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City of Halifax

Board of Control minutes

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of Control was established in the 1913 City Charter, taking over as the executive committee of Council, until it was repealed in May 1919.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

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

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

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

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

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

November 2nd, 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.

City Home Groceries.
Lilac Street, John Morris.
Reservoir Caretaker's House.
Maitland Street - St. Patrick's Boys' School -
Expropriation Hills Estate.
Long Lake Watershed - Expropriation of Property.
Longard Road (Robie Street) - Heber Hartlen Property.
Cedar Street Sewer and Water Extension.
Cambridge Street Water Extension.
Argyle Street Hatchway - Frank Reardon.
Beech Street Water Extension.
Henry Street Sewer and Water Extension.
Liverpool Street Water Extension.
Granville Street Sidewalk.
Chebucto Road Electric Light.
Typewriting Machine Repairs.
Witness Fees - Police Court.
Gottingen Street - water Supply Casino Theatre.
Tower Road and Owen Street Street Line.
North Bland Street.
Salter Street.
Renumbering of Houses.
Police Woman.
Incinerator Lot Improvement.
City Solicitor to Attend Board Meetings.
CITY HOME GROCERIES.

The tender of Wentzell's Ltd. for groceries for the City Home for a period of three months, submitted at meeting held October 30th, is read.

Controller Halliday submits a tender for groceries for three months from Dillon Bros.

Mr. O'Brien, Secretary of the City Home, informed the Board that he had asked for tenders for three or six months' supply of groceries from Corkum & Ritchie, A. L. Doyle & Co., Dillon Bros., William Moore and Allison's Ltd., and that the only tender submitted was that from Dillon Bros.

The tenders of Wentzell's Ltd., and Dillon Bros.

*Cont. Halliday
By Amulohy*

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are referred to Controller Halliday and the Superintendent of the City Home for report.

LILAC STREET - JOHN MORRIS.

Read letter John Morris re property Lilac Street, as follows:-

Halifax, November 1st, 1916.

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

I desire to call your attention to a matter which deeply concerns me.

About 5 years ago I bought a house on Lilac St. There was some vacant land adjoining the house, also fronting on Lilac Street, which then extended to Jennings Street. Some years afterwards, Lilac Street was closed by houses built across said street, thereby cutting off my frontage and rendering my lots un-saleable, being hemmed in on every side.

Now I understand it is the intention to prolong Preston Street and Payzant Avenue until they intersect. This would give me a corner lot for which I now have an offer to buy. The party would build at once if there were street accommodations.

Trusting this may receive early and favorable consideration at your Honorable Board,

John Morris.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

RESERVOIR CARETAKER'S HOUSE.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

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

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

The house occupied by the Caretaker of the Reservoir on Robie Street, needs re-shingling and some other repairs. The estimated cost of this is seventy-five dollars. I would recommend that these repairs be made.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

MAITLAND STREET - ST. PATRICK'S BOYS' SCHOOL -

EXPROPRIATION HILLS ESTATE.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

November 2nd, 1916.

City Engineer's Office,
November 1st, 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 said to belong to the Estate of James Hills on Maitland Street, required as part of the site for the new St. Patrick's Boys' School 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.

Approved.

Read formal resolution referred to in the Engineer's report, as follows:-

WHEREAS The City of Halifax requires the land and premises hereinafter described for a portion of the site for St. Patrick's Boys' School, 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 fifth day of October 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 seventeenth day of October 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 expiration, 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 13th and 14th and 20th and 21st of October 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:-

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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 eleven inches 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 three 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.

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, the sum set opposite to the name of each of such owners respectively, making in all the sum of One Thousand Five hundred Dollars, the said sum being in the judgment of the City Council a reasonable value for the said properties respectively. And that the said 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.

Estate of James Hills \$1500.00.

The resolution is moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Halliday and passed, and recommended to the City Council for approval.

LONGARD ROAD (ROBIE STREET) - HEBER HARTLEN

PROPERTY.

The City Clerk informed the Board that Heber Hartlen had, in his presence, signed the deed of transfer to the City of the strip of land required

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for the widening of Longard Road (Robie Street) at his property, and that Mr. Hartlen had declined to sign the lease of the portion of the lot occupied by the concrete building known as the cooler.

The matter is referred to the city Solicitor to consult with Mr. Hartlen and report to the Board at Tuesday's meeting.

The Secretary is instructed to request Mr. Hartlen to meet the City Solicitor at his office, City Hall, on Monday morning next at 11, o'clock.

LONG LAKE WATERSHED - EXPROPRIATION OF PROPERTY.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
November 1st, 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 near the foot of Long Lake, 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.

Approved.

Read formal resolution referred to in the Engineer's report as follows:-

WHEREAS The City of Halifax requires the land and premises hereinafter described for the purpose of improving the water supply of the city of Halifax, 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 fifth day of October in the year A. D. 1916, and a copy of the same has been filed in the office of the City Engineer as by law -

AND WHEREAS on the seventeenth day of October 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

Solicitor ✓
Allen Hartlen ✓

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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 expiration, 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 13th and 14th, 20th and 21st of October, 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 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 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 sixty one 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

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City Engineer and dated the eighteenth day of September, 1916, and filed in the City Engineer's Office at Halifax, as Plan #2752.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and instructed by an 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, the sum set opposite to the name of each of said owners respectively, making in all, the sum of two thousand four hundred and eighty dollars, the said sum being in the judgment of the City Council a reasonable value for the said properties respectively. And that the said 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.

Schedule.

J. LeMarchant	\$1400.00
F. Jollimore	695.00
J. Nicholson	50.00
Heirs Charles Umlah	<u>335.00</u>
	\$2480.00

The resolution is moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller McKeen and passed, and recommended to the City Council for approval.

Council ✓

SOLICITOR TO ATTEND BOARD MEETINGS.

The Secretary is instructed to write the City Solicitor, notifying him to attend the meetings of the Board.

Solicitor ✓

CEDAR STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending sewer and water extension Cedar Street, eastwardly from Henry Street. Approved.

Council ✓

CAMBRIDGE STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending water extension Cambridge Street north from Jubilee Road. Approved.

Council ✓

ARGYLE STREET HATCHWAY - FRANK REARDON.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office, Oct. 31/16.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

I beg to submit herewith application for a

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hatchway under the sidewalk on the east side of Argyle Street in front of the premises owned by Frank Reardon. The application agreement and rental are in accordance with the ordinance, and I would recommend that a permit be given.

H. W. Johnston
Acting City Engineer.

Approved.

BEECH STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending water extension Beech Street from Jubilee Road northwardly.

Approved.

HENRY STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending sewer and water extension Henry Street from Binney Street northwardly. Approved.

LIVERPOOL STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending water extension Liverpool Street. Approved.

GRANVILLE STREET SIDEWALK.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending the construction of a concrete sidewalk on Granville Street, corner of George. Approved.

CHEBUCTO ROAD ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Read petition for an electric light Chebucto Road near Phillips Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

TYPEWRITING MACHINE REPAIRS.

Read offer United Typewriter Co. to keep typewriting machines repaired and supplied with ribbons at \$10.00 per year per machine.

Referred to Controller McKeen for report.

WITNESS FEES, POLICE COURT.

The City Clerk submits accounts for witness fees in prosecutions in the Police Court, amounting to \$21.00, taxed and allowed by the Stipendiary Magistrate in cases in which no costs were collected by

Council ✓

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Engineer ✓

Cont. McKeen ✓

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the City out of which to pay the same, and asked for instructions from the Board.

Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

GOTTINGEN STREET - WATER SUPPLY CASINO THEATRE.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water supply Casino Theatre, Gottingen Street. Approved.

TOWER ROAD AND OWEN STREET STREET LINE.

Josiah S. Kirkwood appeared before the Board, stating that he has been waiting two or three years to have the street line at his property, corner of Tower Road and Owen Street, laid down by the City Engineer's Department. He admitted that a hedge planted there encroaches on the street line, but that he had been unable to get a correct line laid down by the City.

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

NORTH BLAND STREET.

Read complaint H. P. Burton re condition of North Bland Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

SALTER STREET.

Alderman Finlay complained that the road bed on Salter Street, recently macadamized at considerable expense, is in a fair way to be ruined through cuttings made in it for gas connections. He thought these connections should have been placed before the road was repaired, and suggested that the Works Department insist that the Tramway Company restore the road to as good a condition as it was in before the work was started.

His Worship the Mayor promised to take the matter up with the City Engineer.

Solicitor

Council

Engineer

Engineer

*Mayor
Engineer*

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RE-NUMBERING OF HOUSES.

Alderman Kelly stated that Carleton Street, Robie Street, Quinpool Road and other streets have recently been re-numbered, ^{but} that the new numbers have not been placed upon all the buildings, leading to worse confusion than existed before the re-numbering was made.

Engineer

Referred to the City Engineer for suggestions as to an efficient remedy.

INCINERATOR LOT IMPROVEMENT.

Alderman Kelly informed the Board that the Directors of Point Pleasant Park would supply the City with fifty ornamental shade trees to be placed on the Incinerator lot, Young Street and Kempt Road, if the City will plant them.

Engineer

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

POLICE WOMAN.

