf of the Halifax Temperance Alliance I wish to call your attention to the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, Section 56, and the Act in amendment thereto, Chapter 67, 1912, section 8, which enacts as follows:-

"Such fines and penalties shall be appropriated and used for defraying expenses incurred under this Act, and for no other purpose".

Under these circumstances I ask that you appropriate all fines for the purpose of the enforcement of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act.

R. H. Murray.

Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

NOVA SCOTIA CAR WORKS.

Read letter the Eastern Trust Co., re sale of the Nova Scotia Car Works, Ltd., as follows:-

Halifax, September 25th, 1916.

The City Treasurer,
City Hall, Halifax.

Dear Sir:-

We have to advise you that by Order of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia dated July 4th, 1916, the entire property of Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, real and personal, situate in the City of Halifax, in the Province of Nova Scotia, including all the lands, buildings, plant, machinery, stock on hand and materials (subject to the mortgage and chattel mortgage to the City of Halifax, and all amounts due thereunder) was sold to the Canada Corporations Limited for the sum of \$167,500.00.

The Eastern Trust Co.,
H. C. Flood,
General Manager.

Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

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ROOME STREET SEWER.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending construction of a sewer in Roome Street from Acadia Street to Gottingen Street. Approved.

Council ✓

CHEBUCTO ROAD WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending against the petition of Patrick Bourke and H. A. Webb for water extension on Chebucto Road.

Engineer ✓

Approved, and the City Engineer requested to notify Mr. Bourke accordingly.

HARVARD STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer re sewer and water extension Harvard Street, recommending that the work be done. Approved.

Council ✓

CAMPBELL ROAD WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending water extension to two houses, 376 and 378 Campbell Road. Approved.

Council ✓

JUBILEE ROAD WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending water extension Jubilee Road to property of Joseph Leary. Approved;

Council ✓

ELM STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water extension Elm Street, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 22nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached request from Mr. White, asking for water supply on Elm Street. At present there is a domestic hydrant at the corner of Oak and Beech Streets, which will be removed when the extension already ordered along Oak Street to Elm Street is made.

I would recommend that this hydrant be installed at the corner of Elm and Oak Streets when the pipe is extended to Elm Street, (which will satisfy the demands of the petitioner) provided he will box in the same

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and be responsible for the care and maintenance of it.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

GRATUITY TO WIDOW OF WILLIAM KNAPMAN.

Controller McKeen verbally reports recommending that the City Treasurer be instructed to pay over to Marie Knapman, widow of William Knapman, a driver in the Fire Department, \$250.00, the same being the first instalment due her of the sum of \$1,000.00 authorized as a gratuity by section 15, Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916. Approved.

SALARY LATE EWEN MORRISON.

Controller McKeen verbally reports that he had made inquiries into the application of Mrs. Morrison, widow of the late Ewen Morrison, for a further gratuity from the City in addition to that authorized by the 1st Schedule to Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916. The present application from Mrs. Morrison is for the payment of her husband's salary for the two months following his death, namely March and April, 1916. The granting of the request would require further legislation, and the Controller did not deem it advisable to seek such legislation.

Approved, and Controller McKeen requested to write to Mrs. Morrison to that effect.

FLEMING PARK.

Controller McKeen informed the Board that he had recently visited Fleming Park, and stated that in his opinion there is not proper oversight of the Park, that vandalism is going on there, fine birch trees barked, etc., and the property littered with rubbish.

His Worship the Mayor stated he would take the matter up, and that he believed better arrangements would have to be made for next season.

Council ✓

*Treasurer ✓
Auditor ✓*

Cont. McKeen ✓

Mayor ✓

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris and McKeen.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Plumbing in Dwelling Houses.
Automobile Garage in Residential District.
Water Extension Outside City Limits.
LeMarchant Street Sidewalk.
Dilapidated Buildings.
Halifax Electric Tramway Co. Poles.
Citadel Hill Foot Paths.
Public Convenience Station.
Assessment Plans.
Hydro-electric Power.
Fleming Park.
Progress Payment for Cement.
Plumbing in Dwelling Houses.
Acadian School Property - C. W. Outhit.
Nova Scotia Highlanders.
Water Bill 67 Granville Street - Estate James Hunter.
Prohibition - Expenses in Enforcing N.S. Temperance Act.
Motor Ferry Boat License, E. A. George.
Halifax Electric Tramway - Proposed Change of Route.

PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES.

Read report Acting City Engineer re tenders for plumbing in dwelling houses under City Health Board regulations, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 27th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the tenders for plumbing in dwelling houses, that the following were received:-

	<u>G.H.Kinsman.</u>	<u>M.F.Burns.</u>
#5 Bauer Street	\$150.00	\$130.00
17 " "	167.00	174.00
19 " "	168.00	144.00
336 a Agricola Street	154.00	160.00
48 Maynard Street	144.00	150.00
50 " "	163.00	150.00
346 " "	186.00	164.00
18 June Street	138.00	142.00

I would recommend that the contract for doing the work at #5-17 and 19 Bauer Street, #50 Maynard and #346 Maynard Street be awarded to M. F. Burns, his tender

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for these houses being the lowest, and that the contract for doing the work at #336 Agricola, #48 Maynard and #18 June Streets be awarded to Geo. H. Kinsman his figure for these properties being the lowest.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

AUTOMOBILE GARAGE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

N. Eckersley appeared before the Board in connection with his application for permission to erect an automobile garage at the corner of Jennings and Preston Streets. (See minutes Board of Control September 26th, 1916, p. 364). Mr. Eckersley informed the Board that the proposed garage is purely for private purposes, and not a public garage under the Building Act, as intimated in the report of the Acting City Engineer.

It is decided to instruct the City Engineer to grant a permit, upon Mr. Eckersley filing an undertaking in writing that the garage is for private purposes only, and not in any sense a public garage.

WATER EXTENSION OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS.

Read application estate John Doull for water extension outside the City limits to property at Dutch Village.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

LEMARCHANT STREET SIDEWALK.

Read petition for a concrete sidewalk on LeMarchant Street, west side, between South Street and Morris Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

DILAPIDATED BUILDINGS.

Read report Acting City Engineer re dilapidated buildings, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 26th, 1916.

HisWorship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the following dilapidated buildings:-

163 Campbell Road. Owner, A. S. Burgess; agent McInnes, Mellish, Fulton & Kenny. This building

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is in my opinion a public disfigurement and in its present condition is no longer suitable for habitation or any business purposes, and its condition has existed for not less than six months. It has not been occupied for habitation or business during that time.

Gottingen Corner Columbus. Owner, J. H. Emmett. This building is in my opinion in such a state of non-repair as to be no longer suitable for habitation or business purpose, and this condition has existed for not less than six months. The building in its present condition is a public disfigurement.

Building in rear #35 Maynard St. Owner Est. Jn.R. Rawley. This building is in such a state of non-repair as to be no longer suitable for habitation or business purpose and in its present condition is a public disfigurement.

Under section 17 of Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1915 the Board of Control on receiving this report may appoint a time and place for the consideration of it, and shall give the owner or agent of the buildings not less than ten days notice of the time and place so appointed, furnishing him at the same time with copies of the reports of the Engineer, and at the time and place so appointed, such owner or agent may appear and be heard respecting the matter of such report.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The Building Inspector is instructed to serve upon the owners or agents of the respective properties referred to in his report the notices required under the provisions of section 17, Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1915, together with copies of his report; Tuesday, October 16th, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m., being appointed as the time at which the report will be considered, and at which the said owners or agents may appear and be heard respecting the matter of said report.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY COMPANY POLES.

Alderman Kelly appeared before the Board stating that the Halifax Electric Tramway Company is replacing existing square poles with round poles, and that he was under the impression the City's regulations required the use of square poles in the business district of the City.

The Acting City Engineer informed the Board that the Company have brought this matter to his attention,

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and informed him that they were unable to procure suitable square poles, that they have undertaken to trim the round poles to his entire satisfaction, and that the provision in the Poles and Wires Ordinance was that "in all cases where directed by the Engineer, square poles shall be erected."

CITADEL HILL FOOT-PATHS.

Alderman Kelly asked if something could not be done to improve the condition of the paths crossing the Citadel from the head of Duke Street to the corner of Cogswell and North Park Streets, and from the Town Clock to its junction with the path referred to.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that the City obtain legislation authorizing it to repair the path-ways across the Citadel, providing the Military Authorities would grant permission to the City to do so.

Referred to the City Engineer and City Solicitor for report.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCE STATION.

Read report Acting City Engineer covering plans and specifications for a public convenience station on the Grand Parade, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 27th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith plans and specifications for a public convenience station to be constructed at the Parade. I have had two plans made, each having similar accommodation, one for a location at the north end of the Parade, as originally proposed and recommended by the City Engineer, and the other for a structure at the south end of the Parade at the corner of St. Paul's Hill and Barrington Street., in the location recommended by Controller Murphy in his report of the 3rd of March, 1916.

The advantages claimed for the first location mentioned are, that the heating and lighting could be done from the City Hall system and that that part of the stable intended for males, could be superintended by the driver of the Police Patrol, reducing the annual cost of maintenance, and that the original cost

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would be less.

A disadvantage of the southern location is that a chimney of some sort will have to be built for the heating furnace.

I would recommend that tenders be called for on each set of plans, and that after receiving them and finding out the difference in cost, the location be decided upon.

H.W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The City Engineer is instructed to advertise for tenders on both plans submitted.

ASSESSMENT PLANS.

Read report Acting City Engineer on tenders for assessment plans of the City of Halifax, recommending the acceptance of the tender of H. B. Pickings at \$9,450.00, the report being as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 27th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the tenders received for making an assessment plan of the City of Halifax, that tenders were received from seven individuals or firms.

The specification on which tenders were asked, provided for the preparation and completion of a plan of the whole of the City of Halifax on a scale of sixty feet to the inch, drawn on sheets 23"x 36" showing every street, land, public square or place, building, structure, wharf, railway line, lot, division, and boundary line within the limits of the City, the contractor to supply the City with one set of plans on tracing linen, one set of negatives of all the plans and also two sets on linen bound into portfolios. The original note books, properly indexed, to become the property of the City. It also provided that the length of every boundary line should be marked in feet and the area of every lot given. Alternative bids were asked for doing all the work embraced in the specification, with the exception of measuring and plotting on the plans any buildings or structures.

The following tenders received were the only ones which complied with the specification:-

Firm or Individual	For complete Plan	Time of Completion	Cost of Plan with- out bldg	Time of comple- tion.
H. B. Pickings, Halifax	\$9450.00	18 mos.	\$6000	12 mos.
M. F. Crouch, Nipigon,	14500.00	22 "	9250	18 "
Reg. W. McKenzie, Halifax	15000.00	24 "	10000	24 "
Percival W. St. George Montreal	18500.00	15 "	12000	12 "

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The following informal tenders were also received:-

McKenzie and McKenzie, Moncton, tender to make the complete plan for \$665.00 a sheet, estimating 50 acres to the sheet. As there are approximately 4000 acres in the City, this would figure out at \$53200, and without the buildings and structures they offer to take of 10%, which would make their price for this \$47,900.00.

Walter W. Pollock, Cleveland, and the Manufacturers' Appraisal Company, Philadelphia, do not tender on our specifications at all, but offer to make plans required for introducing the Summers' Unit System of Realty Valuation. Mr. Pollock agrees to do the work of installing this system, for \$6500 for taxable property with an addition of \$1500.00 for property exempt from taxation, and will prepare a map showing the outline of all blocks within the limits of the City of Halifax and the dimensions of lots as accurately as may be obtained from existing records, for \$1800 additional. This would make his total bid \$9800.00

The Manufacturers' Appraisal Company offer to instal the Summers System for \$10,000 with an additional charge of \$1800 or \$2000 for the making of a block map of the City.

I have consulted with the City Assessor with regard to these two tenders, and he informs me that they do not cover what is required by him at all, and the work done by them would be of little or no use to any other department than the Assessors', so I do not think any consideration should be given to either of them.

Mr. Pickings makes an alternative offer to do the work according to the specification for a sum equalling the actual cost to him, plus 10%, and to complete the work within 18 months of the signing of the contract. McKenzie and McKenzie also make an alternative offer to do the work for the actual cost plus 15%.

Since the tenders were opened, I have also received an alternative tender from Mr. St. George offering to undertake the work for the remuneration of \$1000 per month, he to supply his own staff and instruments and all expenses with the exception of materials and office accommodation, and guaranteeing to complete the work within thirteen months.

After carefully considering these alternative offers, I do not think that any of them are as advantageous to the City as Mr. Pickings' original tender. The Assessor and myself both agree that it would be advisable to have the plans complete with all buildings and structures shown on them. As already stated, the specification provides that the note books, properly indexed, are to become the property of the City and the accurate dimensions of any building can always be obtained from these. When once a complete plan of the City, of this description, is made, it will be an easy matter to keep it up to date.

Mr. Pickings' figure of \$9450.00 for making a complete plan in accordance with the specification and a contract to be prepared by the City Solicitor, seems to me to be a reasonable offer and I would recommend that it be accepted.

H. W. Johnston
Acting City Engineer.

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Also read letter MacKenzie and MacKenzie, Moncton, N. B., re their tender.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council the adoption of the Acting City Engineer's report, Controller Harris dissenting.

HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER.

Read letter S.M. Brookfield, President Halifax Power Company, re their contract to light the City from hydro electric energy, as follows:-

Halifax, September 27th, 1916.

To His Worship the Mayor,
City Hall.

Dear Sir:-

We regret to inform you that owing to the war and increased prices of labor and machinery our financial people were unable to get the capital necessary to put out project through, and we are therefore unable to carry out our contract to light the City. Had your Council taken a half interest we would have had no difficulty whatever.

We beg to thank you and your Council for the consideration shown us.

Halifax Power Company,
Saml. M. Brookfield,
President.

The letter is referred to the City Council, with the information that the City Engineer and City Electrician have been instructed to prepare specifications for a new contract for supplying the City with electric light.

Controllers Harris and McKeen are authorized to interview Mr. Brookfield in order to ascertain if it may be possible for the City to secure rights in any portion of the water powers controlled by the Company, and report.

FLEMING PARK.

His Worship the Mayor stated that in consequence of the report made by Controller McKeen as to the condition of Fleming Park, he had visited the Park and found everything in first-class condition, and that he had found only two barch trees which had been recently barked.

PROGRESS PAYMENT FOR CEMENT.

On recommendation of the City Engineer the Clerk of

Council ✓

*Council ✓
Cont. Harris ✓
Cont. McKeen ✓*

✓
Clerk's work.

Works is authorized to make a progress payment of \$598.50 to J. C. Calder on account of contract for cement.

PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES.

Read report City Health Board that Mrs. Bridget Rhodes, 96 Gottingen Street, had been notified to instal sanitary plumbing in said premises, and had neglected to comply with the orders of the Board, and requesting that the Board of Control do said work under authority of section 864 of the City Charter.

✓
Engineer
City Health Board

It is decided to comply with the request of the City Health Board, and the work is ordered to be done accordingly, the City Engineer to prepare specifications of the proposed work, to obtain tenders for the same, and to report the same to this Board.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY - C. W. OUTHIT.

Agreeably to instructions of last meeting, the Secretary submits the agreement dated April 1st, 1891, between the Board of School Commissioners and Charles W. Outhit, in connection with the building on Barrington Street occupied by Mr. Outhit, being a portion of the Acadian School property, ~~the~~ provisions of which agreement read as follows:-

"And the said Charles W. Outhit doth further agree and covenant to and with the said Board that he, the said Charles W. Outhit, his executors, administrators and assigns, shall at all times during the continuance of this lease keep said building and premises in good substantial repair to the satisfaction of said Board, and should he or they fail to do so, that the necessary repairs may be made by said Board at the expense of said Charles W. Outhit, his executors, administrators or assigns. +

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and provided always, however, that the said lease shall become for feited and void at any time by the neglect or default of the said Charles W. Outhit, his executors, administrators or assigns for the space of 30 days after notice in writing to make any repairs as aforesaid required by the said Board, etc. "

The Board reaffirms its decision to recommend

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to Council the resolution passed September 12th, 1916, in respect to this matter.

NOVA SCOTIA HIGHLANDERS.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that it had been intimated to him it was likely a large number of the Nova Scotia Highlanders, nearly all of whom belong to Nova Scotia, and many of them to the City of Halifax, would be in the City about the middle of October, and thought some recognition of the circumstance should be taken, that the Officer Commanding might be requested to have them march through the centre of the City on a day to be appointed, and that possibly a citizens' half-holiday might be in order.