Mrs. Mary Macnab and J. T. Wilson appeared before the Board in connection with the appointment of a police woman,

Mrs. Macnab laid upon the table a report from Parole Officer Mrs. Ella M. Paint of her activities during the past six months.

Cont. Harris

The delegation asked for the appointment of Mrs. Paint as a police woman, that the salary for the office for next year be placed in the civic estimates, and that she be furnished with a police badge.

The request of the delegation and Mrs. Paint's report are referred to Controller Harris for report.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL;

November 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.

Cement.
Police Woman.
Special Policeman Fleming Park.
Longard Road (Robie Street) Widening - Haber Hartlen.
City Prison Monthly Report.
Walnut Street.
Upper Water Street, West Side - Wooden Building.
Pounds for Cattle.
War - Returned Wounded Soldiers.
War - Lights Out - Tram Company's Bill.
Acadain School Property - G. W. Outhit.
Waterloo Street Electric Light.
City Home.
Baker, City Home.
City Home Groceries.
Incinerator Lot Trees.
Public Comfort Station.
High Cost of Living.
Bell's Lane Paving.
Accounts.

CEMENT.

Read report Clerk of Works re cement contract, as follows:-

City Works Office, Nov. 7th, 1916.

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

Under instructions of His Worship the Mayor, I write to advise that there is urgent need of three (3) cars of cement to complete the work the City has in hand. The Engineer's Department enquired of the present contractor for cement if he would supply the extra quantity at contract quotations, viz;- 42 6/7¢ per 100 lbs. He, however, would not undertake to do so, but quoted a price of 52 6/7¢ per 100 lbs. f.o.b. here. Messrs. Brockfield Bros.' Ltd. was the best price obtainable, viz.- 47 1/7¢ f.o.b. Halifax, plus 10¢ for bags, less 8 1/2¢ for all returned in good condition.

The price of cement is likely to advance any day, and it is desirable in the interests of the City that your immediate concurrence be given to this order.

A. F. Messervey
Clerk of Works.

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His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that owing to pressing need, he had ordered one car of cement from Brookfield Bros. at the price quoted.

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Clerk Works.*

The Clerk of Works is instructed to call for tenders in the regular way for the balance of the cement required.

POLICE WOMAN.

J. T. Wilson, Mrs. Mary Macnab, Mrs. E. M. Murray and L. A. Miles waited upon the Board, urging the appointment by the City of Parole Officer Mrs. Ella M. Paint to the position of police woman.

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Cont. Harris*

Read application Mrs. Mary Virtue, Superintendent Social Service House, 114 Crescent Street, Sydney, C. B., for position of Parole Officer.

Referred to Controller Harris for report.

SPECIAL POLICEMAN FLEMING PARK.

*✓
Joseph Boutlier*

His Worship the Mayor advised the Board that it is necessary some person should have and exercise authority in Fleming Park during the winter, and recommended the appointment of Joseph Boutlier as a special policeman to look after the Park during the winter. Approved.

LONGARD ROAD (ROBIE STREET) - HEBER HARTLEN.

The City Solicitor and Heber Hartlen appeared before the Board in connection with Mr. Hartlen's refusal to sign a lease of the encroachment of Mr. Hartlen's building, known as the cobbler, on property recently acquired by the City from Mr. Hartlen for the widening of Longard Road.

The City Solicitor informed the Board that he had had a conference with Mr. Hartlen, who absolutely refuses to take a lease from the City of the portion of the property upon which the cooler building stands. He did not see that the City could compel Mr. Hartlen

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to take a lease if he did not want to. Mr. Hartlen has already conveyed the property to the City by deed, and he advised that the City pay over to Mr. Hartlen the amount of the award of the appraisers, which amounted to \$498.70.

Mr. Hartlen informed the Board that the city can have the cooler building if they want it. He does not want to lease it from the City. If the building encroaches upon City property, why does not the City put it off the land.

The Board, on the advice of the City Solicitor, decides to recommend to City Council that the appraisers' value of the land be paid to Mr. Hartlen.

CITY PRISON MONTHLY REPORT.

READ report Governor Grant, of the City Prison, for the month of October. Filed.

WALNUT STREET.

Read letter William McFatriage, requesting that the City name an appraiser to value a lot of land owned by him on Walnut Street, proposed to be acquired by the City.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

UPPER WATER STREET, WEST SIDE - WOODEN BUILDING.

Read petition John Janigian for permission to repair a wooden building on the west side of Upper Water Street, partially destroyed by fire some time ago.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

At request of Mr. Janigian the members of the Board agree to inspect the property.

POUNDS FOR CATTLE.

Read report Controller Harris recommending certain amendments to the Ordinance relating to cattle pounds.

Council

Engineer

Engineer

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Approved, and referred to the City Solicitor to draft the amendments proposed.

WAR - RETURNED WOUNDED SOLDIERS.

W. S. Davison, President A. S. McKensie and A. B Mitchell, a sub-committee from the citizens' reception committee, appeared before and addressed the Board on behalf of wounded soldiers returning from overseas. The committee, as representing the citizens, have been doing all they can in the way of receiving the men immediately upon their return but had come to the conclusion that more than this was necessary, and that some public recognition should be given.

The committee suggested that one day each week be set apart as a public recognition day, and that the Mayor and City Council receive each week's contingent of returned wounded men in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, on, say, each Thursday afternoon at four o'clock. The citizens, school children, etc., would then have an opportunity to see and greet the men. In some cities the men are presented with a public recognition card.

The Board unanimously approved of the suggestions of the committee, and fixed Thursday, 16th inst. at four p. m. as the date to hold a public recognition assemblage for all the Halifax men returned to the City up to that date.

Mr. Davison was requested to forward to the City Clerk a list of all the Halifax wounded soldiers who have returned up to date, giving the names of their regiments.

WAR - LIGHTS OUT - TRAM COMPANY'S BILL.

The Clerk of Works requested instructions from the Board as to settlement of the Tram Company's

Solicitor ✓

Mayor ✓
W S Davison ✓

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*Club works
Solicitor
Electrician*

account for street lights for October, during part of which the lights had been shut off through request of the Military authorities.

Referred to the City Solicitor for report.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY - G. W. OUTHIT.

Read letter C. W. Outhit re the portion of the Acadian School property occupied by him, as follows:-

Halifax, November 4th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
City.

Gentlemen:-

Before my lease expired, I neglected to arrange a rental value of this property, and have continued to occupy it since April 1st, 1916. The City Council has now made a demand that I must pay \$2000.00 or vacate. I have been advised that this amount is excessive and that I should contest it. This, however, I do not propose to do.

*Solicitor
C. W. Outhit*

I enclose you cheque for one year's rental, less \$110.00 for taxes paid, which I assume the City will refund.

G. W. Outhit.

Referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion.

WATERLOO STREET ELECTRIC LIGHT.

Engineer

Read petition for an electric light on Waterloo Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CITY HOME.

Council

Read report City Home for the month of October, showing the number of inmates to be 290, and recommending that tenders be called for the supply of 1000 bus. of potatoes and 50 bus. of turnips. Approved.

BAKER, CITY HOME.

*Joe W. Ryan
Secy. City Home*

On recommendation of Controller Halliday, the Secretary of the City Home is instructed to advertise for a baker to take the place of Daniel Mackintosh, who retires at the end of November on superannuation.

CITY HOME GROCERIES.

Read report City Home recommending for acceptance

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Council ✓

the tender of Wentzell's Ltd. for groceries for three months, it being the lowest tender. Approved.

INCINERATOR LOT TREES.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
November 3rd, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control stating that Alderman Kelly informed the Board that the directors of Point Pleasant Park will supply the City with 50 ornamental shade trees to be placed on the Incinerator lot, if the City will plant them. After the meeting of the Board, Alderman Kelly telephoned me, and on my informing him that our appropriation was too low to admit of any new work being done this year, he said that the Gardens Commissioners would do the work if the Board would approve of it.

A year ago a suggestion was made that the Incinerator lot be used as a park. On August 27th, 1915, Mr. Doane reported against this proposition, as in his opinion the land would be required for other purposes in the near future. I concur in this view, and while there can be no objection to the lot being used as a playground, in its present condition, I do not think it should be dedicated for this purpose.

I would suggest that the Park Commission be asked to plant the trees on the tree line on the sidewalk around the lot instead of inside the lot where in a short period they may have to be destroyed in the course of improvements.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Ald. Kelly ✓
Cont. Harris ✓
City Engineer ✓

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to Alderman Kelly, and Controller Harris and the City Engineer requested to discuss the matter of location of the trees, as to whether they should be planted on the lot or on the surrounding sidewalk.

PUBLIC COMFORT STATION.

Tenders for a public comfort station are received and opened as follows:-

	<u>Plan No. 1.</u>	<u>Plan No. 2.</u>
Rhodes, Curry & Co.	\$19,675.00	\$17,118.00
Falconer & MacDonald	20,900.00	16,500.00

For rock excavation, Rhodes, Curry & Co. tender

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\$2.40 per cubic yard, and Falconer & MacDonald \$1.10 per cubic yard.