The Secretary is instructed to communicate accordingly with Col. W. E. Thompson, Commandant, Military Camp, Aldershot.

WATER BILL 67 GRANVILLE STREET - ESTATE JAS. HUNTER.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water meter bill 67 Granville Street, estate James Hunter, stating that he is unable, because of reports of waste, to recommend any reduction.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to the representatives of the estate.

PROHIBITION - EXPENSES OF ENFORCING NOVA SCOTIA TEMPERANCE ACT.

In reply to the application of R. H. Murray, K. C., on behalf of the Halifax Temperance Alliance, that the City appropriate all fines under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act for the purpose of enforcing the said Act, (see minutes September 26th, 1916, p. 367), the City Solicitor verbally reports that he had called Mr. Murray's attention to section 31, chapter 14, of the Acts of 1915, under which all fines and penalties recovered under the Nova Scotia Temperance Act are directed to be paid into the City treasury, and that Mr. Murray had

Col W E Thompson

*Engineer
see app of 17.*

R H Murray KC

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stated that he was not aware the said amendment had been passed.

MOTOR FERRY BOAT LICENSE - E. A. GEORGE.

Read report Controller Harris on application of E. A. George, Dartmouth, for a license for a motor ferrh boat, as follows:-

Halifax, September 28th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

Would recommend that the applicant be asked to advise the Board immediately how soon he will undertake to instal the necessary reverse gear, and that the matter of granting a license be considered on receipt of his reply, which shall be in the hands of the Board no later than Tuesday, October 3rd, 1916.

G. F. Harris,
Controller.

Approved.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY - PROPOSED CHANGE OF ROUTE.

Read letter Halifax Electric Tramway Co. and report Acting City Engineer re proposed change of tram lines on Granville and Hollis Streets, as follows:-

Halifax, September 25th, 1916.

H. W. Johnston, Esq.,
Acting City Engineer,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

At a recent meeting of the Board of Control, it was proposed by some of the citizens that this Company should divert its track up Prince Street and North on Granville Street to join the present Granville Street track, rather than follow the diversion originally proposed by way of Hollis Street, and His Worship the Mayor requested this Company to look into this proposal and furnish you with our views as to the practicability and advisability thereof.

We have carefully gone into the question and beg to advise you as follows:-

The proposed Prince Street route would not be as advantageous to the Company as a Hollis Street route for the reasons -

First - There is a heavy grade on Prince Street, which means increased operating expenses.

Second - It takes our line away from the Post Office and Dartmouth Ferry by some 100 yards.

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Third - It does not entirely obviate the difficulty of single curves, which it is our object, in proposing the Hollis Street change, to avoid.

In addition to all this, it will be almost impracticable to construct the track on Granville Street to cross George Street, for the reason that there is a very difficult grade across George Street, and unless the entire street grade was altered, or unless we were permitted to put an absolute step in the street crossing, our east rail would be six inches lower than the west rail, which, of course, makes it a physical impossibility to operate. Taking the width across George Street at nine feet, which would be necessary for the construction of our trackage, the eastern part of the right-of-way, would be ten inches lower than the outside limit of the western side. Giving consideration to the grade of George Street, and also the grade of Sackville Street at the corner, you will very promptly see this difficulty, and I would therefore respectfully request that you place the matter before His Worship the Mayor and the Board of Control at your early convenience, so that their decision regarding the Hollis Street proposed line will be given us as soon as possible.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY CO., LTD.,
Per H. R. Mallison.

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City Engineer's Office,
September 28th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith a letter received yesterday from the Halifax Electric Tramway Company in connection with the proposed change of route of their line on Prince and Granville Streets.

In the letter they state that the proposed Prince Street route will not be as advantageous as the Hollis Street route, for the reasons -

1st - The heavy grade on Prince Street, which means increased operating expense.

2nd.- It takes the line away from the Post Office and Dartmouth Ferry.

3rd - It does not entirely obviate the difficulty of single tracks, which is the object of the Company in pressing the Hollis Street change.

With regard to the first contention, the grade on Prince Street from Hollis to Granville Street is not excessive, and not as steep as many of the streets on which the Company operates a line.

The second point is correct, as it will mean that people coming from south wishing to go to the Post Office or the Ferry, will have to get off the car either at the corner of Prince and Hollis or Granville and George, making a longer distance to walk to these points, where at present they get off at the Post Office door and at the corner of Hollis and George Streets when going to the Ferry.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 3rd, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Robie Street Extension.
Cedar Street Sewer and Water Extension.
Young Street School Site Building Lot.
Allen Street Electric Light.
Acadian School Property.
Plumbing in Dwelling Houses.
Fodder.
Pound for Cattle, etc.
St. Patrick's Boys' School Site Expropriation.
Morris Street Sewer Extension.
Campbell Road and Kempt Road - Ocean Terminals Railway.
Purity of Water Supply - Expropriation of Properties.
Seldon and Mott Streets Grading.
Moving Building South Street.
Nova Scotia Car Works.
Bell Oat and Grain Crusher.
Water Inspector John E. Burns.
Residential District - Nursery.
South Street Water Extension.
Fire Department.
Theatre License Orpheus Theatre.
Early Closing of Shops Ordinance.
Ferry Motor Boat License.
Water Meter Tenders.
Watt Street Sewer and Water Extension.
Henry Street Sewer and Water Extension.
City Prison Monthly Report.
Accounts.

ROBIE STREET EXTENSION.

Captain John Hicks appeared before the Board in the matter of proposed extension of Robie Street southerly through his property, "The Oaks". He stated that from time to time during the past 50 years it had been proposed to extend Robie Street, and that now the Ocean Terminals Railway are prepared to construct a bridge crossing the railway cutting if the City undertakes to extend Robie Street. Unless the City expresses its intention of constructing the road, the Railway will not instal the bridge. If the City intends to construct

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the road, he asked that it be curved through his property to join Connaught Avenue in order that a certain knoll with ornamental shade trees thereon may be preserved. He would like to retain as much of the eastern portion of his property as possible.

Acting City Engineer Johnston stated that the extension of Robie Street is laid down on the official city plan to run through Captain Hicks' property.

At Captain Hicks' suggestion the Board decides to meet him on the ground with the Acting City Engineer on Friday afternoon, 6th inst., at 3 o'clock.

CEDAR STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for sewer and water extension Cedar Street, east of Henry Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

YOUNG STREET SCHOOL SITE BUILDING LOT.

Read letter Douglas W. Tyrer re building lots on Young Street School site, as follows:-

24 Kaye Street, Halifax, N. S.,
September 30th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

In reply to your letter asking me to amend my offer of \$600 to \$650 for lots #9 and #10, Young Street School property, I would say I would not be prepared to do this. In fact, after considering the outlook of property values for the future, I would not be prepared to pay more than \$550 at present.

Douglas W. Tyrer.

Filed.

ALLEN STREET ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Read petition for electric light Allen Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY.

Read offer John F. Ross to lease Acadian School building, Argyle Street, for five years, with option to purchase same, as follows:-

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Halifax, October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I write to enquire if your Honorable Body would be agreeable to granting a lease of the Acadian School Building, Argyle Street, for a term of five years, with option of purchasing same during said period, and if so what terms, price, etc., you would be prepared to accept.

Awaiting the favor of your early reply, I have the honor to remain,

THE ROSS PRINT,
John F. Ross.

Moved by Controller Harris that the building be rented to Mr. Ross for the period of five years at an annual rental of \$1,000.00, with option of purchase at any time during that period for the sum of \$10,000.

Moved by Controller Murphy that action be deferred on the offer until the Board's meeting on Thursday next, Controller McKeen to report as to how he proposes to finance the \$28,000.00 estimated to be derived from the sale of the Acadian School property.

Controller Murphy's suggestion is agreed to.

Read report Acting City Engineer re portion of Acadian School property occupied by C. W. Outhit, Barrington Street, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Acting under your instructions I have had the building on the Acadian School property occupied by Mr. Outhit examined by the Asst. Building Inspector, who reports that the brick work in the front and back needs pointing and the wood work on the front is in bad condition and needs repairing. It was reported that the roof was leaking, but the top of the building is floored over to be used as a playground for the school, and without tearing up this floor it was impossible to see the state it was in. The floors appear to be in a good state of repair.

H. W. Johnston.
Acting City Engineer.

Filed.

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9 PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES.

Tenders for plumbing in dwelling houses, #27 Columbus Street, under City Health Board regulations, are received and opened as follows:-

M. F. Burns, \$180.00, and George H. Kinsman \$220.00.

Being asked his opinion of the tenders, Alderman Godwin said he thought the City was installing more expensive plumbing in these dwelling houses under Health Board regulations than actual necessity demanded, and that the City is going too far in doing work which the property owners should do themselves without being financed by the City.

Engineer ✓

The tenders are referred to the City Engineer for report.

FODDER.

Tenders are received and opened for supply of fodder for the various civic departments from I. B. Shaffner & Co., Frank W. Fraser, F. Ainsley Shaw, Gunn & Co., Ltd., and S. C. Thompson.

Clerk of Works ✓

Referred to the Clerk of Works for report.

POUNDS FOR CATTLE, ETC.

Read report Clerk of Works re cattle pounds, etc., as follows:-

City Works Office, October 3rd, 1916.

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

I respectfully beg to call your attention to civic ordinance No. 25, relating to horses, cattle, swine, etc.

In the original ordinance the fee payable to the pound keeper for each animal was twenty-five cents (25¢). This ordinance was amended in May of this year making the fee Five Dollars (Five Dollars). No change was made, however, as to the disposition of said fee, and until otherwise directed I have to assume that the pound keeper is entitled to retain all of same.

I would also bring to your notice that I understand it has been the custom to appoint the engineer in charge of the Incinerator the pound keeper for the pound maintained at said premises. As Mr. P. H. Letson, who was the appointee, has retired, from the City employ, I would suggest

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the advisability of cancelling said appointment and putting someone else in charge of the pound at the Incinerator.

While on this question, in view of the increased cost of feed in recent years, might it not be well to amend the fee for food, which is now laid down as thirty cents (30¢) per day or part thereof.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Referred to Controller Harris for report.

ST. PATRICK'S BOYS' SCHOOL SITE EXPROPRIATION.

Read report Acting City Engineer re expropriation of the Hills property, Maitland Street, as part of site for new St. Patrick's Boys' School, Brunswick Street, covering plan and description of said property, and a formal resolution for approval by the Board and adoption by the City Council.

The said report of the City Engineer, together with plan, description and resolution are unanimously adopted, the said report, description and resolution being as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

Under the provisions of section 34 of Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916, if the Board of School Commissioners of the City of Halifax require land for the erection or extension of any school building or for a school playground, and is unable to obtain the same by purchase, and if, in its opinion, it is desirable that the same should be obtained by expropriation proceedings, the Board may apply to the Board of Control to obtain the said land by expropriation, stating the purpose for which the same is required, and the Board of Control may recommend to the City Council that such land or any part thereof be obtained by the City for the Board of School Commissioners, and if the City Council resolves that such land be so obtained by the City, the City may proceed to obtain the same by expropriation proceedings and the provisions of the Charter in that behalf respect (Sections 677 to 698 both inclusive) shall apply and have effect in that behalf.

Section 681 of the Charter provides, among other things, that the Engineer shall prepare a plan and description of the land proposed to be expropriated and a report on the matter of such expropriation and shall submit same to the Board of Control. In accordance with this section, I beg to submit herewith a plan and description of land said to be the property of the estate of

*Cont - Harris ✓
Clerk of Works ✓*

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James Hills situated on the east side of Maitland Street, which is said to be required by the School Board for the purpose of a proposed new school.

I Am attaching hereto resolution prepared by the City Solicitor.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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Description of Property to be Expropriated from
the Estate of Hills.

All that lot, piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being on the east side of Maitland Street in the City and County of Halifax, the said lot being more particularly described as follows:-

Beginning at a point formed by the intersection of the east line of Maitland Street with the north line of property #67 Maitland Street, formerly owned by Michael Ryan, the said point being distant sixty-eight feet ten inches more or less from the north line of property belonging to St. George's Church; thence northerly by the said east line of Maitland Street thirty feet four inches more or less or until it meets the south line of property now or formerly owned by John Norris; thence easterly by the said south line of the said Norris property one hundred and thirty-three feet five inches more or less; thence southerly twenty feet eight inches more or less; thence westerly three feet six inches more or less; thence southerly eight feet more or less, or until it meets the north line of the above mentioned Ryan property; thence westerly by the said north line of the said Ryan property one hundred and thirty feet three inches more or less to the place of beginning.

The above described lot being all that lot of land known as #69 Maitland Street, belonging to the Estate of Hills, as shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Land to be Expropriated by the City of Halifax from the Estate of Hills", signed by H.W. Johnston, Acting City Engineer, dated October 2nd, 1916, and filed in the City Engineer's Office at Halifax as plan 3549.

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WHEREAS the Board of School Commissioners of the City of Halifax has communicated its wish to obtain certain lands the property of the Estate of James Hills, situated on the east side of Maitland Street for the purpose of constructing the new St. Patrick's School, and it is unable to obtain the same by purchase and wishes the City to acquire the same for the Board by expropriation;

AND WHEREAS Section 34, sub-section 3 of Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916 provides that if the City Council resolves that such land be so obtained by the City, the City may proceed to obtain the same by proceedings for expropriation and the provisions of the City Charter in that respect (namely sections 677 to 698 both inclusive) shall apply and have effect in that behalf;

AND WHEREAS the Board of Control has expressed its approval of such request and has reported in favour of the

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same, and the City Engineer has furnished a plan and description of the property in question and a report in connection with the same;

THEREFORE RESOLVED that the recommendation of the Board be adopted and that the said plan and description furnished by the City Engineer be approved;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that notice of the intention to expropriate the said property be given to any owner of the said property and published in the newspapers in the manner directed by the Halifax City Charter.

MORRIS STREET SEWER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer on application of the Eastern Investment Corporation for sewer on Morris Street extension from LeMarchant Street to Dalhousie College grounds, recommending that the prayer of the petition be not granted.

Approved, the City Engineer to notify the petitioners accordingly.

CAMPBELL ROAD AND KEMPT ROAD - OCEAN TERMINALS

RAILWAY.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Campbell Road and Kempt Road at Fairview at Ocean Terminals Railway, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to report on the attached letter from Mr. John F. Gough that the statements contained in his letter are correct, and the street at the junction of Campbell Road and Kempt Road is in a very dangerous condition.

In constructing the subway under the Halifax Ocean Terminal railway at Fairview, it was necessary for the railway department to lower the grades of these two streets for some distance back of the crossing and extending past Mr. Gough's property on both streets.

The proposed grades of the street were submitted for approval, but the railway have only cut down a roadway to the new grade and have not graded the streets to this new grade to their full width, leaving a sidewalk several feet above the grade.

I would recommend that the City Solicitor be instructed to write the General Manager of the railway, asking him to have this work done immediately, as apart from the question of damage to Mr. Gough's business, which, I presume is a matter entirely between himself

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and the railway, there is a great liability of damage to the general public using these streets at this point.

I am attaching the photographs submitted by Mr. Gough with his letter.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved, the City Solicitor and Mr. Gough to be notified accordingly.

PURITY OF WATER SUPPLY - EXPROPRIATION OF PROPERTIES.

Read report Acting City Engineer re expropriation of properties on Long Lake watershed at Beech Hill as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I have had replies from the owners of two properties recently expropriated on the south side of the St. Margaret Bay Road at Beech Hill, accepting the amounts paid into Court as the value of their property.

I have also had replies from two others, refusing the amount and naming an arbitrator. As there is bound to be an arbitration in connection with some of the properties, it would be advisable for the City Council to appoint an arbitrator on behalf of the City, at its next meeting, so as to avoid delay.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

(See Board of Control minutes August 31st, 1916, pp. 318, 319).

The report is approved.

It is decided to recommend to Council that J. Clifford Harris be appointed arbitrator on behalf of the City.

Read report October 2nd, 1916, of Acting City Engineer re prices of land required at Long Lake for preservation of the City's water supply; also again read report of Acting City Engineer dated September 18th, 1916, submitted at meeting of the Board September 19th, 1916, of land required at the foot of Long Lake for the preservation of the purity of the City's water supply, covering plan of said property and a description thereof, together with a formal resolution for adoption by the Board of Control and

Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓
John F. Gough ✓

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City Council.