Engineer

The tenders are referred to the City Engineer for report.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Read petition Halifax District Trades and Labor Council relating to the high cost of living, as follows:-

Halifax, November 1st, 1916.

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

The Halifax District Trades and Labor Council is of the opinion that the Board of Control should initiate an enquiry into the circumstances responsible for the very largely increased cost of living in Halifax.

We believe that this investigation must be initiated and controlled directly by the Board, and should be directed towards ascertaining the following facts.

- A. Is the increased cost of food stuffs due to shortage of these articles? Or due
- B. To a combination among the wholesalers?
- C. Or due to the retailers exacting abnormal huge profits?
- D. Are high rents due to a scarcity of dwellings?
- E. What is responsible for the exceptional high price of coal?

We believe that an impartial and fearless investigation will be to the interest of the vast majority of citizens.

We further believe that the proper authority to deal with this important matter is the Board of Control of the City of Halifax, and we respectfully urge your honorable body to take immediate action along the lines indicated in this communication, or at least to institute at once some satisfactory policy aiming at the reduction of the present high cost of living to a basis that will in some measure enable the wage earning population of the City to enjoy a reasonable standard of living.

R. L. Miller,
Secretary.

*R. L. Miller ✓
Secy. Soc. C*

The Secretary is instructed to request the Trades & Labor Council to appoint a committee to meet this Board and discuss the matter and to advise as to a date that would be convenient to the Trades & Labor

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BELL'S LANE PAVING.

George J. Hiseler appeared before the Board requesting that he be relieved from payment of interest on account charged against him for paving the roadway of Bell's Lane some three years ago.

Mr. Hiseler is requested to obtain from the City Collector and submit to the Board his account, with the interest charges up to date.

*Collector ✓
Geo J Hiseler ✓*

ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts are submitted and passed for payment:- City Home, \$5627.05; Fire Department \$1085.38; City Prison \$154.98; Health Board \$ 94.35.

City Home.

Nova Scotia Hospital	Maintenance	176.50
Gunn & Co., Ltd.	Flour	243.90
Wentzells Ltd.	Groceries	404.28
J.A. Leaman & Co.	Meat and pork	428.00
Smith & Proctor	Butter	141.89
A. Wilson & Son	Fresh fish	34.80
W. Y. Kennedy	Dry goods	116.18
A. Fordham & Co.	Leather	21.68
Scotia Pure Milk Co.	Milk	102.64
The Fleischmann Co.	Yeast	3.90
Halifax Tram Co. Ltd.	Light and power	27.75
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones.	7.50
Buckley Coal Co.	Coal	278.10
S.C. Thompson	Forage	71.63
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising	13.65
Halifax Herald	"	17.57
Chronicle Pub. Co.	"	17.57
Alfred Carter	Repairs, etc.	3.85
Farquhar Bros.	"	10.57
H. McFatridge	Horseshoeing	3.50
H. H. Banks	Vegetables	81.83
Nickerson's Ltd.	Potatoes	24.54
J.F. Outhit	Cabbage	.75
Jas. Simmonds, Ltd.	Hardware	13.91
Baldwin & Co.	Crockeryware	7.40
P. Weatherby, M.D.	Lunacy certificates	5.00
E. J. Mulcahy	Cash expended	495.47
Salaries	October 16th	880.14
N.S. Hospital	Maintenance	1985.95
		<u>\$5627.05</u>

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Fire Department.

Hfx. Tram Co.	Light and power	42.30
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	57.82
Burns & Kelliher	Hose couplings	13.87
City Home	Wood	4.25

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E.W.Crease & Son	Groceries	19.29
Edmondson & Petch	Waterproof coats	150.00
John Davison & Son	Lumber	2.58
Hfx. Vulcanizing Works	Repairs	3.00
Farquhar Bros.	Hardware	19.85
Longard Bros.	Machine work	5.00
Robert J. Leary	Dry cleaning	2.00
F.W.McNally	Plumbing	6.35
John McInnes & Son	Lumber	33.41
A.J.McNutt	Repairs	1.60
H.McFetridge	Veterinary services	27.95
J.C.aMerlin	Lumber	39.41
Imperial Oil Co.	Gasoline	772.90
National Drug Co.	Rubber tubing	.20
Wm. Robertson & Son	Brass Gromettes	1.20
Ungar's Laundry	Laundry Work	8.04
David Roche	Glazing, etc.	37.38
Wm. J. Regan	Supplies	45.80
Wm. Roche	Coal	10.00
Stroud & Eveleigh	Repairs	20.40
John Starr Son & Co.	Batteries(recharging)	5.95
C. Shipley & Co.	Uniform suit	26.50
Sheehan Motor Co.	Guage	1.25
S.C.Thompson	Forage	399.57
Jas. Simmonds	Hardware	27.51
		<u>\$1085.38</u>

City Prison.

J.J. Scriven & Sons	Bread	22.68
E.W.Crease & Son	Groceries	39.15
J.A. Leaman & Co.	Oxheads	4.55
W.A. Maling & Co.	Oxheads	5.25
C.C. Hartlen & Co.	Stew beef	8.83
S.C. Thompson	Middlings	10.00
Stairs, Son & Morrow	Hardware	3.05
John White & Co.	Grate bars & repairs	27.50
Ebutlier's Fish Market	Codfish	4.50
A.L. Melvin & Co.	Supplies	4.30
Maritime Tel. Co.	Rental	4.90
Halifax Electric Tram. Co.	Current	3.24
Stroud & Eveleigh	Shafts	10.25
W.J. McIntosh	Horseshoeing	6.78
		<u>\$154.98</u>

City Health Board.

John Starr, Son & Co.	Tungsten lamps	7.55
Robinsons Ltd.	Carriage hire	5.50
Wm Roche	Coal	7.70
Morton & Thompson	Hardware	5.61
Hillis & Sons	Pots	2.55
National Drug Co.	Instruments	3.20
Halifax Wet Wash	Washing	2.50
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	17.50
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	16.14
Baldwin & Co.	China	2.50
Hfx. Tram Co.	Light and power	3.90
Dept. Public Health	Antitoxin	19.80
		<u>\$94.35</u>

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin
MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan
L. Fred Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

November 9th, 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.

Fenwick Street Dump.
Loan to Retire Debentures.
Brunswick Street and South Street - Dangerous Trees.
Acadian School Property.
Cash Statement City Collector.
Cash statement City Treasurer.
Water Bill Estate Wm. Murray - Murray Place.
Fire Department.
Fire Prevention.
Fire Escapes.
George Street - Cragg Bros.' Encroachment.
Strand Theatre License.
Water Bill Samuel R. Frame, 7 Belle Aire Terrace.
Water Bill W. Gaul, 5 Upper Water Street.
Water Bill Estate Charles Kirby, 186 North Street.
Tenders for cement.
Accounts.

FENWICK STREET DUMP.

Read letter Deputy Mayor Colwell, complaining of the condition of Fenwick Street dump.

The Chief of Police verbally reported to the Board that complaint having been made to him, he had attended to it, and that the conditions there have now been remedied.

The matter is referred to the City Engineer for attention.

LOAN TO RETIRE DEBENTURES.

Controller McKeen submits report from the City Treasurer as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
November 7th, 1916.

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

I respectfully bring to your attention that City Consols 1880, amounting to \$183,000 fall due January 1st, 1917.

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Authority is asked to call for loan by tender to repay them. The required legislative authority is under Chapter 51, Acts 1905, and Chapter 84, Acts 1909.

James J. Hopewell.

Approved.

Controller McKeen submits the following resolution:-

WHEREAS by Acts of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia, passed in the year 1905, as Chapter 51, and in 1909 as Chapter 84, the City of Halifax is authorized to borrow money and issue debentures for the purpose of paying off outstanding debentures and stock of the said City as the same mature;

AND WHEREAS debentures and stock of the said City amounting to \$183,000.00 mature on the 1st day of January, 1917, and it is necessary to issue debentures of the City of Halifax to the amount of \$130,000.00 for the purpose of paying off the said debentures which will mature as aforesaid;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purposes aforesaid there shall be borrowed on the credit of the City of Halifax at large and as part of the Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905, the sum of \$130,000.00, and debentures sufficient to yield \$130,000.00 shall be issued therefor, dated as of the 1st day of January, 1917, bearing interest from the said 1st day of January, 1917, at the rate of 5% per annum, payable half yearly on the 1st day of January and July in each year/ The said debentures shall be payable in thirty-four years from the date thereof.

The said debentures shall be in the form set out in the said Acts of 1905, Chapter 51, shall be sealed with the Corporate Seal of the City and shall be signed by the Mayor and Treasurer of the said City and countersigned by the Clerk of the said City. The interest coupons attached to the said debentures shall be signed by the Mayor and City Treasurer, and their signatures thereon may be printed, stamped or engraved.

The said debentures as to both principal and interest shall be payable at the option of the holder at the Royal Bank of Canada in Montreal, Toronto or New York.

The resolution is moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Halliday and passed, and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council, with the recommendation that the City Treasurer advertise for tenders for the loan, tenders to be receivable until 12 o'clock noon, December 4th, 1916.

BRUNSWICK STREET AND SOUTH STREET - DANGEROUS TREES.