The said reports of the Acting City Engineer, together with plan, description and formal resolution are unanimously adopted and recommended to the City Council for approval, said reports, plan, description and resolution being as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
September 18th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control asking for further report on the land required at the foot of Long Lake, that in addition to the LeMarchant property mentioned in my report of August 31st, there are three other properties on the point between Yeadon's Cove and Long Lake dam, which I consider advisable that the city should expropriate.

Of these three properties, one is owned by the Heirs of Chas. Umlah, another by J. Nicholson and a third by F. Jollimore. The latter has a dwelling and shed on the property.

In 1914 the LeMarchant property was offered to the City for \$1500.00; the Nicholson property for \$250.00; the Jollimore property for \$1500.00. With respect to the Umlah property, we were unable to get any information, being unable to get in touch with the owners. At that time, the City Engineer estimated the value of the respective properties at \$500 for the LeMarchant property, \$150 for the Umlah property, \$1000 for the Jollimore property and \$30 for the Nicholson property. He stated that this was an estimate only, but as the variation in price between our estimate and that of the owners is so great, I would recommend that the properties be expropriated.

I am submitting the accompanying description and plan entitled "Plan of Land near Foot of Long Lake to be acquired by the City of Halifax", which shows the above properties bounded by red lines. I am also attaching a form of resolution prepared by the City Solicitor.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control asking for further information as to the price asked by the owners for the land required by the City, that I have seen Mr. Jollimore, who asks \$1500 for his property; Mrs. Nicholson \$150 for hers and a representative of the Heirs of Charles Umlah,

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\$500 for this property. As I have already stated, Mr. LeMarchant asks \$100 per acre for his, or approximately \$4000.00.

The area of the Umlah property is approximately six acres; the Jollimore property $\frac{4}{5}$ or an acre with a building and shed on it, and the Nicholson property one-half an acre.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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Description of Property to be Expropriated Near
the Foot of Long Lake.

All that lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being near the south-eastern side of Long Lake in the County of Halifax, the said lot being more particularly described as follows:-

Beginning at a point on the western side of the road leading from the Herring Cove Road to Long Lake dam, formed by the intersection of the western side of the said road with the boundary line of property belonging to the City of Halifax, the said point marked "A" on the plan hereinafter mentioned; thence following the various courses of the said boundary line of the said property of the said City of Halifax until it meets the eastern boundary line of property now or formerly owned by John Kline, thence north 61 degrees 15 minutes east by the said boundary of the said Kline property eight hundred and ninety-eight feet more or less or until it comes to a bolt in a large rock marking the north-western corner of property now or formerly belonging to Amos Yeadon; thence south 27 degrees 30 minutes east by the south-western boundary of the said Amos Yeadon lot and lots belonging to Andrew Yeadon and Isaac Yeadon for a distance of sixteen hundred and fifty feet more or less to the south-eastern boundary of the said Isaac Yeadon property; thence north 61 degrees 15 minutes east two hundred and sixty four feet more or less or until it meets the south-western boundary of property now or formerly owned by Isabella Ferguson; thence south 27 degrees 30 minutes east by the said boundary of the said Ferguson property three hundred and sixty-eight feet more or less or until it meets the south eastern boundary of the said Ferguson property; thence in a south-westerly direction by a straight line until it meets the above mentioned road at a point marked "B" on the plan hereinafter mentioned; thence by the various courses of the said road to the place of beginning;

The above described lot being all that property shown enclosed by a red line on a plan entitled "Plan of Land Near Foot of Long Lake to be Acquired by the City of Halifax" signed by H. W. Johnston, Acting City Engineer and dated the eighteenth day of September, 1916, and filed in the City Engineer's Office at Halifax as Plan # 2752.

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WHEREAS the City Engineer has reported recommending

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that certain lands forming part of the watershed at Long Lake and set out in a plan and description prepared by him, be expropriated for the purpose of improving the condition of the water supply of the City;

AND WHEREAS it is further reported by the City Engineer that a satisfactory arrangement as regards price cannot be arrived at and that it is advisable to obtain the same by expropriation;

THEREFORE RESOLVED that proceedings be taken in the usual manner by publication of notices and otherwise, for the expropriation of the same;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the plan and description of the land proposed to be expropriated and the report of the Engineer on the matter of such expropriation be, and the same are hereby approved;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Engineer be directed to give notice of the intention to expropriate as directed by law.

SELDON AND MOTT STREETS GRADING.

Read report Acting City Engineer re cost of grading Seldon and Mott Streets, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the request of Mr. W. A. Monaghan for an estimate of the cost of grading Seldon and Mott Streets, that I have had profiles made of these two streets and a grade line laid down. The estimated cost of grading the two streets is \$400.

The City Charter provides that upon the presentation to the Council of a petition signed by the persons owning not less than $\frac{2}{3}$ of the property fronting on any street, praying that such street be graded by the City at the cost of the owners of the property fronting thereon, the City may comply with said request under certain condition, which are set out in Section 602.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to W. A. Monaghan.

MOVING BUILDING SOUTH STREET.

Read report Acting City Engineer on application of W. H. Strum for permission to move the building #8 South Street to a new location on South Street, stating that the building is in good order, and fit to move.

The City Engineer is authorized to grant a permit

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for moving the building.

NOVA SCOTIA CAR WORKS.

Read letter Canada Corporations, Ltd., re the indebtedness, interest and sinking fund payments of the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, to the City, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
September 30th, 1916.

The City Treasurer,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

We are in receipt of your letter of 28th inst., enclosing a statement of account showing the amount due from the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, to the City, in respect of interest on mortgage and sinking fund payments as at July 1st last.

From these it would appear that the interest due amounts to \$16,406.25, and the sinking fund payments to \$11,626.56 with interest thereon amounting to \$465.07.

In purchasing the property of the Nova Scotia Car Works, Limited, we have it in mind to offer it to the old shareholders through a new Company to be formed for the purpose, and to continue the business and functions of the old Company. This is a work which will occupy some time yet, but we are writing to say that we realize the propriety of making these payments, and assure you that the matter will receive attention just as soon as the necessary arrangements can be completed.

Canada Corporations, Limited,
J. Moorman, Manager.

The City Solicitor is instructed to write the Canada Corporations, Limited, requesting immediate payment of the amounts due.

BELL OAT AND GRAIN CRUSHER.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Bell oat and grain crusher, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control that it is impossible to make an immediate report on the result of this machine, as it has only been installed and in operation about a fortnight. It will require a trial of a month or more before an opinion can be formed as to its economy and merits.

H. W. Johnston
Acting City Engineer.

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Cont Murphy ✓

Referred to Controller Murphy to ^{writes} report to the Twin City Oil Company.

WATER INSEPECTOR JOHN E. BURNS.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Water Inspector John E. Burns, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control that the Board of Health at a meeting held on the 18th of August, 1909, appointed Mr. John E. Burns as Asst. Plumbing Inspector, on condition that the said appointment would not entail any extra expense to the City or Board of Health.

At that time the plumbing inspection did not entail as much work as it does at present, but there were periods when the then plumbing inspector required assistance to keep up with his work. For this reason Mr. Burns was appointed to give a portion of his time to plumbing inspection work and the rest of the time to his duties as water inspector.

For the past two years he has been working practically altogether on plumbing inspection work. Mr. Morrissey informs me that it is impossible for one man to keep up with the work of inspection and that at the rate the work is growing, the work requires the time of two men. Mr. Burns' salary has been paid from Water Maintenance, but as his work is now altogether on plumbing inspection, I think that in future the Board of Health should provide for it in their estimates.

City Health Board ✓

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

The report is filed, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the City Health Board.

RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT -NURSERY.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 2nd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith application from Mr. Bellefontaine for a permit to erect a nursery at #246 South Street. The proposed building to be 20 feet frontage, 75 feet long and 12 feet high, to be used commercially as a nursery. The Act defining a residential district provides that before any building is erected for this purpose, permission shall be obtained from the Board of Control.

Engineer ✓

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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The City Engineer is authorized to grant the permit asked for.

SOUTH STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Council ✓

Read report Acting City Engineer re water extension South Street. Approved.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read report Chief Fire Department for the month of September, as follows:-

Office of Chief of Fire Department,
October 2nd, 1916.

To the Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg leave to make the following report:-

Council ✓

There have been five alarms of fire during the month of September from the following causes:- child with matches 1; lamp explosion 1; chimney 1; sparks from locomotive setting fire 2.

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| Insurance at risk..... | \$3,000.00 |
| " losses..... | \$75.00 |
| Losses without insurance..... | 25.00 |
| Total..... | <u>\$100.00</u> |

That Vincent Coy, Assistant Blacksmith, has resigned. Recommended for acceptance.

P. J/ Brédérick,
Chief Fire Department.

Approved.

THEATRE LICENSE ORPHEUS THEATRE.

Council ✓

Read application Halifax Nickel Theatre Co., Ltd., owners of the property, for renewal of license for the Orpheus Theatre, Granville Street.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the license be granted.

EARLY CLOSING OF SHOPS ORDINANCE.

Council ✓

Read letter City Clerk reporting that the recently passed amendment to the ordinance relating to the early closing of shops eliminating from the operation of said ordinance the month of December, has been approved by the Lieutenant Governor in Council.

Referred to City Council for its information.

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FERRY MOTOR BOAT LICENSE.

Read letter E. A. George, Dartmouth, withdrawing his application for a license for the operation of a motor boat ferry until next Spring because of the non-installation of reverse gear.

*E. A. George ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

The Secretary is instructed to notify Mr. George to discontinue the operation of his motor boat as a ferry from this date.

WATER METER TENDERS.

Read letter H. Mueller Mfg. Co., Ltd., Sarnia, Ont., as follows:-

Sarnia, Ont.,
September 25th, 1916.

Corporation of City of Halifax,
Halifax, N. S.,
Gentlemen:-

*Engineer ✓
H. Mueller Mfg. Co. ✓*

About two months ago we submitted our tender with certified check covering the Water Meters, for which you were asking prices, but so far we have heard nothing from you. We wonder what the situation is, and if this business is likely to be placed in the near future.

Any information you can give us will be appreciated.

H. Mueller Mfg. Co. Ltd.,
B. E. Palmer.

The Secretary is instructed to inform the Company that the tenders for water meters are still under consideration.

WATT STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read application for sewer and water extension Watt Street, east of Preston Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

HENRY STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Engineer ✓

Read petition for sewer and water extension, Henry Street, north from Binney Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

CITY PRISON MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report Governor City Prison for the month of September. Filed.

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ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts chargeable to the following departments are submitted and passed for payment as follows:- Library \$8.75; City Prison \$647.24.

SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS.

Library.

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| The Book Room | Book | 1.25 |
| McClelland & Goodchild | " | 1.31 |
| J.E.Lippincott Co. | " | 1.23 |
| Annual Review Pub.Co. | Subscription | 4.25 |
| Royal Print & Litho | Directory | 4.50 |
| | | <u>\$12.54</u> |

City Prison.

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| J.J.Scriven & Sons | Bread | 21.14 |
| E.W.Crease & Son | Groceries | 56.83 |
| W.A.Maling & Co. | Oxheads | 6.65 |
| J.A.Leaman & Co. | " | 3.15 |
| G.C.Hartlen & Co. | Beef | 4.85 |
| S.C.Thompson | Fodder | 19.80 |
| Stairs, Son & Morrow | Hardware | 7.30 |
| J. & M. Murphy | Dry goods | 7.33 |
| Black & Flinn | Lime | 2.50 |
| Neil Fox | Harness supplies | 2.40 |
| Irwin & Sons | Drugs | 8.06 |
| John Starr Son & Co. | Electric supplies | 2.40 |
| S.Cunard & Co. | Soft coal | 469.20 |
| Robt. Taylor Co. | Slippers | 2.00 |
| Halifax Electric Tram Co. | Current | 2.07 |
| Dr. McFatrige | Professional services | 20.00 |
| Hillis & Sons, Ltd. | Fittings | <u>4.55</u> |
| | | \$647.24 |

Council

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. Moraghan

CITY CLERK

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 5th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Cash Statement City Treasurer.
Cash Statements City Collector.
Garage in Residential District.
Nova Scotia Highlanders.
Liverpool and Dublin Street Water Extension.
Water Extensions Outside City Limits.
Quinpool Road and Chebucto Road Water Extension.
Acadian School Property.
Plumbing in Dwelling Houses.
Fodder.
City Home.
Street Railway - Proposed Change of Route.
Electric Street Lighting Contract.
Sewerage Western Slope of City.
Catchpits.
George Street Widening at Cragg Bros.' Property.
Motor Boat Ferry License.
Accounts.

CASH STATEMENT CITY TREASURER.

Read cash statement City Treasurer for the month of September.

Forwarded to the City Council for its information.

CASH STATEMENTS CITY COLLECTOR.

Read cash statements City Collector for the period from May, 1915, to September, 1916.

Forwarded to the City Council for its information.

GARAGE IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read letter R. N. Eckersley as follows:-

Halifax, October 4th, 1916.

The Board of Control.

Dear Sirs:-

As requested by you I write this letter as an assurance that garage I am building on Preston Street at the corner of Jennings Street is not intended for, and will not be used as a public garage.

This I understand covers the objection you had, and I trust will meet with your approval.

R. N. Eckersley.

Council ✓
Council ✓

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John T. Rockwell appeared before the Board object-
ing to the construction of a public garage in the neigh-
borhood proposed on the ground that it would prejudice
the value of three building lots he owns about 150 feet
from the site of the garage; when he bought the lots
he understood the district was set apart as a purely
residential district. He claimed that the garage is
a public garage from the fact that Mr. Eckersley pro-
poses to keep a delivery car there.

Having already authorized the issuing of the permit,
the Board decides not to cancel the same.

NOVA SCOTIA HIGHLANDERS.

Read letter Col. W. E. Thompson, re proposed parade
of Nova Scotia Highlanders, as follows:-

Aldershot Camp, 30th Sept., 1916.

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

Embarkation of N.S.H. Brigade.
Civic Half-holiday
Halifax, N.S.

Dear Sir:-

I beg to acknowledge receipt of
your communication of the 28th instant, re-
garding the subject noted in the margin, and
in reply to inform you that I have just re-
turned from Halifax, and while there, I took
this matter up with the G.O.C.

I am today forwarding your letter
to the D.A.A & Q.M.G., Military District No. 6,
asking him to take this matter up with the
G.O.C., and to advise you of the results.

W. E. Thompson, Colonel,
Commandant, Aldershot Camp. N.S.

Filed.

LIVERPOOL STREET AND DUBLIN STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for water extension Liverpool Street
and Dublin Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER EXTENSIONS OUTSIDE CITY LIMITS.

Read report Acting City Engineer, covering plan,

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recommending water extensions to properties outside City limits - Miss Annie McGregor, Mrs. H. McGregor Hall, Dr. A.E. Doull, Daniel Chisholm, Mrs. T. J. Egan, James T. Egan, Estate John Doull, A. D. Falconer, Harry Piers, H. V. Wier, Mrs. Emma Grant, H. L. Fenerty and E. Lawson Fenerty.

It is decided to recommend the report to Council for adoption.

It is also decided to recommend to Council for adoption the report of the Acting City Engineer on the same subject dated August 10th, 1916.

It is further decided to recommend that a minimum rate of \$8.00 per year plus meter rental be charged on water takers outside the City limits and that the City Engineer notify interested persons accordingly, said minimum rate for those already connected to commence May 1st, 1917.

QUINPOOL ROAD AND CHEBUCTO ROAD WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water extension Chebucto Road and Quinpool Road to the building recently erected on the west side of Quinpool Road near the Arm Bridge by George P. Murray, as a waiting room and dwelling, recommending that the extension be made on certain conditions. (See reference to report on water extensions to properties outside City limits submitted at this meeting).

It is decided to recommend the report to the City Council for adoption.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY.

W. Stetson Rogers appeared before the Board stating that he is acting on behalf of Charles W. Outhit, and that Mr. Outhit renews his offer of \$28,000.00 for the purchase of the Acadian School property running from

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Argyle Street to Barrington Street.

Mr. Rogers is requested to put his offer in writing.

Mr. Rogers submits the following offer:-

Halifax, October 5th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

In regard to Acadian School Property placed in my hands, we beg to submit following offer, namely, \$28,000.00, release of rental and cash to be paid for same on before January 1st, 1917.

Kindly place this matter before City Council this evening, and oblige,

W. Stetson Rogers & H.H. Rogers.

His Worship the Mayor is authorized to interview Mr. Rogers and ascertain if Mr. Outhit will make separate offers for the Acadian School building and for the building now occupied by Mr. Outhit, and also to obtain from John F. Ross the best offer he will make for both rental and purchase of the Acadian School property.

The Board decides to meet this evening at 7.30 to receive report from His Worship the Mayor.

PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES.

Read report Acting City Engineer on tenders for plumbing in dwelling house #27 Columbus Street under City Health Board regulations, recommending the acceptance of the tender of M. F. Burns at \$180.00.

The report is recommended to City Council for acceptance.

FODDER.

Read report Clerk of Works re tenders for fodder for the various civic departments, recommending the acceptance of the tender of S. C. Thompson for 12 months supply, delivery as required, total on estimated quantities \$10,904.00.

Recommended to City Council for approval.

CITY HOME.

Read report City Home for the month of September,

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recommending that tenders for various services be called for.

It is decided to recommend that tenders be advertised for in the usual way, separate tenders for six months and for twelve months.

STREET RAILWAY - PROPOSED CHANGE OF ROUTE.

The Board discussed the matter of proposed single track on Granville Street and extension north through Hoblis Street to Buckingham Street, and the alternative proposal for single track Prince Street and the block of Granville Street from Prince Street to George Street.

It is decided to advertise another public hearing for Thursday next, 12th inst., the Tramway Company to be asked to send representatives to the meeting.

Subsequently A. L. Wood and C. R. Hoben, representing Granville Street merchants, appeared before the Board, and were informed of the action taken.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

Read report Acting City Engineer covering specification for electric lighting the streets and City buildings as drawn by the City Electrician and himself, the report being as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 5th, 1916.

His worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith a specification drawn by the City Electrician and myself covering the lighting of the streets and City buildings in the City.

The specification asks for tenders for a five-year period and for the same amount of wattage that is furnished under the present contract. The type of lamps specified is the nitrogen-filled tungsten 448-lamp filament pendant type lamp. The wattage required at present to supply 448 lamps would be sufficient, with the new type of lamp, to supply two hundred 300 watt lamps and five hundred 200 wan watt lamps, or a total of seven hundred lamps - 252 more than we have at present. Each of these lamps will be more effective than the type at present in use.

It might be advisable in the form of tender to ask for prices for a five year or ten year tperiod.

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I would recommend that the specification be adopted and that the City Engineer be authorized to call for tenders.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

It is decided to recommend the report and specification to the City Council for approval.

In regard to the withdrawal of the Halifax Power Co. from their contract to light and streets and City buildings, the City Solicitor is requested to draft a form of report to the City Council.

The City Solicitor submits the following:-

"The Board recommends that the Council adopt the withdrawal of the Halifax Power Company from its contract with the City and determines that contract both in accordance with the notification from the Company and under the power to cancel the contract contained in the contract itself."

Approved.

SEWERAGE WESTERN SLOPE OF THE CITY.

Read report Acting City Engineer covering plan of a sewerage system for the whole of the western slope of the City draining to the North West Arm, and also plan #2252 entitled "Location Survey of North West Arm", the report recommending the obtaining of the necessary right of way and the constructing of an intercepting sewer at the North West Arm, and also all sewers on Jubilee Road from the Arm to Oxford Street, and the Bloomingdale Terrace from Jubilee Road to Quinpool Road, and on Quinpool Road from Bloomingdale Terrace to Oxford Street, the work when commenced to be done by contract.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the report and said plan #2252 be adopted, the report being as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 5th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir,-

The City Engineer has reported on the question of the disposal of the sewage of the western slope, several

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His Worship the
Mayor

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times during the past four years. In his last report on March 9th of the present year, he says - "There were two proposals considered; one, to discharge the sewage at a point on the Arm not far below South Street; the other to discharge at Chain Rock or not far below it. Of the two proposals, considering everything but cost, the location at Chain Rock or below it, would be preferable, but as this location means heavy outlay, a study was made for the purpose of discovering, if possible a solution of the problem that would not necessitate such a heavy outlay. I made a recommendation for the location of an outlet at a point below South Street and I believe that the discharge could be made there, in deep water, without serious consequence." Further on he says, "I have not changed my mind but have the same opinion as I gave in the various reports on this question. If the taxpayers desire the best solution and are prepared to pay the price, then I should say, take the outlet at Chain Rock. If they want cost considered, then I think that the outlet should be at the point below South Street until the necessities of that portion of the City between that point and the Park are so great that an extension of the trunk sewer further south, is necessary."

Section 30 of Chapter 74 of the Acts of 1914 was repealed at the last session of the legislature and a clause substituted therefor, providing that the City should not proceed with the expropriation of any land for the purpose of constructing a sewer into the North West Arm until the City Engineer had prepared a plan of the main trunk sewers required to properly dispose of the sewage of the western slope of the City of Halifax north of Point Pleasant Park, and had certified that the plan so prepared was, in his opinion, the most practical and efficient method of disposing of the sewage of such western slope, and that no lands or interests in lands not shown on said plan as being required for any such sewer, should be expropriated by the City.

I am advised by the City Solicitor that the requirements of this section as regards the plan would be fulfilled by submitting a plan of the intercepting sewer alone. However, I have in addition prepared a plan of a sewerage system for the whole of the western slope draining to the Arm.

No matter which site is chosen for the outlet, I think the most practical and efficient method of disposing of the sewage of the western slope is by discharging it into the salt water, where there is an adequate body of water available for its efficient dilution, diffusing the outflow by means of orifices in the sewer. The sewage disposal works of the South Metropolitan system of Massachusetts, discharges over fifty million gallons per day through an outlet with thirty feet of water over it at low tide. Tests to determine the degree of dilution of the sewage that takes place before it reaches the surface and the condition of the sea water immediately above the outlets were made last year in August. The results shewed that the quantity of albuminoid ammonia present in the water amounted to only 5% of that found in the sewage, and the maximum number of bacteria present was less than 2% of the number present in the sewage.

The Chief Engineer of the State Department of Health, Massachusetts, reports that the experience at each and all of the sewer outlets in Massachusetts where the sewage

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is discharged at the bottom of the sea at a depth of thirty feet or more of water at low tide and where the volume of water passing the outlet is ample for its proper dilution, shows that the sewage is in all cases diluted before reaching the surface of the sea, to an extent comparable with the purification effected by the best methods of treatment that have thus far been developed for the disposal of sewage.

It would be an unnecessary expense to design the intercepting sewer large enough to carry the storm water of a large rainfall, but all that is necessary would be to design it large enough to remove a portion of the excess of flow in time of rain in addition to the dry weather flow of sewage. Overflow outlets should be placed at the foot of the various streets leading to the Arm, and at other points where required to carry the storm water directly to the Arm. As these heavy rainfalls are of infrequent occurrence during the summer, and the sewage so highly diluted, there would be no danger in doing this, as it is proposed to have the storm overflows discharge below low tide, as it is proposed. The only inconvenience would be to the sense of sight, as there would probably be some discoloration of the water near the mouth of the overflow.

I am of the opinion that discharging the sewage at a point near Black Rock at a depth of thirty feet below low tide is an efficient means of disposing of it for some years to come, and is a practical way of doing it at the present. But I cannot say it is the most efficient way, as I believe to continue the sewer to near Point Pleasant and discharge the sewage there, would better fulfil this requirement, but as the cost of this would entail an estimated additional expenditure of over \$115,000.00 in addition to the cost of the right of way, I do not think it is the most practical under present conditions. If Mr. Doane's and my opinion, that there will be no serious offence for some time to come from locating the outlet near Black Rock should prove to be erroneous, the sewer could then be extended to the outlet near the point, and the only extra expenditure that would have to be incurred would be a portion of the cost of the outlet near Black Rock, as a storm overflow would be required near this location in any event.

The plan #3353, submitted, shows the intercepting sewer extending to a permanent outlet near Point Pleasant and provides for a temporary outlet near Black Rock, with storm overflows. This in my opinion is the most practical and efficient method of disposing of the sewage of the western slope.

I would recommend the construction of an intercepting sewer with storm overflows as shown on plan #2252 entitled "Location Survey of North West Arm" and that the necessary steps be taken to acquire the lands or interests in lands required for the sewer as shown on such plan; and that when that part of the right of way between Oakland Road and Jubilee Road has been acquired, the construction of this portion of the sewer be immediately proceeded with, and that the Engineer be authorized to prepare detailed plans and specifications of this section and advertise for tenders for the work.

The sanitary conditions on some of the streets of the western slope are very bad, due to the lack of sewers, and

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as more houses continue to be built on these streets, the conditions will become worse unless provision is made for removing the sewage. In view of this fact, I would also recommend that plans and specifications be prepared and tenders called for, for the construction of a sewer on Jubilee Road from the Arm to Oxford Street and on Bloomingdale Terrace from Jubilee Road to Quinpool Road and on Quinpool Road from Bloomingdale Terrace to Oxford St.

H. W. Johnston
Acting City Engineer.

On motion of Controller Harris the City Engineer is instructed to prepare and submit a supplementary plan comprising a sewerage system for all that portion of the western slope of the City not included in the plan showing a sewerage system for the western slope draining into the North West Arm which was submitted today.

CATCHPITS.

Alderman Parker requested that catchpits be constructed at the following places:- Longard Road and Kane Street; North Creighton and Kane Streets; Bilby and Agricola Streets; Roome and Acadia Streets; Agricola and Livingston Streets; north east corner; and also catchpits on Agricola Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

GEORGE STREET WIDENING AT CRAGG BROS.' PROPERTY.

E. P. Allison, representing Cragg Bros., appeared before the Board stating that he desired from the City a plan of the property acquired from Cragg Bros. for the widening of George Street at their building, in order that the same can be accurately described in the release of mortgage and deed to the City.

The City Solicitor and City Engineer stated that the City is not in a position to give the lines required.

The Board suggested to Mr. Allison that he furnish the plan himself, and that the City lend him any assistance that the City Engineer can give.

MOTOR BOAT FERRY LICENSE.

On the application of Lance Corporal Byron Dauphinee

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By Mr. Dauphinee
for a motor ferry boat license, to ply between Ives Point and the city, submitted at meeting August 8th, 1916, Controller Harris reports recommending that the Secretary notify Mr. Dauphinee that he will have to suspend operations until he instals reverse gear in his boat. Approved.

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts are submitted and passed for payment as follows:- City Health Board \$7.65; Police Department \$100.48; General Accounts \$246.38; Works Department \$5639.26; Fire Department \$3355.59; City Home \$2790.99.
Health Board.

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| Kinldy's Ltd, | Drugs | 2.65 |
| T.C.Allen & Co. | Stationery | 4.00 |
| E.W.Crease | Dutch Cleanser | 1.00 |
| | | <u>\$7.65</u> |

Police Department.

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| Halifax Herald | Advertising | 6.27 |
| Chronicle Pub. Co. | " | 12.54 |
| Frank Colwell | Coats | 40.00 |
| Imperial Oil Co. | Oil | 1.05 |
| Dr. H.McFatrige | Destroying dog | 1.00 |
| Halifax Vulc, Works | Motor Cycle Casing | 12.90 |
| Telephone Co. | Phones | 144.42 |
| John Starr Son & Co. | Repairing horn | 1.00 |
| Acadian Recorder | Advertising | 9.30 |
| W. S. Bayer | Laundry | 1.00 |
| T.C.Allen & Co. | Envelopes | 1.00 |
| | | <u>\$100.48</u> |

General Accounts.

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| Dr..Finn | Certificates of death | |
| | Fred Murphy | \$4.00 |
| | Elizabeth Giles | 4.00 |
| | Gerald Kelly | 4.00 |
| | Mary J.Simmonds | 4.00 |
| | Thos.L.Spelman | 4.00 |
| | | <u>20.00</u> |
| E.M.Vieth | Furnishing information | 10.00 |
| T.C.Allen & Co. | Stationery | |
| | City Clerk | 130.20 |
| | Fire Department | 1.25 |
| | City Treasurer | 4.30 |
| | " Solicitor | 5.95 |
| | " Collector | 8.80 |
| | | <u>150.50</u> |
| E.H.Blois | Apprehending neglected children | 8.00 |
| Blackaddar Bros. | Advertising | 6.20 |
| Halifax Herald | " | 8.36 |
| Chronicle Pub. Co. | " | 44.32 |
| | | <u>\$246.38</u> |

Works Department.

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| Water Maintenance | 686.43 |
| Water Construction | 121.60 |

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Works Department (Continued).

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| Street Lighting | \$2320.86 |
| Sewerage | 250.88 |
| City Hall Lighting | 42.08 |
| Streets | 7452.50 |
| Night Soil Plant | 27.33 |
| Internal Health | 251.87 |
| Loan Assessment Improvement | 37.14 |
| Teams & Stables | 337.94 |
| City Property and Market Maintenance | 55.13 |
| Cleaning Paved Streets | 26.25 |
| Plumbing U ⁿ der Health rules | 34.64 |
| Electric Wiring I ⁿ spection | 2.50 |
| Permanent Sidewalks | 93.61 |
| Permanent Sidewalks | 598.50 |
| | <u>\$5639.26</u> |

Fire Department.

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| La France Fire Engine Co. | Generator | 76.50 |
| T. C. Allen & Co. | Stationery | 8.70 |
| Jas. T. Brodie | Carpenter | 760.00 |
| S. Cunard & Co. | Coal | 868.25 |
| E. W. Crease & Son | Brooms | 4.50 |
| John Foley | Masonwork | 18.20 |
| Frank W. Fraser | Salt cakes | 6.00 |
| Neil Fox | Saddlery | 16.00 |
| Farquhar Bros. | Supplies | 700.09 |
| Imperial Oil Co. | Gasoline | 4.20 |
| Kline & Mullins | Caps | 28.50 |
| O. C. Marriott | Horseshoeing | 2.25 |
| James Meyers | Repairs | 1.00 |
| H. McFatridge V. S. | Services | 4.00 |
| A. J. McNutt | Painting | 160.00 |
| Wm. Roche | Coal | 250.00 |
| John Starr Son & Co. | Painting | 34.00 |
| Sheehan Motor Co. | Batteries | .60 |
| Jas. Simmonds | Hardware | 21.04 |
| S. C. Thompson | Fodder | 346.69 |
| Ungar's Laundry | Laundry | 7.09 |
| Halifax Tram Co. | Light | 35.73 |
| | | <u>\$3355.59</u> |

City Home.

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| Gunn & Co. | Flour | 186.60 |
| Webtzell's Ltd. | Groceries | 352.33 |
| J. A. Leaman Co. | Meat | 397.24 |
| A. Wilson & Sons | Fresh Fish | 34.05 |
| Smith & proctor | Butter | 150.22 |
| Scotia Pure Milk Co. | Milk | 98.18 |
| The Fleischmann Co. | Yeast | 3.90 |
| S. C. Thompson | Forage | 30.64 |
| W Y. Kennedy | Dry Goods | 88.79 |
| Buckley Coal Co . | Coal | 197.76 |
| A. Fordham | Leather | 6.96 |
| Halifax Tram Co. | Light | 25.43 |
| T. C. Allen | Stationery | 5.90 |
| Jas. Simmonds | Hardware | 3.10 |
| V. G. Hospital | Medicine | 133.12 |
| C. E. Puttner | Dispensing | 50.00 |
| H. McFatridge | Horseshoeing | 2.75 |
| H. H. Banks | Potatoes | 43.60 |
| Nickerson & C o. | Potatoes | 26.75 |
| Baldwin & Co. | Crockeryware | 3.00 |
| John McD Taylor | Fl7paper | 1.00 |
| Longard Bros. | Repairs | 3.20 |

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W. B. Fidler
Truro, N. S.
B.J. Mulcahy
Salaries

Specification 8.00
Expense & removal 4.85
Cash expended 217.51
Pay sheet Sept. 704.91

Chargeable to 1915-16 a/c
V.G. Hospital

\$2779.79

11.20
\$2790.99

The Board adjourned

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. Fred Moraghan

CITY CLERK

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Mayor's Office, City Hall,

October 5th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this evening at 7.30 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY.

His Worship the Mayor reported that C. W. Outhit adheres to his offer of \$28,000.00 for the purchase of the whole Acadian School property, and that John F. Ross offers to lease the building on Argyle Street for three years at an annual rental of \$700.00, with the option of purchasing the property within that period at \$8,000.00.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the property be offered to C. W. Outhit for \$28,000.00, he to pay the City a rental at the rate of \$1700.00 per year from April 1st, 1916, to date of transfer of property to him.

The Board adjourned.

Council
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P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 10th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, and Controllers Halliday, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Kempt Road Subway Sewer, I. C. R.
Prince Street Street Line - Moir's Ltd.
Nova Scotia Highlanders.
School Board Fire Alarm System.
War - Lights Out - Submarines.
Market Building - Use of for Training Cadets.
Hydro-electric Power - Halifax Power Co. Contract.
Acadian School.
Dresden Row.
Longard Road - Heber Hartlen Property.