Read reports Richard L. Power, Asst. Superintendent

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Public Gardens, re dangerous trees, as follows:-

Public Gardens, Halifax, N.S.,
November 9th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor and Controllers,
Gentlemen:-

Report of Trunk of Ash Tree in front
of Dr. G.A. Campbell's House on
Brunswick St.

This trunk of ash tree should be removed, as it
is dangerous and all roots are rotted. As we have no
funds for this purpose and as it is dangerous, I
would recommend that the Board of Control cut it down.

Richard L. Power,
Asst. Supt.

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Public Gardens, Halifax, N.S.,
November 9th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor and Controllers,
Gentlemen:-

At the request of Controller McKeen, I inspected
a tree on South Street on south side of property of
Mr. Bullock. I found one part of tree hangs over the
fence on the street to the middle of the road. Al-
though not an obstruction, it is dangerous and may
fall at any time, doing damage. I would recommend
that the trunk of it leaning to the west be removed,
part of which has already been cut by the contractor
removing house on South Street. (He had to pay Mr.
Bullock for this privilege).

*Engineer
R.L. Power*

Richard L. Power,
Asst. Supt.

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY.

Read opinion City Solicitor that the Acadian
School property building on Barrington Street, occu-
pied by G. W. Outhit, belongs to the Board of School
Commissioners, and is, therefore, exempt from taxation.

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The opinion is concurred in, and the Board de-
cides to recommend to the City Council that Mr.
Outhit's cheque for ~~\$1190.00~~ ^{#1890} for one year's rental
of the building up to March 31st, 1917, be accepted.

CASH STATEMENT CITY COLLECTOR.

Read cash statement City Collector for the month
of October, as follows:-

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Office of City Collector, City Hall,
November 9th, 1916.

Return of collections of taxes and water rates in
City Collector's Office for the month of October, 1916.

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Taxes - 1911	\$274.33	
1912	325.88	
1913	837.90	
1914	2112.42	
1915	3633.54	
1916	11435.13	
Water Rates	6146.10	
War Tax	209.54	
P.F. Tax	863.20	
Interest	617.50	\$26,455.54

Ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for its
information.

CASH STATEMENT CITY TREASURER.

Council ✓

Read cash statement City Treasurer for the month
of October.

Ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for
its information.

WATER BILL ESTATE WILLIAM MURRAY, MURRAY PLACE.

*Engineer ✓
Cont. Murphy ✓*

Read water bill, \$280.99, estate William Marray,
Murray Place, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer and Controller Murphy
for report.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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

Office of Chief Fire Department,
November 9th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg leave to make the following report:-

- There have been 24 alarms of fire during the month
of October from the following causes:- gas stove 1;
sprinkler system 1; sparks setting fire to roof 1;
chimneys 3; rubbish 3; fire place 1; oil stove 1;
ash barrel 1; boys with matches 1; coal 1; defective
chimney 1; crossed electric wires 1; reflection 1;
plumber's lamp 2; smoke backing down chimney 2; cloth-
ing 1; unknown 1.

Insurance at risk	\$94,100.00	
Insurance losses		20,193.00
Losses without insurance		2,200.00
Total losses		<u>22,393.00</u>

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2. Benjamin Mannett, callman on No. 2 Truck, has resigned. Ernest Yeadon and William Harrington, relief drivers, have resigned.

Recommendations.

1. That James Welsh be appointed relief driver, vice William Sweeney resigned.
2. That James Vass be appointed callman.

P. J. Broderick,
Chief Fire Department.

Approved and recommended to City Council..

FIRE PREVENTION.

Controller McKeen suggested that at this time of year when citizens are commencing to light up their furnaces, etc., for the winter, cautionary notices for fire prevention should be submitted to the public.

Controller Halliday and the Chief of the Fire Department are requested to prepare and submit to the Board a suitable notice.

FIRE ESCAPES.

Controller Halliday called attention of the Board to the fact that some time ago he had requested the members to visit the Ladies' College for the purpose of inspecting it with the view of ordering fire escapes on the building, but that this had never been done.

Controller Halliday is requested to report to the Board as to premises upon which fire escapes were ordered to be erected, and in which the orders have been neglected.

The City Solicitor is requested to report as to the next step to be taken by the Board in cases in which owners of buildings neglect to obey orders of the Board in relation to the installation of fire escapes.

GEORGE STREET--CRAGG BROS.' ENCROACHMENT.

The City Clerk submits form of agreement between

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*Cont. Halliday ✓
Chief Fire Dept ✓*

*Cont. Halliday ✓
Solicitor ✓*

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the City and Cragg Bros. for lease of encroachment of the cornice and other projections of Cragg Bros.' building over the line of George Street, the consideration being an annual rental of \$1.00 per year.

Approved and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for confirmation.

STRAND THEATRE LICENSE.

Read letter Frank Reardon re license for the Strand Theatre, as follows:-

Halifax, N.S., October 28th, 1916.

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

Dear Sir:-

Replying to yours of the 26th inst., I beg to advise you that the Strand Theatre Co., Ltd., holds the building in question under lease from me. I claim to be a shareholder in this Company, and also the right to be a director.

The present Company and its Manager, however, declines to recognize my right as either to be a shareholder or director, and a suit is now pending in the Supreme Court to determine my rights in that regard. The lease is for a term of ten years; about nine of which are still to run.

I have also brought an action to cancel this lease, but the same cannot be determined for some time. In the meantime I am excluded from all control or management of the Strand Theatre, and also have no control or management for the holding of theatrical or other entertainments therein.

Frank Reardon.

Read report Controller Harris on the same subject, as follows:-

Halifax, N.S., November 9th, 1916.

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

In the matter of a license for the Strand Theatre, I would call the attention of the Board to the resolution of the Council passed on April 30th, 1908, which specifically states that licenses be granted to the owners of the premises. I would also call attention to Section 4 of Ordinance 20.

In the case of the Strand Theatre Building, Mr. Reardon made application for the license for the year

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1915-16, and as he is assessed for the property for 1916-17, the only conclusion I can arrive at is that he is still the owner of the premises and therefore should make application for the license to operate his building for the purposes of a theatre, and further that he should do so immediately; otherwise I do not recommend the granting of a license at any subsequent date prior to May 1st. All other theatre owners have complied with the law in this respect, and I do not see why any exception should be made in the case of the Strand Theatre Building.

George F. Harris,
Controller.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller McKeen that a solicitor be retained to advise the City in regard to this matter. Motion passed.

WATER BILL SAMUEL R. FRAME - 7 BELLE AIRE TERRACE.

Read water meter bill Samuel R. Frame, 7 Belle Aire Terrace, \$5.57, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER BILL W. GAUL, 5 UPPER WATER STREET.

Read water meter bill W. Gaul, 5 Upper Water St., \$14.65, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER BILL ESTATE CHAS. KIRBY, 186 NORTH STREET.

Read water meter bill Estate Chas. Kirby, 186 North Street, \$6.30, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

TENDERS FOR CEMENT.

Tenders for supply of two car-loads of cement are received and opened from the following:- Brookfield Bros. Ltd., The Frank A. Gillis Co., Ltd., J. C. Calder, The Piercey Supply Co., and James Simmonds Ltd.

The tenders are referred to the Clerk of Works for report and recommendation.

The Clerk of Works reports as follows:-

City Works Office, Nov. 9th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.

Sir:-

In re quotations for cement submitted me for report and recommendation -

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The quotations received are varied in form, but worked out on a basis of one barrel or its equivalent (4 sacks of 87½ lbs. each) they figure out as follows:-

James Simmonds Ltd., \$1.95 (sacks included) less 30¢ for sacks returned. Net price \$1.65/

J. C. Calder \$1.62 5/14 plus bags 40¢ total \$2.02 5/14 less for sacks returned 34¢ net price \$1.68 5/14.

The Piercey Supply Co. - 1 car \$2.00 (sacks included) less 30¢ for sacks returned. Net price \$1.70. 1 car \$2.03 (sacks included) less 30¢ for sacks returned. Net price \$1.73.

Brookfield Bros., Ltd., \$1.65 plus sacks 40¢ - \$2.05 less for sacks returned 34¢. Net price \$1.71.

F. A. Gillis Co. Ltd., \$2.05 (sacks included) less sacks returned 30¢. Net price \$1.75.

I understand it is necessary that at least a portion of the cement be obtained at once. James Simmonds Ltd., are the lowest tender, but cannot supply immediately or guarantee date of delivery.

J. C. Calder is the next lowest and can make immediate delivery of at least one-half the order. His quotation is subject to immediate acceptance on account of his liability for demurrage if car is not unloaded at once. As J. C. Calder's quotation would seem to be the best one in the interest of the City at this time, I recommend its acceptance. Extra cost to the City approximately \$15.00.

A. F. Messervey,
Clerk of Works.

Approved.

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts chargeable to various departments are submitted and passed for payment, as follows:-

Police Department.