KEMPT ROAD SUBWAY SEWER, I. C. R.

Read letter Resident Engineer, Truro, re Kempt Road subway sewer at the Willow Park branch of the I. C. R., asking for a report on a previous letter. (See Board of Control minutes August 5th, 1916, pp. 256 - 257, and September 12th, 1916, p. 342).

Referred to the City Engineer for reply.

PRINCE STREET STREET LINE - MOIR'S LIMITED.

Read letter Moir's Limited, asking that they be paid \$820.00 for 205 square feet of property on Prince Street taken from them to make the street conform to the lines of the Official City Plan.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

NOVA SCOTIA HIGHLANDERS.

Read correspondence between the City and the Military Authorities re the embarkation at Halifax of Brigades of the Nova Scotia Highlanders. Filed.

SCHOOL BOARD FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read letter School Board re installation of a fire alarm system in public schools. as follows:-

October 10th, 1916.

Halifax, October 6th, 1916.

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

In response to the Board's resolution re installing of Fire Alarm System in the various schools of the City, the Committee on S. S. & B. requested the City Electrician to prepare plans and specification. They asked for tenders, and have awarded the contract to Messrs. Farquhar Bros. for the sum of Five Thousand Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$5,350.00).

They now request the approval of the Board of Control to the awarding of this tender, and that they will finance the matter for them.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

On motion of Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Halliday, the School Board is requested to submit to this Board for its consideration all particulars respecting the above matter, and also the tenders received and the specifications and report of the City Electrician.

School Board

The Secretary is directed to also inform the School Board that the members of this Board were under the impression that the contract for installation of the fire alarm system had not been awarded by the School Board, but merely recommended subject to approval by the Board of Control and City Council.

WAR-- LIGHTS OUT-- SUBMARINES.

Read letters Major General Benson, G. O. C. No. 6
Division, as follows:-

Headquarters -
Halifax, N. S.,
9th October, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
Nova Scotia.

Sir:-

You are doubtless aware that enemy submarines have been operating on this Coast.

It is considered by Naval and Military Authorities that as an essential precaution, all lights should be either extinguished or so covered so as not to be visible from sea and in the Harbor and Basin. Will you be kind enough to publish a request to the citizens of Halifax, Dartmouth and outlying Districts to co-operate with and do all in their power to meet this request until further notice.

F. Benson, Major General,
Commanding Mil. District No. 6.

October 10th, 1916.

Headquarters -
Halifax, N. S.,
9th October, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
Nova Scotia.

Sir:-

With reference to my letter of this date re lights, would you please take steps to have the City and other lights extinguished tonight if possible.

E. Benson, Major General,
Commanding Mil. District No. 6.

The Deputy Mayor explained that General Benson had sent for him and pointed out the necessity of turning off the street lights and darkening the windows throughout the City; that he had pointed out to General Benson the possible risk involved in turning off the lights, but that the General thought the precaution should be taken notwithstanding the risk. He immediately consulted the City Solicitor, who advised that the request of the Naval and Military Authorities be complied with. The Deputy Mayor stated that he therefore showed to Mr. Freeman, Superintendent of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, General Benson's letters, and that then the street lights were turned off as soon as possible.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Halliday, that the Deputy Mayor and the City Solicitor be authorized to take any steps necessary in the best interests of the City to comply with the request of the General Officer Commanding this Military District, and to publish in the newspapers such notification to the public as will meet the situation. Motion passed.

The City Solicitor drafts the following advertisement for the newspapers:-

(City Arms).

Notice to the Citizens.

In consequence of the request of the Naval and Military Authorities, the lighting of the streets has

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been temporarily discontinued, and citizens having private lights on the streets are requested also to discontinue same and also to shield any other lights from outside observation as far as possible.

The Works Department is instructed to darken the transoms over the windows in such parts of the City Hall as are lighted at night.

MARKET BUILDING - USE OF FOR TRAINING CADETS.

Rea d letter Principal E. J. Ross, Joseph Howe School, re training of public school cadets in the City Market Building, as follows:-

Halifax, N.S., Oct. 7th, 1916.

H.S. Colwell, Esq.,
Deputy Mayor.

Dear Sir:-

About a week ago I interviewed Mayor Martin about the use of New Market Building for Cadet Training on Thursday afternoons from two o'clock to four. The Mayor assured me that he was agreeable and would place it before the authorities., He is now absent from the City and owing to the fact that we are ready to begin on the 12th inst., I am placing it before you.

Before the war started we had the use of the Armouries for our Cadet Training.

Hoping to hear from you soon,

E. J. Ross.

On motion of Controller Halliday, it is decided to grant the permission asked for until such time as permission is cancelled.

On motion of Controller Murphy the City Engineer is requested to submit a report on places in the Market for permanent stalls, etc.

HYDRO ELECTRIC POWER - HALIFAX POWER CO. CONTRACT.

The Board at a meeting on October 5th, having decided to report to Council the letter of the Halifax Power Company withdrawing from their contract to light the City, with the recommendation that the Company be permitted to withdraw from their contract, and said report having been withheld from the City Council for

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further consideration, the City Solicitor is requested to submit a report in writing as to the City's standing under said contract.

Solicitor

ACADIAN SCHOOL.

Read extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council October 5th, 1916, re Acadian School property, as follows:-

Read report Board of Control re Acadian School property.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller McKeen that the report be adopted.

Moved in amendment by Alderman R. B. Colwell, seconded by Alderman Kelly, that the report be referred back to the Board of Control with the recommendation that the Board offer the property to Mr. Outhit on the following terms - price for the whole property \$30,000.00 plus rental from April 1st, 1916, at the rate of \$2000.00 per year for the portion of the property now occupied by him, and a further offer that the Barrington Street property be offered to him at a yearly rental of \$2000.00 per annum from April 1st, 1916, all for immediate acceptance, and that Mr. Outhit be informed that unless either of said offers are immediately accepted by him, that he will be notified to vacate the premises within three months.

Amendment put and passed, 9 voting for the same, and 6 against it, as follows:-

For the amendment - Controller Murphy, and Aldermen H.S. Colwell, Finlay, R.B. Colwell, Kelly, Macnab, Foley, Hines and Godwin - 9.

Against it - Controllers Halliday, Harris and McKeen and Aldermen Brennan, Isnor and Parker - 6.

A true extract,
L. Fred. Monaghan,
City Clerk.

It is unanimously decided to concur in the recommendation of the City Council, and the Secretary is instructed to notify Mr. Outhit accordingly.

DRESDEN ROW.

Read letter Alderman Finlay requesting improvements to Dresden Row between Spring Garden Road and Morris St.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

LONGARD ROAD - HEBER HARTLEN'S PROPERTY.

Read award of arbitrators in the matter of widening

Chas W Outhit

Engineer

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Longard Road at property of Heber Hartlen, as follows:-

Halifax, 2nd October, 1916.

We the Arbitrators have agreed on an award of five cents per square foot to be paid Mr. Hartlen, for all of his land acquired by the City to straighten the street line on Longard Road, said price of five cents to cover all damages.

The City undertakes to remove and replace Mr. Hartlen's fence in as good a condition as it exists at present, and the representatives of the City and Mr. Hartlen have agreed that the work be done to the satisfaction of Mr. J. C. Harris. It is also agreed that if it is necessary to move the small office building to the new line, that the City shall do the work or pay for having same done.

The matter of the cooler was not considered by the Arbitrators.

Witness to all
signatures -

Richd. Collis.

Melvin S. Clarke.

For the City.

R. O'N. Duggan.

For H. Hartlen.

J. C. Harris

Referee.

Referred to the City Engineer for report with estimated cost to the City under the award of the arbitrators for the land for moving the fences and for moving the office building.

The Secretary is instructed to request M. S. Clarke, the City's arbitrator, and the City Solicitor, to appear before the Board at its next meeting.

The City Solicitor is requested to submit in writing a report as to whether the award of the arbitrators is a comprehensive report on the matters submitted to them.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. Colwell

H. S. Colwell.

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 12th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, Chairman, and Controllers Halliday, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Police Uniform Trousers.
Quinpool Road - Chebucto Road Water Extension.
Acadian School Property.
War - Enemy Submarine Activity.
Public Landing North West Arm.
Street Railway Hollis and Granville Streetd - Change of Route and Rails.
Drainage Western Slope of City.
Longard Road Widening - Heber Hartlen Property.
Policemen.
Accounts.

POLICE UNIFORM T ROUSERS.

In response to advertisement in the newspapers for police uniform trousers, one tender only was received, that of Maxwell's Ltd., at the following prices, as per samples - \$9.50, 8.50, 9.50, 9.25, 8.00, 8.75,

The tender is referred to Controllers Halliday and Harris for recommendation.

QUINPOOL ROAD - CHEBUCTO ROAD WATER EXTENSION.

Read extract minutes City Council meeting October 5th, 1916, referring back to this Board for further consideration its report on application for water extension Chebucto Road and Quinpool Road to a waiting room near the Arm Bridge.

Controller McKeen suggested that the Controllers should view the property before further considering the matter. Agreed to, and the matter is deferred accordingly.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY.

The City Clerk reported that he had submitted in writing the City's propositions to Charles W. Outhit in

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Engineers ✓

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connection with purchase or rental by him of the
Acadian School property, and that Mr. Outhit had not
yet forwarded him an answer.

WAR - ENEMY SUBMARINE ACTIVITY.

The Deputy Mayor informed the Board that the
Military Authorities had requested him to call upon
the citizens to take further precautions for the
protection of the City against possible enemy sub-
marine activity, in consequence of which he had caused
the following notices to be published in the daily
papers:-

Notice to Residents of Halifax,
Dartmouth, Bedford and Villages in
Vicinity of Halifax.

Owing to the activity of enemy submarines near
the Coast of Nova Scotia, special precautions must
be taken and all persons are warned that they should
not move about Halifax Harbor and Bedford Basin in
small sailing or motor craft by night, as they are
liable to be fired upon without warning by the
Batteries.

All persons must shield lights visible from the
Sea in such a way as to prevent any light being visible
from the Sea, Halifax Harbor and Bedford Basin.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,
Halifax, N.S., Oct. 11th, 1916

The above notification having been received by
me today from Military Headquarters, is published at
their request and all persons are hereby cautioned to
govern themselves accordingly.

H. S. Colwell,
Acting Mayor.

The Board approves of the action of the Deputy
Mayor.

PUBLIC LANDING NORTH WEST ARM.

Read letter Captain John Hicks, as follows:-

"The Oaks", Halifax, N. S.,
October 11th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I should like to lease for a term of years,

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about 25 feet of the beach forming part of the public landing lying immediately west of the Maplewood property, for the purpose of putting up a boat house, etc. If you can grant this I should esteem it a great favor to have your early reply in order to make my arrangements before the winter sets in.

John Hicks.

The letter is ordered to be acknowledged, and Captain Hicks informed that his request will be considered in connection with the proposed opening up of a new street, the survey for which is now in progress.

STREET RAILWAY HOLLIS AND GRANVILLE STREETS -

CHANGE OF ROUTE AND RAILS.

Agreeably to notice of a public hearing published in the newspapers and a request forwarded to the Tramway Company that they send a representative to this meeting, H. R. Mallison, representing the Tramway Company, and a number of citizens appeared before and addressed the Board, including A. B. Wiswell, E. A. Wood, Robert Rosborough, E. J. Murphy, C. R. Hoben, R. E. Cannon, Alderman Godwin, C. S. Barnstead and R. P. Bell.

Mr. Rosborough favored the proposed extension north on Hollis Street.

Alderman Godwin suggested that the three minutes proposed to be saved by eliminating the single curves down town could be saved by installing double track curves at Almon and Windsor Streets, Almon and Agricola Streets, and better facilities for crossing at Gottingen and Cunard Streets.

Mr. Mallison explained the difficulties of operating as the routes are now laid out, and renewed his application for the granting of the Company's request as originally submitted.

The other speakers strongly opposed abandoning the double track on Granville Street.

The Board promised to give the views expressed

*Capt John Hicks
Engineer*

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due consideration.

DRAINAGE WESTERN SLOPE OF THE CITY.

Ralph P. Bell, E. A. Wood, R. D. Taylor and W. A. Hart appeared before the Board urging the immediate construction of sewers to drain their properties. They requested that the City not delay the matter awaiting the expropriation of right-of-way for the main trunk sewer, and that if it is proposed to let the work out by contract, that the contracts be awarded at once.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Halliday that the City Engineer report at once the steps necessary to afford the property owners temporary relief, and prepare plans and specifications from which the City may call for tenders for the construction of sewers on Jubilee Road from the Arm to Oxford Street, on Bloomingdale Terrace from Jubilee Road to Quinpool Road, and on Quinpool Road from Bloomingdale Terrace to Oxford Street. Motion passed.

LONGARD ROAD WIDENING - HEBER HARTLEN PROPERTY.

Agreeably to request, M. S. Clarke, the City's arbitrator, and the City Solicitor appeared before the Board in connection with the award of arbitrators in the matter of widening Longard Road at Heber Hartlen's property.

In connection with the statement in the award that "The matter of the cooler was not considered by the arbitrators", the City Solicitor informed the Board that when the City obtains from Mr. Hartlen a deed of the property acquired by the City under these proceedings, the City will own the cooler as well as the land, and Mr. Hartlen will have to protect himself by obtaining from the City an encroachment lease.

On motion of Controller Murphy the City Solicitor

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is requested to have all the necessary documents prepared forthwith in order that the Board may be prepared to report to the City Council at its next meeting that this matter has been finally disposed of and closed up.

The Secretary is instructed to lay upon the table at the next meeting, with the original agreement between the City and Mr. Hartlen and the award of the arbitrators, the letter of McInnes, Mellish, Fulton & Kenny, submitted June 22nd, 1916, modifying the terms of the agreement.

POLICEMEN.

In the absence of Controller Harris, the Chief of Police, through the Deputy Mayor, submits resignations, to take effect 15th inst., of Policemen Harry Hart and Joseph McDonald, and recommends that they be accepted.

Asked the reasons for the resignations, the Chief reported that they were purely voluntary, and that one of the men stated the pay was too small.

The resignations are accepted, and the Chief authorized to advertise for applicants to fill the vacancies.

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts chargeable to the City Health Board, amounting to \$843.25, are submitted and passed for payment as follows:-

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|---------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|
| Victoria General Hospital | Examination milk and water | 625.00 |
| Wm. Roche | Coal | 63.00 |
| Halifax Wet Wash | Washing | 4.80 |
| Michael Day | Clearing pipe | 74.05 |
| Telephone Co. | Phones | 54.23 |
| Chroinole Publ Co. | Advertising | 22.17 |
| | | <u>\$843.25</u> |

The Board adjourned.

H. S. O'Neill

DEPUTY MAYOR?

L. J. O'Meara

CITY CLERK?

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by clerk
B/C!*

*Recorder
mail
Exbo.*

Council.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 17th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Dilapidated Buildings.
War - Enemy Submarine Activity - Lights Out.
Theatre Licenses.
Longard Road Widening - Heber Hartlen Property.
Flash Lights for Policemen.
Pleasant Street - Water Service Pipes.
Acadian School.
Agricola and North Streets Encroachment by Bank of Nova Scotia.
Quinpool Road - Shop in Residential District.
Coburg Road.
Jubilee Road.
Abattoir.
Automobile Garages.
Coal Weighers.
Prohibition.
Interest on Cost of Water Extensions.
Police Trousers.
Binney and Henry Streets.
Coburg Road Roadbed.
Lights on Vehicles.
Ocean Terminals Railway.
Willow Park Railway Sewer.
Railway Subway at Fairview.
War - Quartering of Troops at Halifax.
Brunswick Street Extension.
Trees - North Park Street.
Sidewalks, Sewers and Water Extensions.
Street Numbers and Names of Streets.
Chebucto Road and Duncan Street Fences - Wm. McFatridge.

DILAPIDATED BUILDINGS.

The report of the Acting City Engineer re dilapidated buildings, dated September 26th, 1916, submitted at meeting of the Board September 28th, 1916, is taken up.

In respect to the property #163 Campbell Road, owner A. S. Burgess, agent, McInnes, Mellish, Fulton & Kenny, a representative of the agents appeared before the Board, stating that negotiations are pending for the sale of the property. They asked that the matter

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be deferred for one month. Agreed to.