Cragg Bros.	Metal polish	.25
T.C.Allen & Co.	Stationery	3.50
Maritime Tel. Co.	Rental	14.42
Halifax Herald	Advertising	12.54
Farquhar Bros.	Cleaning pipe, etc.	1.00
Halifax Tram Col	Labor	.50
Fire Department	Services	63/48
W. S. Bayer	Laundry	1.25
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising	4.65
T.C.Allen & Co.	Filing cases	2.10
N.S. Furnishing Co.	Chairs	33.00
J.L. Connolly	Index forms	10.50
Eastern Bicycle Co.	Brake stem, etc.	2.15
		<u>\$149.34</u>

Works Department.

Telephones	80.38
City Hall Lighting	38.26

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Assessment Improvement Plan	.31
Electric wiring inspection	9.60
Street Lighting	161.00
Permanent sidewalks	1128.34
Cleaning Paved Streets	19.49
Public Baths	39.66
Fleming Park	23.02
Internal Health	81.93
Night Soil Plant	153.13
Streets	681.42
Sewerage	285.21
City Property and Market Maintenance	314.38
Teams and stables	407.44
Water Maintenance	37.00
Water Maintenance	502.26
Water Construction	1174.79
Permanent Sidewalks	827.98
	<u>\$5965.60</u>

General Accounts.

Joseph Spencer	Undertaker's services	13.00
E.M.Vieth	Information for assessors	10.00
W.H.Isnor & Sons	Horse hire	37.50
Ross Print	Printing Forms	42.00
A. & W.MacKinley, Ltd.	Books	
	City Assessors \$27.40	
	" Collector 24.50	
	" Clerk 49.15	101.09
T.C.Allen & Co.	Printing & stationery	
	City Collector 5.50	
	" Assessor 43.60	
	" Clerk 443.70	
	Mayor 15.00	507.80
Halifax Herald	Advertising	58.58
Blackadar Bros.	"	34.80
St.Patrick's Home	Maintenance Children under	
	Children's Protection Act	60.86
"	Truants quarter ending	
	Nov. 1st 682.97	
	do Aug. 1st 57.50	
	Juvenile offenders	
	qr.ending Nov.1st 108.83	921.30
Hfx.Industrial School	Truants qr.ending	
	Nov. 1st 358.51	
	Juvenile offenders 198.19	556.70
School for Deaf	Maintenance 4 pupils	
	for year ending June 30	500.00
Hazelwood Hospital	Maintenance patients	
	qr.ending July 31st	524.30
S. McDow	Maintenance children under	
	Children's Protection Act	6.56
Maritime Home for Girls	Maintenance girls to Nov.1	180.81
Hfx, Industrial School	Maintenance children under	
	Children's Protection Act	68.28
Legislative Council	Charge on City Bill	20.00
		<u>\$3643.58</u>

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The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin
MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin
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.

Theatre License Casino Theatre Co. Ltd.
Jubilee Road and Chestnut Street Widening.
Coal Weighers' Monthly Report.
Purity of Water Supply - Expropriation of Property
Foot of Long Lake.
Superannuation John Spruin, Janitor City Hall.
Lights Out - Halifax Electric Tramway Company's
Account for October.
Bell Street Paving - George J. Hiseler's Account.
Garbage Incinerator.
Camp Hill - Workmen's Dwellings.
Electrid Lighting Contract.

THEATRE LICENSE CASINO CO. LTD.

Read application Casino Co., Ltd. for a theatre license for the Casino Theatre, Gottingen Street.

Referred to Controller Harris for report.

JUBILEE ROAD AND CHESTNUT STREET WIDENING.

Read letter William Davies re widening of Jubilee Road and Chestnut Street at his property to conform to the Official City Plan.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

COAL WEIGHERS' MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report coal weighers for the month of October, showing each weigher to have received \$88.16.

Referred to City Council for its information.

PURITY OF WATER SUPPLY--EXPROPRIATION OF PROPERTY

FOOT OF LONG LAKE.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that J. C. Harris be appointed arbitrator in the matter of expropriation of properties at the foot of Long Lake for the preservation of the purity of the water supply.

*Cont.
Harris ✓*

Engineer ✓

Council ✓

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SUPERANNUATION JOHN SPRUIN, JANITOR CITY HALL.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that John Spruin, Janitor of the City Hall, who is over 64 years of age and becoming incapacitated for further service, is applying for superannuation.

His Worship submitted the following memorandum from the City Treasurer:-

Office of City Treasurer,
October 26th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

In accordance with your request, I respectfully submit a memo. in re superannuation of Janitor of City Hall, John Spruin.

Date of birth, Oct. 22nd, 1852	-	64 years.
Service, from May, 1890,	-	27 years.
Salary last 3 years	-	\$850 per year.
Superannuation 1/50 for each year's service		
\$17.00	-	\$459.00.
Payable by Officials' Fund 11/50	-	\$187.00
" " Assessment 16/50	-	\$272.00

If house rent, fuel and light be taken as part of his salary, as it was clearly intended to be, viz.- \$200.00 rent, \$100.00 fuel, \$25.00 light, the assessment would be increased \$175.50, making a total superannuation of \$634.50. An Act would be necessary as in the case of D. McIntosh.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Referred to Controller McKeen for report.

LIGHTS OUT - HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY COMPANY'S

ACCOUNT FOR OCTOBER.

On motion of Controller Murphy, His Worship the Mayor, Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell, and the City Solicitor are appointed a committee to discuss with H. R. Mallison, representing the Tramway Company, a basis of settlement of the Tramway Company's account for electric lighting for the month of October, because of conditions which arose through the request of the Military Authorities for the turning off of lights.

The Secretary is instructed to request Mr. Mallison

*Cont
McKeen ✓*

*Letters ✓
Mayor
Deputy Mayor
Solicitor*

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to attend at the Mayor's Office at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

H.R. Mallison ✓

BELL STREET PAVING - GEORGE J. HISELER'S ACCOUNT.

George J. Hiseler appeared before the Board and submitted an account from the City Collector for \$385.95, principal, and \$61.75, interest on same, charged against him for the paving of Bell Street.

Solicitor ✓

Referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion as to whether the City can legally relieve Mr. Hiseler from the payment of interest.

GARBAGE INCINERATOR.

Read application Joseph B. Hazell, 62 Maitland Street, for the position of Engineer at the Garbage Incinerator.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CAMP HILL - WORKMEN'S DWELLINGS.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that recently, while at Ottawa, he had, amongst other things, interviewed Sir Robert Borden as to the possibility of the City of Halifax obtaining from the Government the vacant land known as Camp Hill, for the purpose of erecting thereon dwellings for workmen. Sir Robert informed him that there was little prospect of this and other matters being taken up seriously during the progress of the War. His Worship thought the matter should be kept in mind and something done when a favorable opportunity presents itself.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

It is decided to include in the conditions for the proposed new contract for city electric lighting, the present so-called Whiteway Lighting on Barrington and Granville Streets, and also the business blocks on

*Engineer ✓
Electrician ✓
Solicitor ✓*

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.

High Cost of Living.
Beech Street Water Extension.
Ordinance re Oiling of Streets.
Typewriting Machine Repairs.
York Street Water Extension.
Disturbance at Building #83 Edinburgh Street.
Charge for Water for Construction Purposes.
City Home Cook and Baker.
Electric Lighting Contract.
Water Bills Estate Pierce Mulally, 194 Creighton Street,
31 Maitland Street and 163 Maynard Street.
Water Bill Peter L. Purcell, 33 Upper Water Street.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Read letter Halifax District Trades and Labor Council re high cost of living, as follows:-

Halifax, November 14th, 1916.

Board of Control,
Halifax, N. S.

Sirs:-

Your letter of November 9th received and contents noted. I am instructed to inform you that a committee from the Trades and Labor Council has been appointed to meet the Board of Control informally on Monday evening, November 20th, at 8 p. m. at the City Hall. Kindly inform me at your earliest convenience if this date is agreeable to the members of the Board. Awaiting your earliest reply,

R. L. Miller,
Secretary.

R. L. Miller ✓
The Secretary is instructed to inform the Trades and Labor Council that it will be convenient for the Board of Control to receive their committee on Monday evening next at 8 o'clock.

BEECH STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read extract minutes of meeting of City Council November 9th, 1916, referring back to this Board its report dated November 2nd, 1916, re water extension

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Beech Street from Jubilee Road northwardly.

It is decided to again recommend to the City Council for adoption without change or amendment its original report.

Council ✓

ORDINANCE RE OILING OF STREETS.

Read extract from minutes of a meeting of the City Council held November 9th, 1916, referring back to this Board draft ordinance respecting the oiling of streets.

*Cont. Murphy ✓
Engineer ✓*

The draft ordinance is referred to Controller Murphy and the city Engineer for report.

TYPEWRITING MACHINE REPAIRS.

Read report Controller McKeen on offer of the United Typewriter Co. to keep typewriting machines repaired and supplied with ribbons at \$10.00 per year per machine, as follows:-

Halifax, November 16th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I recommend that this offer be not entertained as the cost of \$10.00 per machine would appear to be in excess of present expense.

John McKeen,
Controller.

Approved.

YORK STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for water extension York Street, between Preston and Oxford Streets.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

DISTURBANCE AT BUILDING #83 EDINBURGH STREET.

Read letter City Health Board re complaint of disturbance of the peace by residents in the building #83 Edinburgh Street.

*Cont. Harris ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

Referred to Controller Harris.

CHARGE FOR WATER FOR CONSTRUCTION PURPOSES.

Read letter Clerk of Works asking advice as to charge for water for construction purposes at a building

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on Quinpool Road.

The Clerk of Works is instructed to refer the matter to the City Engineer.

CITY HOME COOK AND BAKER.

Read applications in response to advertisement in the newspapers for the position of cook and baker at the City Home from the following:-

F. W. Horley, 199 Lockman Street; John F. Norris, 24 Gerrish Street; M. Halam, P. O. Box 885, Truro, N.S.; John Ross, 37 LeMarchant Street; Charles Ford, P. O. Box 26, Shubenacadie, N. S.; John McAlister, 149 Granville Street; Amuel Rafuse, 83 Hollis Street; Peter McManaman, Kentville, N. S.; G. H. Lewis, 156 Spring Garden Road; William Smith, 7 Fern Lane;

Referred to Controller Halliday and the Superintendent of the City Home for report and recommendation.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING CONTRACT.

Read tender Halifax Electric Tramway Col, Ltd., for City electric lighting, as follows:-

Halifax, November 15th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

The undersigned have carefully read the specification prepared by the City Engineer for lighting the streets and city buildings, does hereby tender to do all the work and furnish all the materials specified in the specification, in the manner and time therein prescribed, for the term of five years, for the following prices:-

\$78.00 - for each and every 300 watt lamp per year.
\$63.00 - for each and every 200 watt lamp per year.

10¢ per kilowatt hour for incandescent lighting for buildings, subject to the terms and discounts contained in the schedule of rates approved by the Board of Public Utilities by Order dated June 8th, 1916, or such other rates as may be hereafter ordered.

And tenders to do all the work and furnish all the materials specified in the specification in the manner and time prescribed, for a term of ten years for the following prices:-

*Clerk of Works
Angus*

*Cont. Halliday
B. J. Munnery*

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\$72.50 - for each and every 300 watt lamp per year.
\$57.50 - for each and every 200 watt lamp per year.

10¢ per kilowatt hour for incandescent lighting for buildings, subject to the terms and discounts contained in the schedule of rates approved by the Board of Public Utilities by order dated June 8th, 1916, or such other rates as may be hereafter ordered.

And it is hereby agreed that if this tender is accepted a contract will be signed, containing such terms and provisions as the City Solicitor may require.

Notwithstanding anything above contained, it is understood that this tender is subject only to the specifications as revised and amended in our letter dated the 15th of November, 1916.

HALIFAX ELECTRIC TRAMWAY COMPANY, LTD.

Per O. E. Smith, Vicepresident
Per W. J. DeBlois, Secretary.

Referred to Controller Murphy, the City Engineer, the City Electrician and the City Solicitor for report.

WATER BILLS ESTATE PIERCE MULALLY, 194 CREIGHTON ST.,
31 MAITLAND STREET, AND 163 MAYNARD STREET.

Read water meter bills charged to the estate of Pierce Mulally at properties 194 Creighton Street, 31 Maitland Street and 163 Maynard Street, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER BILL PETER L. PURCELL, 33 UPPER WATER ST.

Read letter Peter L. Purcell, complaining of excessive charge for water at property 33 Upper Water Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

*Members ✓
Council ✓
Cont. Murphy ✓
Engineer ✓
Electrician ✓
Solicitor ✓*

Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

November 20th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this evening at 8 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor, Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy and Deputy Mayor H. S. Colwell.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

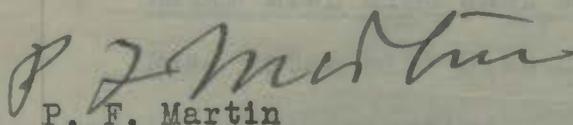
There were in attendance, representing the Halifax District Trades and Labor Council, R. Innes, President Trades and Labor Council, G. W. Harris, R. Miller, G.R. Scriven, J. A. Garnett and J. W. Farrell.

A general discussion took place as to the high cost of living, the representatives of the Labor Council urging the Board of Control to investigate the subject to the best of their ability. Particular reference was made to charges for coal by the Dominion Coal Co., the storage of food at the Cold Storage Plant in Halifax, the cost of rents, the sale of produce from vessels direct to the consumer, and the prices charged in the City Market Building.

The Secretary is instructed to obtain, if possible, from the Attorney General, a copy of the recent order in Council passed by the Dominion Government for the regulation of the prices of the necessaries of life.

The delegation requested the Board to visit the Cold Storage Plant and to notify the Secretary of the Council of the date of such visit, in order that a representative could accompany the Board of Control.

The Board adjourned.


P. F. Martin

MAYOR.



CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

November 21st, 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.

- City Home Tenders for Produce.
- Water Bill John H. Balcom, 119 Cunard Street.
- Water Bill Miss Jane Nauffts, 15 John Street.
- Water Bill F. W. Jubien, 38 Brenton Street.
- Water Bills George A. McKenzie.
- Water Bill Plant Steamship Line.
- Canadian Patriotic Fund.
- Overloading of Horses.
- Disturbance at Building #83 Edinburgh Street.
- Acadian School Property.
- Barrington Street.
- Produce Sales from Vessels.
- Bell Oat and Grain Crusher.
- Long Lake Watershed, Expropriation of Property.
- Water Bills George J. Hiseler, 1 - 3 Bell's Lane.
- Sidewalk Appropriation.

CITY HOME TENDERS FOR PRODUCE.

Tenders for supplying 1000 bushels of potatoes and 60 bushels of turnips for the City Home are received and opened, as follows:-

	<u>Potatoes.</u>	<u>Turnips.</u>
Nickerson & Co., Ltd.	\$1.16	40¢
Black & Flinn	1.02	45¢
Hendry, Ltd.	.97	40
Joseph Wood & Co.	1.03½	48¢

It is decided to recommend the acceptance of the tender of Hendry, Ltd.

WATER BILL JOHN H. BALCOM, 119 CUNARD STREET.

Read letter John H. Balcom, complaining of excessive charge for water at premises 119 Cunard Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER BILL MISS JANE NAUFFTS, 15 JOHN STREET.

Read water bill Miss Jane Nauffts, 15 John Street, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

*Council ✓
Hendry Ltd ✓
Joe A. Bryan ✓*

Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

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WATER BILL F. W. JUBIEN, 38 BRENTON STREET.

A complaint of Fred. W. Jubien, 38 Brenton Street, of excessive charge for water, is referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

WATER BILLS GEORGE A. MCKENZIE.

Read water meter bills charged to George A. McKenzie, claimed to be excessive, at properties 22, 24, 25 and 27 Kaye Street and 77 East Young Street.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WATER BILL PLANT STEAMSHIP LINE.

Read letter Plant Steamship Company complaining of excessive charge for water at their wharf.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND.

Read application Canadian Patriotic Fund for payment to them of the City's fourth instalment of \$4,500.00 of the City's contribution to said Fund.

Cont. McKeen ✓

Referred to controller McKeen for report.

OVERLOADING OF HORSES.

Read letter Society for Prevention of Cruelty, regarding the overloading of horses on the hills, and asking for co-operation by the Police with the Society.

*Cont. Harris ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

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

DISTURBANCE AT BUILDING #84 EDINBURGH STREET.

Controller Harris asked that the Board of Health furnish him with a copy of the complaint made to the Board of Health as to disturbance in building #83 Edinburgh Street.

Health Board ✓

ACADIAN SCHOOL PROPERTY.

The Board discussed the advisability of renting the old Acadian School Building on Argyle Street.

B/C ✓

The matter is deferred for further consideration.

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Controller Murphy informed the Board that since the Acadian School property on Barrington Street occupied by C. W. Outhit has been rented to Mr. Outhit by the City, Mr. Outhit proposes cancelling his insurance on the plate glass windows. Controller Murphy recommended that the policies now held by Mr. Outhit which expire June 24th, 1918, be continued in the name of the city, the City to pay the amount of premium for the unexpired term.

Approved, and referred to the Clerk of Works for attention, the premium to be paid for out of City Property Account, if necessary.

BARRINGTON STREET.

His Worship the Mayor suggested that since several blocks at the south end of Pleasant Street have been taken over for the Halifax Ocean Terminals, the whole of this thoroughfare should be given a single name instead of four, as at present, viz.- Pleasant street, Barrington Street, Lockman Street and Campbell Road.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that the whole thoroughfare be called the one name, Barrington Street, and re-numbered accordingly.

PRODUCE SALES FROM VESSELS.

The Board discussed the advisability of repealing the law in regard to the charging of license fees to vessels selling produce direct from the ship to the consumer.

Deferred for further consideration.

BELL OAT AND GRAIN CRUSHER.

Controller Murphy submits the following telegram:-

Kitchener, Ontario,
November 20th, 1916.

Controller John Murphy,
Halifax, N. S.

Kindly wire answer collect when we may expect cheque for crushers, time being long past due.

Twin City Oil Co.

Clerk of Works ✓

Council ✓

*B/c ✓
City Solicitor ✓*

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Cont. Murphy ✓

Controller Murphy states he will reply to the telegram today.

Council ✓

LONG LAKE WATERSHED, EXPROPRIATION OF PROPERTY.