Engineer
In respect to the property Gottingen Street, corner of Columbus, owner J. H. Emmett, the Acting City Engineer informed the Board that Mr. Emmett is taking steps to remedy the condition.

Further consideration of the matter is deferred.

WAR - ENEMY SUBMARINE ACTIVITY - LIGHTS OUT.

The City Clerk lays upon the table communications from the Military authorities re lights out, (see Board minutes October 12th, 1916, p. 419) and stated that the same had been advertised in the daily newspapers. The Communications were as follows:-

Headquarters -
Halifax, N. S.,
12th October, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
Nova Scotia.

Sir:-

In connection with our previous correspondence and conversation re the matter of putting out lights, I have the honor, by direction, to forward for your information copy of an extract from an Order in Council published at Ottawa d/- 12th September, 1914.

It is recommended that this be published for the information of all concerned, and attached herewith is a draft notice which might be published.

A. N. Jones, Major,
General Staff Officer,
Mil. Dist. No. 6.

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(City Arms)

Notice.

Lights Must be Kept Obscured.

The following extract from an Order in Council is published for general information in connection with previous notices -

CANADA GAZETTE, 19th December, 1914.
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ORDER IN COUNCIL PROHIBITING DISCLOSURE OF MOVEMENT OR MILITARY OPERATIONS.

P. C. 2358.

AT THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE AT OTTAWA,
Saturday, the 12th day of
September, 1914.

October 17th, 1916.

PRESENT:

HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS THE GOVERNOR
GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

His Royal Highness the Governor General in Council under and in virtue of the Provisions of Section 6 of the War Measures Act, 1914, is pleased to make and doth hereby make the following orders and regulations for the prevention of the giving out of information calculated to be or that might be directly or indirectly useful to the enemy and for the prevention of espionage and generally for the security of the forces of His Majesty in Canada and the welfare of the people of Canada.

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10. The Competent naval or military authority at any defended harbour may by order direct that all lights, other than lights not visible from the outside of any house, shall be kept extinguished between such hours and within such area as may be specified in the order; and all persons resident within that area shall comply with the order.

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15. Any person contravening any of the provisions of the foregoing orders and regulations shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding Five Thousand Dollars or imprisonment for any term not exceeding five years or to both fine and imprisonment and such penalty may be recovered or enforced by summary proceedings and conviction under the provisions of Part 15 of the Criminal Code.

(Sgd.) RODOLPHE BOUDREAU
Clerk of the Privy Council.

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Mayor's Office, City Hall,
Halifax, Oct. 12th. 1916

In order to avoid drastic measures being taken, all persons are urged to conform to the purpose of the above notice.

H. S. Colwell,
Acting Mayor.

Controller Harris and Aldermen Foley and Brennan called attention to the dangerous condition of the City since the lights have been discontinued.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the General had this morning requested him to have a conference, and that the General, representatives of the Tramway Co. and himself would meet at the Military Headquarters Office at noon today. His Worship thought that likely an arrangement would be arrived at by which some lights might be turned on.

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THEATRE LICENSES.

At suggestion of His Worship the Mayor, the matter of a license for the Strand Theatre, Sackville Street, is referred to Controller Harris for report. His Worship hands over to Controller Harris a number of documents pertaining to the present management of the Strand Theatre.

Cont - Harris ✓

LONGARD ROAD WIDENING - HEBER HARTLEN PROPERTY.

Agreeably to resolution of the Board October 12th, 1916, the City Clerk lays upon the table the letter of McInnes, Mellish, Fulton & Kenny dated June 17th, 1916, modifying the agreement between the City and Heber Hartlen dated 16th December, 1915.

FLASH LIGHTS FOR POLICEMEN.

Deputy Mayor Colwell suggested that the Police Department be provided with flash lights.

Cont - Harris ✓

Controller Harris stated that he has the matter under consideration.

PLEASANT STREET - WATER SERVICE PIPES.

Read letter LeB. J. Fader and W. F. Blank re water service pipes, 122 and 124 Pleasant Street.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ACADIAN SCHOOL.

His Worship the Mayor asked if it is the intention of the Board to take any further action in regard to the Acadian School building property.

B/c ✓

It is decided to take no further action at this meeting, awaiting a reply from Mr. Outhit to the City Clerk's letter to him dated October 11th, 1916.

AGRICOLA AND NORTH STREETS - ENCROACHMENT BY BANK OF NOVA SCOTIA.

Read report Acting City Engineer re encroachment by the Bank of Nova Scotia at the north-west corner of

October 17th, 1916.

Agricola and North Streets, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 17th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith a proposed lease to the Bank of Nova Scotia of a step in front of their building at the north-west corner of Agricola and North Streets which encroaches over the west line of Agricola Street.

This step is rendered necessary by the lowering of the grade of Agricola Street, and laying a permanent sidewalk. The form of lease provides that the encroachment shall be removed at any time upon notice being given.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

QUINPOOL ROAD - SHOP IN RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 17th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith an application from R. H. Lamb for permission to erect a shop on the north side of Quinpool Road between Harvard Street and Monastery Lane.

The building is proposed to be used as both a shop and dwelling. It will be 25 feet front, 40 feet deep and two stories high, and the estimated cost is \$2500.00.

This is situated in the residential district.

H. W. Johnston.
Acting City Engineer.

The City Engineer is authorized to grant a permit.

COBURG ROAD.

Read complaint J. B. Kenny as to the condition of Coburg Road from Oxford Street west, and asking for improvement.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

JUBILEE ROAD.

Read complaint Temple L. E. Piers as to a dangerous ditch on Jubilee Road, west of Oxford Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

Engineer ✓
By Council ✓

By Council ✓

Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

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ABATTOIR.

Read application George Bennett, Dragon, Quebec,
for position as Engineer at proposed abattoir.

Referred to the City Engineer.

AUTOMOBILE GARAGES.

Read letter Ralph P. Bell, Secretary Halifax Auto-
mobile Association, as follows:-

Halifax, October 13th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor
and Board of Control.
Dear Sirs:-

We would like to arrange a meeting with you to
discuss the Ordinance in connection with the con-
struction of private garages.

At the present time the wording of the Ordinance
is such that it compels a car owner to either con-
struct an exceedingly expensive building, or a very
unsightly one, and we do not feel that there is any
real need for it.

Probably more can be accomplished, and in a very
much easier way if you would appoint one of your
Board, who with the Engineer would form a Committee
to discuss the matter with us than to have us come
up, as so many of the delegations do, and take up
the time of the Board at its executive sessions.

Ralph P. Bell.

Controller Harris and the City Engineer are
appointed as the Committee suggested in the foregoing
letter.

COAL WEIGHERS.

Read report Coal Weighers, showing each weigher
to have received \$63.87 for the month of September.
Filed.

PROHIBITION.

Read letter Halifax Typographical Union re en-
forcement of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, as
follows:-

Halifax, October 11th, 1916.

To His Worship the Mayor,
Board of Control and City Council.
Sirs:-

I am directed to advise you that the following
resolutions were adopted unanimously at the regular

Engineer

R P Bell
Cont. Harris
Engineer

Council

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meeting of Halifax Typographical Union, No. 130:

WHEREAS Prohibition of the liquor traffic is of inestimable benefit to the working class and to society;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this Union declare itself in favor of prohibition and hereby endorses the prohibitory law enacted by the Government of Nova Scotia;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the authorities be asked to rigidly enforce the law in the City of Halifax and Province of Nova Scotia.

G. W. Harris,
Secty. Treas. No.130.

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter and to inform the Union that the Prohibition Act has been enforced in Halifax since it came into operation and is being enforced at the present time.

INTEREST ON COST OF WATER EXTENSIONS.

Read extract minutes of meeting of the City Council October 5th, 1916, as follows:-

"Alderman Kelly asked that the Board of Control consider and report on the matter of increasing the amount of interest on cost of outlay to be charged water takers on new extensions."

Referred to Controller McKeen and the City Engineer for report.

POLICE TROUSERS.

Controllers Harris and Halliday verbally reported recommending the acceptance of the tender of Maxwell's Ltd., for supplying 53 pairs of uniform trousers for the Police Department, on sample #10219 at \$8.50 per pair. Approved.

BINNEY AND HENRY STREETS.

Alderman Finlay requested the installation of a catchpit at the corner of Binney and Henry Streets.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

COBURG ROAD ROADBED.

Alderman Finlay complained of the condition of the roadbed, Coburg Road, and asked that if nothing more can be done, that the loose stones be cleared off.

Council ✓

*Cont. McKeen
Engineer ✓*

*Maxwell's, Ltd.
Council ✓*

Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

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Referred to the City Engineer.

LIGHTS ON VEHICLES.

Alderman Brennan suggested that all vehicles travelling the streets at night time should carry lights.

OCEAN TERMINALS RAILWAY.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that during his recent trip away, he had taken occasion, whilst in Moncton, to interview F. P. Gutelius, General Manager of Government Railways, in respect to settlement of outstanding claims between the City and the Railway Department in connection with sundry portions of streets, public grounds, sewers and other properties of the City acquired or effected through the extension of the Intercolonial Railway to the Halifax Ocean Terminals. Mr. Gutelius informed him that the necessary deeds have been prepared and an agreement for settlement practically ready for completion.

Engineer

WILLOW PARK RAILWAY SEWER.

His Worship the Mayor also stated that he had conferred with Mr. Gutelius in respect to the sewer from the Round House at Willow Park to Bedford Basin, and that Mr. Gutelius had promised to have an appropriation included in the Government estimates for the construction of this work.

Engineer

RAILWAY SUBWAY AT FAIRVIEW.

Mr. Gutelius had also promised to attend to improving conditions at the Railway subway, Fairview.

Engineer

WAR - QUARTERING OF TROOPS AT HALIFAX.

His Worship stated that whilst at Ottawa, he had taken up with Sir Sam Hughes, Minister of Militia, the quartering of troops at Halifax. The Minister stated that while there would not likely be as many troops in

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Halifax this winter as last, yet Halifax would get its share.

BRUNSWICK STREET EXTENSION.

His Worship had also taken up with the Minister of Militia the matter of extension of Brunswick Street south from Sackville Street through the military property, Artillery Park, but found that there was not much likelihood of this matter being gone into carefully until the war is over.

TREES, NORTH PARK STREET.

Controller Halliday stated that the trees on North Park Street opposite #23 required pruning.

Controller Murphy stated he had called the attention of the Assistant Superintendent of the Public Gardens to this matter some time ago.

The Secretary is instructed to request Mr. Power, the Assistant Superintendent of the Public Gardens, to see His Worship the Mayor about the matter.

SIDEWALKS, SEWERS AND WATER EXTENSIONS.

Alderman Foley requested that the schedule of sidewalks ordered for construction be completed up to date and furnished to the Aldermen.

The City Engineer is requested to prepare a schedule up to date of all sidewalks, sewers and water extensions ordered, and submit the same to the Board.

STREET NUMBERS AND NAMES OF STREETS.

In reply to question by His Worship the Mayor, the City Engineer stated that several streets were renumbered this year, and that both the old numbers and the new numbers of such streets appeared in this year's directory.

Cards showing the new numbers have been forwarded to each household. Lead figures for all buildings are furnished free upon application at the City Works Office. It is the intention of the Department to procure

R Power ✓

Engineer ✓

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name-plates for streets not now posted, next spring.

CHEBUCTO ROAD AND DUNCAN STREET FENCES - WILLIAM McFATRIDGE.

Alderman Hines called attention to a fence surrounding a property on Chebucto Road, owned by William McFatrige, which projects beyond other properties on Chebucto Road, and in connection with which a gate swinging open across the sidewalk is an annoyance to passers by. The fence dividing the south side of the same property from Duncan Street is not up to the street line, and he suggested that the owner might be willing to exchange a portion of the north side of his property which projects into Chebucto Road for a strip of land at the south side not now occupied.

Engineer

Referred to the City Engineer to interview Mr. McFatrige and report to the Board.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 19th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Billboards.
Lights Out.
Theatre License - Strand Theatre.
Public Abattoir.

BILLBOARDS.

Read application E. L. Ruddy, Co., for permission to erect billboards on the west side of Grafton Street near Buckingham and on Albemarle Street on the east side opposite the market.

The City Engineer is authorized to grant the permits provided there is no objection to the boards.

LIGHTS OUT.

The City Clerk lays upon the table notices re lights out published in the daily papers as follows:-

(City Arms)

N O T I C E

Regarding Lights.

It is published for the information of all concerned that while certain street lights, from which observation are not visible from the water, may be turned on after being shaded - Citizens of Halifax - Dartmouth and surrounding Districts are expected to comply with recent notices regarding the visibility of lights by drawing blinds or so shading their lights that they will not be visible from the waterⁱⁿ particular.

Mayor's Office, City Hall,
October 18th, 1916.

All persons are exhorted to comply with the above caution submitted by the Military Authorities.

P. F. Martin,
Mayor.

Filed.

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THEATRE LICENSE - STRAND THEATRE.

The matter having been referred to him for report Controller Harris verbally reports recommending that the application of the Strand Theatre Co., Ltd., J. M. Franklin, president, for a theatre license for the Strand Theatre, Sackville Street, be refused, they not being the owner of the building.

*J. M. Franklin ✓
Strand Theatre ✓*

Controller Harris' recommendation is unanimously concurred in and the Secretary instructed to notify Mr Franklin accordingly.

PUBLIC ABATTOIR.

The City Engineer and W. E. Barrett, architect, submit to the Board plans for the public abattoir.

The Secretary is instructed to notify the members of the City Council and victuallers interested to attend at the City Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday afternoon next 24th instant at 4 o'clock to examine and discuss the plans and specifications.

B/c

Notices are sent to the members of the City Council and the following named -

J. F. Fraser, Davis & Fraser; Robt. H. Edwards, J. A. Leaman & Co.; H. L. Williston, 130 Barrington St.; Linton & McLeod; W. E. Barrett, Halifax Hotel; Heber Hartlen, 299 Gottingen Street; Joseph Edwards, 80 Gottingen St.; Wm. J. Mont, G. C. Hartlen & Co. Gottingen St.; Jacob Withrow, 134 Argyle St.; Sanford's Market, 6 - 8 Argyle Street.

The Board adjourns.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin.

MAYOR.

L. J. Donovan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 24th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Young Street School Site Lots.
Lawrence Street Sidewalk.
George Street - Cragg Bros.' Encroachment.
Pleasant Street - Ornamental Lights at Academy of Music.
Policemen.
Halifax Ocean Terminals - Lower Water and Fawson Streets
Change of Grade.
Longard Road (Robie Street) - Heber Hartlen's Property.
War p Lights Out.
Birmingham Street - W. J. Hopgood Hat chway.
Ordinance re Hatchways.
Halifax Electric Tramway Co.- Proposed Change of
Route and Rails.
Halifax Electric Tramway Co. Charter.

YOUNG STREET SCHOOL SITE LOTS.

Read offer George Wambolt, #527 Gottingen Street, to pay \$325.00 for Lot #9 (facing Kaye Street) of the Young Street School site.

Referred to the City Engineer *for report*

LAWRENCE STREET SIDEWALK.

Read petition *for* concrete sidewalks Lawrence Street, *both sides* ~~north side~~, between Windsor Street and Chebucto Lane. *QTS*

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

GEORGE STREET - CRAGG BROS.' ENCROACHMENT.

Read report Acting City Engineer re lease to Cragg Bros. of encroachment of the cornice and other projections of their building over the line of George Street, covering letter of E. P. Allison, solicitor for Cragg Bros., and form of lease providing for an annual rental for the encroachment of \$1.00 per year, Mr. Allison's letter and the Acting City Engineer's report being as follows:-

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Halifax, October 18th, 1916.

The Board of Control,
City Hall.
Gentlemen:-

I hereby make application on behalf of Messrs. Cragg Bros. Co., Ltd., for a lease of the encroachment on the south side of George Street, which consist of the cornice on the north side of the Cragg Building projecting over said street.

I herewith enclose a draft of the proposed lease, the form of which has been approved of by the City Solicitor and the City Engineer.

E. P. Allison

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Office of the City Engineer,
October 21st, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying letter from E. P. Allison, solicitor for Cragg Bros., that the encroachment for which he asks a lease, consists of the cornice and other projections on the north side of the Cragg Building at the south-east corner of George and Barrington Streets. These projections encroach over the strip of land which Cragg Bros. propose to deed to the City for the amount awarded them recently by arbitration. There is a mortgage on the property and I understand the mortgagees will not give a release of the land to the City unless a lease of the projection is granted.

I can see no objection to the granting of the lease asked for, as by one of its terms the City may require the removal of the encroachment at any time on giving one month's notice. Section 578 of the City Charter provides that if, in the opinion of the Board, any obstruction or encroachment does not occasion any unreasonable inconvenience to the public, the Board may permit the same to continue on such terms as the Board approves. In this case, the projections do not occasion any unreasonable inconveniences to the public, and I would recommend that a lease be granted to Cragg Bros. on the usual terms of our encroachment lease.

H. W. Johnston.
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

PLEASANT STREET - ORNAMENTAL LIGHTS AT ACADEMY OF
MUSIC.

Read report Acting City Engineer re ornamental street lights at the Academy of Music, Pleasant Street, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 23rd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

*Engineer
Solicitor
Council*

October 24th, 1916.

I beg to submit herewith an application from Farquhar Bros., for permission to replace two lamp standards at present in front of the Academy of Music on the east side of Pleasant Street, with two new ones of the design shown on the attached plan.

The existing lights have been there some time, and I can see no objection to their being replaced with the proposed new ones. I would recommend that the City Engineer be empowered to grant a lease of these encroachments on terms to be approved by the City Solicitor, safe-guarding the interests of the City and providing for the removal of the encroachments whenever the City requires the same.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

POLICEMEN³

Controller Harris recommends the appointment of George Clarence Fox and Theophilus Leroy Beeler as policemen. Approved.

HALIFAX OCEAN TERMINALS - LOWER WATER AND FAWSON
STREETS CHANGE OF GRADE.

Read report Acting City Engineer on above matter as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 19th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith a plan from the Halifax Ocean Terminals Railway showing proposed changes intended to be made in the grade of Water Street from Fawson Street northwardly. It is proposed to cut down Water Street from the south line of the old car barn of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company to the south end of the street, to a maximum depth of about 8 feet at Fawson Street. According to the plan submitted, it is proposed to extend Water Street southwardly to a new street in front of the proposed new railway station, which would give an outlet to Hollis Street near South Street.

There is no doubt that the proposed work would improve the grade of Water Street, but the objection to my mind, is, that it increases the grade of Fawson Street to a 10% grade and means a heavy cut in front of the four eastwardly buildings on the north side of Fawson Street.

I would suggest that before approving of the plan, the Government should give an undertaking to satisfy the owners of these properties for any damage that may be done them. From the point of view of the general public, I consider that the proposed work will be a benefit, but I think the owners of the properties injuriously affected, should be compensated.

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Also I would recommend that a plan be submitted, showing the exact location of the proposed new station with reference to the prolongation of the south line of South Street, as from the plan submitted it appears that the proposed street running east and west in front of the station, would not be in line with the existing lines of South Street. It would be a mistake to have a jog in South Street at Hollis, and I can see no good reason why the station should not be kept far enough south to allow the extension of South Street to the proposed extension of Water Street. The Government will also have to make provision for sewerage and water to the satisfaction of the City Engineer on the proposed alteration of the existing surface of the street on Fawson and Water Streets.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting Engineer.

Referred to the City Engineer and the City Solicitor to confer with the property owners affected, and to take the matter up with the authorities of the Ocean Terminals Railway.

LONGARD ROAD (ROBIE STREET) - HEBER HARTLEN'S
PROPERTY.

Read report Acting City Engineer re award of arbitrators in connection with property acquired from Heber Hartlen for the widening of Longard Road (Robie Street), as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 23rd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I am attaching hereto a deed, prepared by the City Solicitor, covering the land on the west side of Robie Street lying between the existing west line and the new official west line. The area of the land required is 9974 square feet.

The arbitrators have awarded Mr. Hartlen 5¢ a square foot for the land taken. This will amount to \$498.70. The arbitrators' award also provides that the City shall move back the small office building to the new line of the street, and shall replace the fence to the new line in as good condition as it is at present. Should any dispute arise as to this, Mr. J.C.Harris, one of the arbitrators, has been agreed upon as the judge.

The concrete building known as the "Cooler", projects over the official west line of the street and is on part of the land required from Mr. Hartlen. The understanding was that Mr. Hartlen should be given a lease of this for the present, and I am attaching a form of lease covering the same.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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The report and deed and lease are approved, the consideration in the lease to be fixed at \$1.00 per annum, the City Council to be recommended to refer the said lease and deed to the City Solicitor and City Engineer for immediate execution.

WAR - LIGHTS OUT.

Read letter Military Authorities re the lighting of the City, as follows:-

Headquarters -
Halifax, N. S.,
23rd October, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
Nova Scotia.

Sir:-

I have the honor, by direction, to inform you that the street lights of Halifax may now be turned on under the following conditions -

1. Lights which are not visible from the water may be turned on without restriction.
2. Lights which are visible from the water may be turned on provided they are painted with black paint in such a manner as to make them invisible from the water. In this connection it is suggested that the whole of the top and the side of the light visible from the water be apainted. As regards the lights in private dwellings and shops it is not considered advisable at present to alter the existing orders.

It is considered that if the suggestions in paragraphs 1 and 2 be carried out, the inconvenience to which the public have been put to will be obviated.

A. N. Jones, Major.
General Staff Officer,
Mil. Dist. No. 6.

Filed.

BIRMINGHAM STREET - W. J. HOPGOOD HATCHWAY.

Read report Acting City Engineer re application of W. J. Hopgood for a hatchway on Birmingham Street, as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 23rd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith an application from W.J. Hopgood for permission to make an excavation in the sidewalk on the east side of Birmingham Street near the corner of Spring Garden Road, the size to be 3

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feet square, covered with an iron covering. I would recommend that the permit be given on an annual rental of 36¢ being at the rate of 4¢ per square foot.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

ORDINANCE RE HATCHWAYS.

The Board decides to at some future date consider the advisability of amending the rental charge for excavations in sidewalks, under section 6 of Ordinance No. 4, re "Streets", which reads as follows:-

"The owner of the property in front of which any permanent excavation is made, shall pay to the City therefor on the 1st day of May in each and every year an annual rental of 4¢ per square foot of such excavation."

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY COMPANY - PROPOSED CHANGE OF ROUTE AND RAILS.

The Board again considers the matter of proposed change of route and rails of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company, on Granville Street, Hollis Street, etc.

Moved by Controller Murphy that in the opinion of this Board, the changes proposed by the Halifax Electric Tramway Company are not justified by the benefits said to be derivable, and that the Tramway Company be asked to investigate suggestions made for improvements at other points on the Belt Line. The motion is seconded by Controller McKeen and passed unanimously.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY COMPANY CHARTER.

Controller Murphy suggested that the Board take up the matter of the undertakings between the Tramway Co. and the City in respect to its exclusive right over the streets before its 21-year charter expires.

Controller McKeen states he is under the impression that the charter expired in April last.

The matter is referred to the City Solicitor for report.

The Board adjourned.

H. W. Johnston
MAYOR.
L. J. McKeen
CITY CLERK

Engineer

B/c

Engineer
W. J. Sullivan
only Iron Co

City Solicitor

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this morning at 10 o'clock;
present Controllers Halliday, Harris and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Chairman.
Tuberculosis Hospital.
Chairman.
Tyberculosis Hospital.
City Home Supplies.
South Street Water Supply.
Special Policeman King Edward Theatre.
Theatre Aisles Blocked by Patrons.
Street Shade Trees.
Young Street School Site Building Lots.
Public Market,
Street Railway Fares.
Strand Theatre License.
Gottingen Street - Casino Theatre.
Williams Street.
Granville Street Sidewalk.

CHAIRMAN.

The City Clerk stated that His Worship the Mayor
would not be able to be present until 11 o'clock.

On motion of Controller Murphy, Controller Halliday
is appointed to the chair.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

A delegation waited upon the Board in opposition
to the use of the Flynn property, Quinpool Road, near
the North West Arm, as a permanent hospital for tuber-
cular patients. James A. McDonald, K. C., R. M.
Hattie, McC. Grant, S. R. Cossey, A. D. McDonald and
G. M. Howard.

CHAIRMAN.

Whilst the delegation was addressing the Board,
His Worship the Mayor arrived and took the chair, and
Controller McKeen took his seat at the Board.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

The Board is addressed by James A. McDonald, G.M.
Howard and McC. Grant.

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The speakers contended that the location of a permanent Tuberculosis Hospital on the Flynn property would jeopardize the health of the resident property owners in the vicinity and their children, and depreciate the value of surrounding property. The drainage from such an institution would flow into the North West Arm, carrying tuberculosis germs. The district has by law already been set apart as a residential district, and because of this, W. D. Piercey was recently refused permission for conducting a wood working establishment in the vicinity. It was suggested that a more suitable location would be on Geizer's Hill, where the patients would escape the fogs and heavy damp air prevailing near the salt water. Hospitals for infectious and contagious diseases should be grouped together away from residential districts. It is proposed to place the Public Bathing Houses in the immediate vicinity of the Flynn property, and the waters at the bathing place would receive the drainage from the Hospital Building and property.

Being questioned, the Acting City Engineer stated that germs from the Hospital Building and property, if located on the Flynn property, would get into the North West Arm and be there, unless the Board of Health should insist on provision for destroying the germs in the sewage and drainage.

Controller Murphy explained to the delegation that a Hospital Building costing at least \$50,000.00 would have to be erected on whatever site decided upon, and that under the law, the Government would contribute with the City in equal proportion. It is not likely the Government would contribute one-half the cost if the location was not suitable.

The delegation is advised to take the matter up

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with the Provincial and City Health Boards and the Anti Tuberculosis League.

CITY HOME SUPPLIES.

Tenders for various supplies for the City Home, in response to advertisement in the newspapers, are received and opened as follows:-

| <u>Flour.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> | <u>6 months.</u> |
|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| I.B. Shaffner & Co. | 70%, \$10.50 per bbl. | 70%, \$9.80 per bbl. |
| | 80%, 10.30 " | 80%, 9.60 " |
| Gunn & Co. | 70%, 9.35 " | 70%, 9.35 " |
| | 80%, 9.05 " | 80%, 9.05 " |

| <u>Fresh Fish.</u> | <u>1 year</u> | <u>6 months.</u> |
|--------------------|------------------|------------------|
| A. Wilson & Son | Fresh Cod 3 1/2¢ | Fresh Cod 4¢ |
| | " Haddock 3 1/2¢ | " Haddock 4¢ |
| James Watson | | Fresh Cod 4¢ |
| | | " Haddock 4¢ |

| <u>Meats.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> | <u>6 months</u> |
|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| W. A. Maling & Co. | | : prices as per schedule |
| E. & A. Thompson | | : Do |
| J. A. Leaman & Co. | prices as per schedule | : Do |

| <u>Mess Pork.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> | <u>6 months.</u> |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------------|
| J. A. Leaman & Co. | 15¢ per pound | : 14 1/2¢ per pound. |

| <u>Butter.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> | <u>6 months.</u> |
|-----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Smith & Proctor | 35¢ per pound. | : 37¢ per pound. |

| <u>Milk.</u> | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Scotia Pure Milk Co. | \$6.84 per 100 qts. | : 6.94 per 100 qts. |
| H. D. Grant | | : 6 9/10 ¢ per qt. |
| Jas. Watson | 6 3/4¢ per qt. | : |

| <u>Leather.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> | <u>6 months.</u> |
|----------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| Arthur Fordham & Co. | Prices as per schedule | : prices as per schedule. |

| <u>Purchase of Offal.</u> | <u>1 year</u> | <u>6 months.</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| P. M. McGrath | \$60.00 | : |
| Heber Hartlen | 135.00 | : |

| <u>Drygoods.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> | <u>6 months.</u> |
|------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
| W. Y. Kennedy | | : prices as per schedule. |

*Cont - Halifax
Subj. as above
see next page*

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Referred to Controller Halliday and the Superintendent of the City Home for report and recommendation.

Groceries.

No tender having been received for groceries, Controller Halliday and Superintendent Mulcahy are authorized to interview grocers in respect to prices for the City Home's supply and report to the Board, and until the matter is otherwise disposed of to continue purchasing from the present contractor.

*Cont. Halliday ✓
Supt. City Home ✓*

SOUTH STREET WATER SUPPLY.

F. C. Stevens appeared before the Board, asking that a brother of his be permitted, at his own expense, to provide the labor for installing water supply to a house of his now being moved to a site on South Street, his brother to be refunded the cost when the ordinary turn for this water extension would be reached.

*Mayor ✓
Engineer ✓*

His Worship the Mayor informed Mr. Stevens that he would take the matter up with the Engineer, and if it was possible, to comply with the application, it would be done.

SPECIAL POLICEMAN KING EDWARD THEATRE.

On an application from George X. Couture for the appointment of William Zwicker, 108 Maynard Street, as a special policeman at the King Edward Theatre, Controller Harris and the Chief of Police report favorably, and William Zwicker is appointed to serve during the pleasure of the Board.

Chief of Police ✓

THEATRE AISLES BLOCKED BY PATRONS.

His Worship the Mayor called attention to the fact that aisles of theatres are blocked with patrons, and that special police on duty do not prevent it.

*Cont. Harris ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

Referred to Controller Harris and the Chief of Police for immediate attention.

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STREET SHADE TREES.

Read report Assistant Superintendent Public Gardens
re street shade trees, as follows:-

Halifax, October 25th, 1916.

To His Worship Mayor Martin
and Board of Control.
Dear Sirs:-

Reporting on trees fronting property #23 North Park Street, I beg to advise Your Honorable Body that these trees were reported to me by Controller Murphy some time ago and were at the time examined by me, when I found that they were not an obstruction to traffic, and were in a good, healthy condition, being free from dead wood, and I considered it inadvisable to prune them, acting in accordance with section 625, page 85, of the Street Tree Act, which reads as follows:- "If any tree, standing on private property interferes with the public use of streets, the Board may cut or trim the same and may if necessary for the purpose enter on such private property", and section 624, "No person other than the Board shall cut down or trim or remove any such trees on any street without first obtaining permission from the Board under a penalty of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00)." When Controller Halliday reported on these trees last week, I acted on instructions from His Worship the Mayor, and trimmed the upper branches of the tree to comply with the wishes of the resident abutting. This pruning, however, was entirely unnecessary, and would not be recommended by any tree surgeon, because the trees are weakened as a result of the pruning, and is a violation of the Street Tree Act. I might say, however, that there are hundreds of trees in the City in great need of pruning, but as the City has never provided funds for such work, it has not been done, with the result that very many fine specimens have died through this neglect, and in this respect I wish you to make special note of the fact that the cost of removing one dead tree is greater than the cost of pruning and maintaining a dozen or more trees, and by this care the trees are retained and increased in value from year to year, the average low value of which in most cities is never less than \$50.00 each. Halifax has an ideal Street Tree Act which was adopted by the City in 1912, but it is of very little use because no funds have been provided to make it workable. If provision were made for a small yearly grant for the purchasing, planting and caring of street trees, citizens would co-operate and gladly pay their half share of the cost, which would eventually result in a fair revenue to the City. There is nothing I know of which will, for such a small expenditure, add more to the beauty of a City, and to its value as a residential centre, and I sincerely hope that your Honorable Body will give this important matter your serious consideration.

Richard L. Power, Hr.

The report is filed for consideration with the yearly estimates.

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YOUNG STREET SCHOOL SITE BUILDING LOTS.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Young Street School site building lots as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
October 26th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I am attaching a letter from Mr. James R. Harris amending an offer made by him for lots #5 and #6 of the sub-division of the Young Street School site last July. I reported on this on July 26th. His offer at that time was \$600.00, and the Board requested me to write, asking if he would increase this to \$650.00, which he has done.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that the offer of James R. Harris be accepted.

PUBLIC MARKET.

Read letter S. P. Dumaresq, Architect for the Market Building, and report City Treasurer thereon, as follows:-

Halifax, October 25/16.

City Treasurer,
Halifax, N. S.

Dear Sir:-

This is to inform you that all the contractors who had contracts in connection with the new Market Building are entitled to have their cheques returned, with the exception of the M. E. Keefe Construction Co.

Sydney P. Dumaresq.

.....
Halifax, October 26/16.

His Worship Mayor Martin and
Members Board of Control.

Gentlemen:-

I have had requests from the several contractors for the return of their cheques and received the above from the Architect. Your instructions are asked.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

The City Treasurer is instructed to return the cheques mentioned to the parties to whom they belong.

Council

Treasurer

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STREET RAILWAY FARES.

Read letter Alderman Kelly re the obtaining of reduced fares for school children and working men on the street railway. Filed.

STRAND THEATRE LICENSE.