Read letter City Clerk informing the Board that he had on the 20th instl paid into the Supreme Court the sum of \$2,480.00 as the value of land expropriated at the foot of Long Lake.

Referred to the City Council for its information.

Engineer ✓

WATER BILLS GEORGE J. HISELER, 1 - 3 BELL'S LANE.

George J. Hiseler appeared before the Board asking for reduction in water bills Nos. 1 - 3 Bell's Lane, which he had some time ago submitted to the Board for investigation.

The City Engineer is instructed to have the meters examined, and report.

Engineer ✓

SIDEWALK APPROPRIATION.

Controller Murphy requested that the city Engineer carefully watch the sidewalk appropriation and see that the same is not overdrawn.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin

P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. Fred Mowaghan

CITY CLERK.

The following resolution is submitted:
WHEREAS by Acts of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia, passed in the year 1907, and Chapter 47, and in 1911, and Chapter 40, the City of Halifax is authorized to borrow money and issue debentures for the purpose of paying off outstanding debentures and stock of the said City as the same mature;
AND WHEREAS the Board of Finance of the said City, pursuant to \$135,000 to be paid on the 1st day of January, 1917, and it is necessary to issue debentures of the City of Halifax to the amount of \$135,000, for the purpose of paying off the said debentures which will mature as aforesaid;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED That for the purpose of the aforesaid resolution the Board of Finance of the City of Halifax do hereby authorize the Mayor to issue and sell on behalf of the said City of Halifax as part of the said City of Halifax

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

November 23rd, 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.

School Debentures.
Sinking Funds.
Superannuation Edward Meagher, City Foreman.
Morris Street Concrete Sidewalk.
City Home Cook and Baker.
Rain Water Leaders.
Cement Contract.
Canadian Patriotic Fund.
Water Bill Heirs Charles McGuinn, 27 James Street.
High Cost of Living - Order-in-Council.

SCHOOL DEBENTURES.

Read letter City Treasurer as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
November 21st, 1916.

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

I beg to notify you that School Debentures issued 1892 to the amount of \$135,000 fall due on Jan. 1st, 1917.

Under Section 3 Chapter 40 Acts 1911 the City Treasurer is directed to redeem or refund such debentures. I respectfully request that the City Treasurer be authorized to take tenders for the refunding of that amount on December 4th, 1916 up to 12 noon.

James J. Hopewell
City Treasurer.

The following resolution is submitted.-

WHEREAS by Acts of the Legislature of the Province of Nova Scotia, passed in the year 1907, as Chapter 67, and in 1911 as Sec. 3 of Chapter 40, the City of Halifax is authorized to borrow money and issue debentures for the purpose of paying off outstanding debentures and stock of the said City as the same mature;

AND WHEREAS School Debentures of the said City, amounting to \$135,000 mature on the 1st day of January, 1917, and it is necessary to issue debentures of the City of Halifax to the amount of \$135,000, for the purpose of paying off the said debentures which will mature as aforesaid;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that for the purpose aforesaid there shall be borrowed on the credit of the City of Halifax at large and as part of the Halifax

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Consolidated Fund 1905, the sum of \$135,000, and debentures sufficient to yield \$135,000 shall be issued therefor, dated as of the 1st day of January, 1917, bearing interest from the said 1st day of January, 1917, at the rate of five per cent per annum payable half-yearly on the 1st day of January and July in each year. The said debentures shall be payable in thirty-four years from the date thereof.

The said debentures shall be in the form set out in the Acts of 1905, Chapter 51; shall be sealed with the Corporate Seal of the City and shall be signed by the Mayor and Treasurer of the said City and countersigned by the Clerk of the said City. The interest coupons attached to the said debentures shall be signed by the Mayor and City Treasurer, and their signaturers thereon may be printed, stamped or engraved.

The said debentures as to both principal and interest shall be payable at the option of the holder at the Royal Bank of Canada in Montreal, Toronto or New York.

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Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Harris and passed and recommended to City Council for approval.

SINKING FUNDS.

Controller Murphy requested that the City Solicitor submit in writing his opinion as to whether the Trustees of the Sinking Funds are justified in so tying up the accumulations of the Sinking Funds that they are not available to retire maturing bonds.

SUPERANNUATION EDWARD MEAGHER, CITY FOREMAN.

Read application Edward Meagher, a foreman in the Street Department, for superannuation.

Referred to Controller Murphy and the City Engineer for report.

MORRIS STREET CONCRETE SIDEWALK.

Read petition for a concrete sidewalk on the south side of Morris Street between LeMarchant Street and Dalhousie College.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CITY HOME BOOK AND BAKER.

Controller Halliday recommends the appointment of

Council ✓

Solicitor ✓

Cont-Murphy ✓
Engineer ✓

Engineer ✓

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John Ross, 37 LeMarchant Street, as cook and baker at the City Home.

Approved.

RAIN WATER LEADERS.

Controller Murphy calls attention to defective rain water leaders on buildings causing annoyance to passing pedestrians, particularly on Barrington Street.

Referred to the City Engineer to take such action as may be necessary.

CEMENT CONTRACT.

It is agreed to make a progress payment of \$561.34 to J. C. Calder on account of cement delivered.

CANADIAN PATRIOTIC FUND.

On the application of the Treasurer of the Canadian Patriotic Fund for a payment of the City's fourth instalment \$4,500.00 of the City's subscription, Controller McKeen reports verbally recommending that payment be made. Approved.

WATER BILL HEIRS CHAS. MCGUINN, 27 JAMES STREET.

Read water bill charged to heirs of Charles McGuinn, 27 James Street claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

HIGH COST OF LIVING - ORDER-IN-COUNCIL.

His Worship the Mayor submits a printed copy of an Order-in-Council passed at Ottawa on November 10th, 1916, with a view to prevent the undue enhancement of the cost of living.

Referred to the City Solicitor for report at next meeting as to the proper steps to be taken and the mode of procedure to be followed by the City to carry out the intention of the Order, and to prepare and submit such blank forms and notices as may be necessary.

Council ✓

Engineer ✓

City works ✓

City Treasurer ✓

Engineer ✓

Solicitor ✓

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Clk of Council ✓

The City Clerk is instructed to telegraph to Ottawa for printed copies of the Order.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin.

P. F. Martin
MAYOR.

L. E. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.

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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.

Sinking Fund Investments.
Water Supply Willow Park.
Fire Escapes.
Electric Wire Poles.
Bell Street Paving - S. J. Hiseler.
Contract for Special Castings.
War - Protection of City's Water Supply.
Walnut Street Sewer.
Witness Fees in Liquor Prosecutions.
German Manufactured Goods Exhibit.
City Lot, School Street.
Bell Oat and Grain Crusher.
Accounts City Health Board.
Building Act .

SINKING FUND INVESTMENTS.

Read opinion City Solicitor re Sinking Fund Investments, as follows:-

Halifax, November 22nd, 1916.

Secretary Board of Control.
Dear Sir:-

If our Sinking Funds were separate for each loan there might be some obligation on the Trustees to maintain them in such a position as to be immediately available for the retirement of the loan at maturity. But such is not the case with our Sinking Fund, which is a general one, made up of the amounts required to be raised in addition to each loan, and also of the general items specified in Section 356. As our Sinking Fund was not established until after the City debt had amounted to a considerable sum, the miscellaneous items are necessary to ultimately provide a sinking fund for this old indebtedness.

The obligation of the Trustees as to investment is set out in Section 360. It might be extremely difficult for the Trustees to retain a large amount requisite to meet a heavy loan at maturity, and if kept on deposit in place of being invested, might result in considerable loss of interest. Nor do I see that from a business point of view any gain would be effected, as the City's indebtedness would be equally reduced whether the old loan was paid off at maturity or the investment made in City debentures, which would automatically expire at maturity.

F. H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

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WATER SUPPLY WILLOW PARK:

C. S. Pickford appeared before the Board, again complaining of lack of water supply at his residence, Willow Park.

His Worship the Mayor stated that the supply in his own house on Windsor Street was poor yesterday, and again this morning.

The City Engineer stated that these were the first complaints he had had recently, that there should be a fair supply at Willow Park, and that there is ten feet of water in the reservoir. He would investigate the trouble immediately.

Mr. Pickford asked that the high service and low service systems be absolutely disconnected, so that water from the high service will not be used to supply districts which should be served by the low service system.

In answer to questions, the City Engineer stated that the remedy for the complaint has frequently been pointed out, viz.- the metering of the low service, and a pumping station for the pumping of water from the low service to the reservoir.

The Engineer is instructed to cut off the water now being let into the low service from the high service, and to report at Thursday's meeting.

FIRE ESCAPES.

Read opinion City Solicitor re fire escapes as follows:-

Halifax, November 21st, 1916.

Secretary Board of Control.
Dear Sir:-

In reply to your request for a statement as to the powers of the Board in cases in which owners of buildings neglect to obey orders for installation of fire escapes, I would say that by Section 760 of the Charter the Board of Control is constituted the Board of Fire

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Escapes for the City of Halifax. The duties and powers of the Board in that capacity are set out in Chapter 90 of the Revised Statutes, which appears to give ample power to the Board to enforce compliance with its orders. In particular I would refer you to Section 20 which provides penalties for non-compliance.