The City Clerk is instructed to notify Frank Reardon, the owner of the Strand Theatre Building, Sackville St., that said Theatre is operating as a public theatre without a license, and that unless a license is taken out on or before Thursday, November 2nd, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m., the Board will consider the question of closing said Theatre.

*Frank Reardon
letter ✓*

GOTTINGEN STREET - CASINO THEATRE.

Read application Hagen & Co., Ltd., for a 3-inch water service pipe for the Casino Theatre, #48 Gottingen Street.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WILLIAMS STREET.

Read petition for improvements to Williams Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

GRANVILLE STREET SIDEWALK.

The City Engineer is requested to report as to the advisability and cost of laying a concrete sidewalk on the west side of Granville Street at the north-west corner of Granville and George Streets.

Engineer ✓

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. B. Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

October 30th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

- City Home Tenders.
- City Home Wood Supply.
- School Buildings Fire Alarm System.
- War - Lights Out.
- Electric Wires.
- City Assessor's Trip Abroad.
- Police Woman.

CITY HOME TENDERS.

Read report Controller Halliday and Superintendent Mulcahy of the City Home, re tenders for supplies for various purposes, as follows:-

City Home, Halifax, N. S.,
October 28th, 1916.

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

We beg to submit the following report re tenders for supplies at City Home as per your resolution of 26th inst.

| <u>Flour.</u> | <u>70%</u> | <u>80%</u> |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Gunn & Co., 6 mos. | \$9.35 | \$9.05 |
| do 1 year | 9.35 | 9.05 |
| I.B. Shaffner & Co., 6 mos. | 9.80 | 9.60 |
| do 1 yr. | 10.50 | 10.30 |

Lowest tender, Gunn & Co., Ltd., increase of \$3.00 per bbl. on 260 bbls. equals \$780.00 increase for 6 mos. on this item.

Dry Goods.

W. Y. Kennedy - only tender, 6 mos.

Leather.

A. Fordham & Co., - only tender.

| | <u>6 mos.</u> | <u>12 mos.</u> |
|------------------------------|---------------|----------------|
| No. 1 sole leather, increase | 12¢ lb. | 18¢ lb. |
| No. 1 upper " " | 8¢ " | 15¢ " |
| No. 2 sole " " | 13¢ " | 18¢ " |
| No. 2 upper " " | 8¢ " | 16¢ " |

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Milk.

| | <u>6 mos.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> |
|----------------------|---------------|----------------|
| Scotia Pure Milk Co. | \$6.94 | \$6.84 |
| James Watson | | 6.75 |
| H.D. Grant | 6.90 | |

Lowest tender James Watson, 1 year; last year's price, \$5.95.

Fresh Fish.

| | <u>6 mos.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| James Watson | 4¢ | |
| A. Wilson & Son | 4¢ | 3½¢ |

Lowest tender A. Wilson & Son, 1 year; increase ½¢ per lb.

Butter.

| | <u>6 mos.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Smith & Proctor | 37¢ | 35¢ |

Only tender, 1 year. Last year price, 28¢.

Mess Pork.

| | <u>6 mos.</u> | <u>1 year.</u> |
|-------------------|---------------|----------------|
| J.A. Leaman & Co. | 14½¢ | 15½¢ |

Only tender; last year's price 11½¢.

Meats, - six months.

J.A. Leaman & Co. : E. & A. Thompson : W.A. Maling Co. :

| | | | | | |
|-------------|-----------|---|-----------|---|-----------|
| Fore beef | \$1725.00 | : | \$1725.00 | : | \$1800.00 |
| Hind " | 780.00 | : | 750.00 | : | 780.00 |
| Hind lamb | 33.00 | : | 37.50 | : | 36.00 |
| Fore lamb | 27.00 | : | 30.00 | : | 30.00 |
| Veal | 28.80 | : | 28.80 | : | 24.00 |
| Fresh pork | 44.00 | : | 40.00 | : | 32.00 |
| Corned beef | 56.00 | : | 56.00 | : | 56.00 |
| | \$2690.80 | | \$2667.30 | | \$2758.00 |

Lowest tender, E. & A. Thompson.

Tenders for offal were received from Heber Hartlen, offering \$135.00 per year, and P. M. McGrath, offering \$60.00 per year.

James Halliday.
B. J. Mulcahy.

The Board decides to recommend to Council for acceptance, tenders as follows:-

Flour - Gunn & Co., for one year.

Dry Goods - W. Y. Kennedy, for 6 months.

Leather - Arthur Fordham & Col, 6 months.

Milk - James Watson, one year.

Fresh fish - A. Wilson & Son, one year.

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Butter - Smith & Proctor, one year.

Mess Pork - J. A. Leaman & Co. - 6 months.

Meats - E. & A. Thompson, 6 months.^{a.n.}

Purchase of offal - Heber Hartlen, 3 years.

Groceries.

Controller Halliday submits a tender from Wentzell's Ltd. for groceries supply for three months.

Asked if he had obtained prices from other grocers, Controller Halliday stated he had only called upon Wentzell's.

The Secretary of the City Home is instructed to interview and endeavor to obtain prices from Dillon Bros., A. L. Doyle & Co., Corkum & Ritchie, and Wm. Moore, for three months and for six months.

Messrs. Wentzell's tender is in the meantime handed over to Mr. O'Brien.

CITY HOME WOOD SUPPLY.

Secretary O'Brien of the City Home, reports much difficulty in obtaining a sufficient supply of soft wood for the kindling wood department.

It is suggested that the price of kindling wood be increased, but the suggestion is not dealt with.

SCHOOL BUILDINGS FIRE ALARM SYSTEM.

Read letter Board of School Commissioners re installation of a fire alarm system in public schools. (See Board of Control minutes October 10th, 1916, p. 412).

Halifax, N. S., October 27th, 1916.

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

In reply to your letter of October 11th, I am directed by the Committee on S. S. & B. to submit for your information the following recommendation from the Committee to the Board:-

"2. In response to the Board's resolution the Committee had the City Electrician prepared plans and specification for installing a Fire Alarm System in the public schools.

Council
all ratified by
letter Nov 1/16.

By Mulcahy
supl. City Home

By Mulcahy
supl. City Home

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They submit tenders and recommend that the contract be awarded to Messrs. Marquhar Bros.

Comms. O'Connor and Colwell moved in amendment that tender be accepted subject to the approval of the Board of Control.

The report as a whole, as amended, was adopted.

I am further directed to furnish you with copies of the specification, the report of Chief of Fire Department, the various tenders, and the letter of Messrs. J. Starr & Co.

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

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Report of Fire Inspection of Schools by the
Chief of the Halifax Fire Department,
and the Caretaker of Public Schools.

Alexandra.

We would urge the necessity of an adequate fire alarm system throughout the school.

Also the erection of a brick tower containing a stair extending from the second floor to the ground, erected at the north east angle of the wing, protected by fire proof doors at each floor.

Would also recommend the lining with tin two wooden partitions adjacent to the furnaces.

Morris St.

1. The installation of an effective fire alarm system throughout the building with connections in every class room and furnace room.

2. Owing to the complicated interior construction of the building, being built at different times and planned by different architects, there is much discrepancy in the levels of the floors (overcome by steps) which in the event of a fire would be a very dangerous and in the case of a stampede some of the smaller children might fall and obstruct the exit, thereby causing confusion and loss of time with perhaps fatal results.

I would recommend that the building be either remodelled or removed and would strongly recommend the latter, in which case an architect would have a free hand to plan a commodious and up-to-date building. In the former suggestion an architect is handicapped by present dimensions and consequently might not get good results.

If remodelling is decided upon, I would recommend the erection of a square brick tower enclosing a stair extending from second floor to the ground with exit on each floor protected by fire proof doors.

3. I would also recommend the immediate sheathing of tin the ceiling of the furnace room.

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Richmond.

Would recommend an efficient Fire Alarm system with connections in every classroom and furnace room.

Would also recommend the covering of the furnace room ceiling with tin directly over the furnaces.

As there are only three exits and three stairs, I would recommend that the boys' basement door remain unlocked during school hours, and fitted with a spring to keep it closed.

Also to instruct the teachers that in the event of a fire taking place to telephone Islesville Station and state the facts. This would bring about the quickest results with a minimum of labor.

St. Mary's Boys'.

After a thorough examination of this building, we are forced to the conclusion that an outside tower be erected at the rear enclosing a stair with suitable exits from each floor and protected by fireproof doors. It would be necessary to cut doors in the various partitions and thus give access to the fire escape. This would apply to the two classes of girls taught in the boys' building, and would be available for the girls' school as these floors are on the one level.

I would also urge the necessity of an effective fire alarm system in both schools with connections in the furnace rooms.

St. Patrick's Boys'.

We would recommend the erection of a brick tower at the rear or western side, enclosing a stair to the ground. The exits are already made, but need fire-proof doors.

I would recommend the introduction of an effective Fire Alarm system as a prerequisite.

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Halifax, September 14th, 1916.

Miss S. J. Wilson,
Secty. Board of School Commrs.,
C i t y.

Dear Madam:-

In compliance with your request of May 30th, and after some conversation with the Chairman of the Commission on School Sites and Buildings, I have gone carefully into the matter of a suitable Fire Signal System for the schools.

In order to determine the requirements for each school I obtained sample gongs from the manufacturers, and with your Mr. Morris visited each building so as to be better able to ascertain the number of gongs required and the best location for them. As will be seen from the specification, one 10" gong was found to be ample for all the schools except Morris St., Chebucto Road and St. Patrick's Girls', where two 10" gongs

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each are called for.

The Chairman asked me to take into consideration the advisability of having physical connection between the schools and Fire Alarm telegraph. My idea of the utility of a system such as proposed is chiefly for the safety of the children, the school property being a secondary consideration. If the children are properly trained to respond to the gongs the firemen would be of little assistance in emptying the schools. On this account and in consideration of the large additional cost for Fire Alarm and line work, I do not think it would be advisable to instal standard Fire Alarm boxes.

In the accompanying specification I have included the best apparatus I can find and if the specification is followed and proper supervision is afterwards maintained the system should be entirely reliable. But it should not be used for any purpose other than as a danger signal and for fire drill. The tone of the gongs is sufficiently distinctive so that confusion should not occur through mistaking it for the ordinary school gong.

The signal boxes selected are of standard Gamewell Fire Alarm Co. make and are designed for factory fire alarm system. I have examined a sample box and believe with some slight change that this type will be well adapted for the purpose here proposed. I have included a signal box for each room as essential if the system is to be complete. It has been suggested that a box should also be installed in each furnace room, but if, as I am informed, the janitor or furnace man is not usually on hand during school hours a box in the basement would be of little service.

I have made no provision in the specification for the Industrial School or Protestant Orphanage for the reason that in the former a watchman is employed and the classrooms are on the ground floor, and the latter there is but one classroom and that is on the ground floor.

P. R. Colpitt.
City Electrician.

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Summary.

Fire Alarm Signal Apparatus for
School Buildings.

| School | 10"
Gong | 8"
Gong | Location of Gong | Signal
Boxes. |
|-------------------|-------------|------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Tower Road | 1 | | Mid-stairway wall | 10 |
| Morris St. | 1 | | Back mid-stairway | |
| " " | 1 | | Front " | 12 |
| St. Mary's Girls' | 1 | | Back mid-stairway | 8 |
| St. Mary's Boys' | 1 | | Stairway, 2nd floor | 8 |
| Academy | 1 | | Main hall, 2nd floor | 11 |
| Acadian | 1 | | Stairway, 1st floor | 4 |
| College | 1 | | East wall stairway | 10 |
| Quinpool | 1 | | Arch under stairway | 7 |

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| School. | 10" Gong | 8" Gong | Location of Gong. | Signal Boxes. |
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| LeMarchant | 1 | | 1st floor stairway | 7 |
| Oxford | 1 | | Center wall front stairs | 9 |
| Chebucto | 1 | | East mid stairway | 14 |
| " | 1 | | West " " | 13 |
| Bloomfield High | 1 | | Mid stairway wall | 8 |
| Bloomfield | 1 | | Back hall wall | 6 |
| St. Joseph's | 1 | | Mid stairway wall | 14 |
| Richmond | 1 | | West side stairway | 10 |
| Alexandra | 1 | | Over arch centre hall | 9 |
| St. Patrick's Girls' | 2 | | Midway each hall | 12 |
| do Hi. | 1 | | Mid stairway | 10 |
| St. Patrick's Boys' | 1 | | Mid wall 2nd floor | 10 |
| Joseph Howe | 1 | | On post, main stairway | 4 |
| Manuel Training | 1 | | Hall, 2nd floor | |
| " " | | 1 | Hall, 1st floor | |
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Secretary Board of School Commrs.

C i t y.,

Dear Madam:-

We offer to supply and instal Fire Alarm Signal Apparatus in school buildings in the City, according to specification for the sum of (\$7,400.00) Seven Thousand Four Hundred Dollars.

J. T. Dorey.

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Halifax, N.S., September 25th, 1916.

The Board of School Commrs.,

C i t y.

Dear Sirs:-

We will supply and instal Fire Alarm Apparatus in the school buildings, according to specification for the sum of Fifty Three Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$5350.00)

Farquhar Bros. Ltd.,
James Farquhar, President.

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Halifax, N.S., October 2nd, 1916.

Miss Wilson, Secretary,
School Board,

C i t y.

Dear Madam:-

Referring to our telephone conversation in regard to tender for the installation of Fire Alarm Signals in the different schools, we advised you some days ago that we did not think that the operation of three signals on normal open circuit, as specified in paragraph 3, page 2 of your specification, would be reliable or proper, as with such a system the apparatus might be

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out of order and useless and this not be known until it was necessary to use it in an emergency. We were advised to wait until Mr. Colpitt's return so this matter could be straightened out. We have since then heard nothing about the matter, but as I understand your Board proposes to deal with this matter this afternoon, we would respectfully ask that you give the foregoing your consideration.

Fire Alarm Systems to be adequate and reliable should be operated on normally closed circuits, so that poor batteries, broken connections, or other faults will sound an alarm, it being much better to stand the annoyance of an occasional false alarm than to have the system out of order when it is needed in case of an actual fire.

We withhold our tender until this point is settled.

John Starr, Son & Co., Ltd.,
J. H. Lochart,
Sales Manager.

Electrician ✓
The City Electrician is instructed to write the Gamewell Fire Alarm Co. asking for a list and reports on installations in public institutions and schools, and for their opinion as to whether the normally open or normally closed circuit system is preferable for public schools.

WAR & LIGHTS OUT.

The City Clerk informed the Board that at 4.10 p. m., October 27th, Major Jones from General Benson's office, telephoned that the scouts of the fortress would go through the City that night, inspecting the lights, both City and private, requesting adherence to notices published. The purpose of the telephone message was explained to be to let the City know that the scouts were to be out on duty by authority. The City Clerk stated that he had immediately informed the Chief of Police and His Worship the Mayor.

His Worship the Mayor submitted the following letter relating to the street lights, and stated that he had immediately forwarded copies of the same for attention by the Secretary and the Manager of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company.

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Headquarters -
Halifax, N. S.,
October 28th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor of Halifax,
Nova Scotia.

Sir:-

With reference to my letter of 23rd October, 1916, I have the honor, by direction, to inform you that it is considered that the street lights which have been painted are not sufficiently darkened. It is suggested that an additional coat of paint be used, and I am to request that you will take such action as may be required as expeditiously as possible.

A. N. Jones, Major.
General Officer Commanding
Mil. Dist. No. 6.

ELECTRIC WIRES.

Controllers McKeen and Murphy are requested to obtain from the Nova Scotia Board of Public Utilities a copy of the report recently filed by W. W. Hoyt on electric wires in the City of Halifax, and report the same to this Board.

*Cont. McKeen
Cont. Murphy*

CITY ASSESSOR'S TRIP ABROAD.

The report by City Assessor McManus on his trip abroad, submitted August 1st, 1916, and again read on August 10th, 1916, is ordered to be filed.

City Assessor

POLICE WOMAN.

Read letter Mrs. Mary Macnab re the appointment of a police woman by the City, as follows:-

Halifax, October 30th, 1916.

To the Mayor and Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

The Parole Officer Committee beg to report that it has kept its agreement with the City Council and Board of Control, viz.- has secured a parole officer and has paid her salary for six months, from May 1st to Oct. 31st. This officer, in the opinion of this Committee has fully demonstrated the need of such an officer and her ability to fill it. A full report of her work was to have been submitted to your Board tomorrow, Tuesday, but owing to change of date of meeting, it is not ready for today.

o/c

Mary Macnab,

Filed.

The Board adjourned.

P. J. McArthur
MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.