F. H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

The Solicitor is instructed to obtain from Controller Halliday a list of properties at which fire escapes have been ordered and not placed, and to notify them in writing that unless the orders of the Board are carried out, action will be taken.

ELECTRIC WIRE POLES.

Read opinion City Solicitor re electric wire poles as follows:-

Halifax, November 24th, 1916.

Secretary Board of Control.
Dear Sir:-

The existing short term contract with the Halifax Electric Tramway Company contains no provision for the acquisition by the City of the Company's poles at the completion of the contract. There was such a term in the old five year contract, but it was very obscure, and the attempt to enforce it threatened to involve the City in a troublesome lawsuit, and it was not inserted in the short term renewals.

At the present time the City has extensive powers to use the poles of any company under the Pole and Wire Ordinance. The sections relating to this matter begin at No. 42 and under those sections powers are conferred upon one company to use the poles of another upon terms settled by the City Engineer.

The Halifax Power Company has also power by legislation to erect poles and an agreement respecting the same was entered into by the City with the Company.

F. H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

Filed.

BELL STREET PAVING - G. J. HISELER.

Read opinion City Solicitor re G. J. Hiseler's application for relief from payment of interest on his share of cost of paving Bell Street, as follows:-

Halifax, November 23rd, 1916.

Secretary Board of Control.
Dear Sir:-

I am of opinion that the Board of Control

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has no power to relieve Mr. Hiseler of payment of interest on his share of the cost of Bell Street paving. Mr. Hiseler's claim is based on the ground that the paving is of no value to him, but the Statute imposing the liability makes no such discrimination, but imposes the liability equally on all owners of abutting property. If any such discriminations were taken into account in paving, they would require to be equally taken into account in respect to sewerage, sidewalks, and other betterment charges, and the confusion and loss to the City would be endless.

*Called
Hiseler
S.D.*

F. H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

A copy of the opinion is ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Hiseler.

CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL CASTINGS.

Read report Acting City Engineer that he has been unable to obtain from the Dartmouth Foundry Co. supply of special castings under their contract with the City.

Engineer

The City Engineer is requested to ask representatives of the Foundry Co. to appear before the Board on Thursday to discuss their reasons for not supplying the castings, under their contract.

WAR - PROTECTION OF CITY'S WATER SUPPLY.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that the City Engineer had reported it had come to his knowledge that the Military Authorities propose to remove the Guards protecting the City's water supply at the Lakes, and main pipes. The Engineer had written to the General Officer Commanding requesting that the Guards be not removed, also that he had himself written to General Benson and to Hon. F. B. McCurdy, at Ottawa. His Worship submitted the following reply to his communication:-

Headquarters -
Halifax, N. S.,
27th November, 1916

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

Sir:-

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 25th November, 1916, to the General Officer Commanding Military District No. 6 re the withdrawal of troops from protection of the Halifax water supply and to

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state that such action is being taken in consequence of instructions to this effect having been received from Militia Headquarters, Ottawa.

A. N. Jones, Major,
General Staff Officer,
Mil. District No. 6.

Filed.

WALNUT STREET SEWER.

Read petition for sewer Walnut Street, near Coburg Road.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WITNESS FEES IN LIQUOR PROSECUTIONS.

Read opinion City Solicitor re witness fees in liquor prosecutions, as follows:-

Halifax, November 7th, 1916.

Secretary Board of Control.
Dear Sir:-

Section 31 of Chapter 14 of the Acts of 1915, provides that all fines and penalties under the N. S. Temperance Act shall be paid into the Treasury of the Municipality in which the offence in respect to which the fine or penalty was imposed, was committed. It would appear to follow that the costs of obtaining the conviction resulting in the fine are properly payable out of the moneys received from the fines.

Some limit should obviously be placed on the amounts so paid, and it should not be left entirely to the discretion or want of discretion of the prosecutor. The course I formerly recommended, and which I understand has worked successfully, is that the witness fees should be paid only on the certificate of the Magistrate, that the witness was a necessary or proper one for the prosecution.

F. H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

Approved, and the fees amounting to \$29.40, ordered to be paid.

GERMAN MANUFACTURED GOODS EXHIBIT.

E. A. Saunders, Secretary of the Board of Trade, informed the Board that the exhibition of German manufactured goods loaned by the British Government to the Canadian Government would reach Halifax about the first of January next, and asked that the Market Building be placed at disposal for housing it. The exhibit would occupy about 6,000 sq. ft. of space, and would be on

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*Engineer ✓
SA Saunders ✓*

view in Halifax for three days. The idea is to place the goods before Canadian manufacturers, so that they would be in a position to manufacture similar goods, not only during but after the war.

The application is unanimously approved.

CITY LOT, SCHOOL STREET.

*A Frizzell ✓
Engineer ✓*

Read inquiry A. Frizzell, 37 Duffus Street, as to which price at the City will sell a building lot on School Street owned by the City.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

BELL OAT AND GRAIN CRUSHER.

*Engineer ✓
Cont. Halliday ✓*

Read letter The Twin City and Oil Company re Bell Oat and Grain Crusher.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Controller Halliday is requested to obtain a report from the Chief of the Fire Department on the results of the crusher now on trial in the Fire Department.

BUILDING ACT.

Engineer ✓

The City Engineer is instructed to call a meeting for some day early next week of the sub-committee on revision of the Building Laws, appointed August 17th, 1916, consisting of the City Engineer, the Chief of the Fire Department, E. J. Fahie, R. V. Harris and Henry Roper.

ACCOUNTS CITY HEALTH BOARD.

The following accounts chargeable to the City Health Board are passed for payment, including account, \$12.00, for purchase of carfares for Health Inspectors -

Council

Halifax Wet Laundry	Washing	4.80
T.H. & W.T. Francis	table cloths	5.70
Hohn Starr, Son & Co.	Battery	.35
Morton & Cragg	Hardware	4.85
Longard Bros.	Repairs to furnace	33.40
E.W. Crease	Groceries	15.30
Carfares for Inspectors		12.00
		<u>\$76.40</u>

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

L. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

MAYOR.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Death of Vivian J. Martin, Son of His Worship the Mayor.
Royal Colonial Institute - Halifax Directory.
Public School Estimates, 1917.
Incinerator Engineer.
Prince Street Street Line - Moir's Ltd.
Upper Water Street - Repairing Fire Damage at Property of John Janigan.
Church Street Sidewalk.
Sackville Street Sidewalk.
Young Street (East) Sidewalk.
Contract for Special Castings.
Water Supply Willow Park.
Young Street School Site Building Lots.
Tenders for Loan of \$130,000.00.
Automobile Hack License - Fred Parsons.
Lilac Street - Morris Property.

DEATH OF VIVIAN J. MARTIN, SON OF HIS WORSHIP THE
MAYOR.

The following resolution is unanimously adopted by the Board:-

RESOLVED that the Board of Control deeply regrets the loss sustained by His Worship the Mayor in the death of his son, and tenders its sincere sympathy to His Worship and the members of his family.

The City Clerk is instructed to request the members of the City Council to attend the funeral, which takes place tomorrow morning at 9.30 o'clock.

ROYAL COLONIAL INSTITUTE - HALIFAX DIRECTORY.

Read request of Royal Colonial Institute, London, for a copy of the latest directory of Halifax.

The City Clerk is instructed to comply with the request.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS ESTIMATES, 1917.

Read estimates for Public Schools for the year 1917, as follows:-

Mayor ✓

Members ✓
Council

City Clerk ✓

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position of Engineer of the Incinerator at present. I have filed Mr. Hazell's application in case there should be a vacancy in the future.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

J B Hazell ✓

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Hazell.

PRINCE STREET STREET LINE - MOIR'S LIMITED.

Engineer ✓

Read letter Moir's Ltd. re street line Prince Street, at their stables.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

UPPER WATER STREET - REPAIRING FIRE DAMAGE AT PROPERTY OF JOHN JANIGAN.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
November 29th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control that I have inspected the premises # on the west side of Water Street belonging to John Janigan, and find that under the Building Act, Mr. Janigan's plans cannot be approved. It will be necessary for him, if he intends to rebuild, to erect either a first or second class building on this site.

Now that the debris from the fire has been cleared away, the accuracy of the reports made last year when Mr. Webster applied for a permit to repair the building on this site, has been fully confirmed.

As some of the members of your Board visited the site with me, they are familiar with the conditions, so I do not think it necessary to go into a detailed description.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

*Letter to Janigan ✓
Engineer ✓*

The Secretary is instructed to inform Mr. Janigan that the plans submitted by him are not satisfactory to the City Engineer.

CHURCH STREET SIDEWALK.

Engineer ✓

Read petition for a concrete sidewalk on the east side of Church Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

SACKVILLE STREET SIDEWALK.

Controller Halliday requested a report from the

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City Engineer as to the advisability and cost of constructing a concrete sidewalk on Sackville Street, from South Park Street to Summer Street, on either the north or south side.

Engineer ✓

YOUNG STREET (EAST) SIDEWALK.

Controller Harris requested a report from the City Engineer as to the advisability and cost of laying a concrete sidewalk on the north side of East Young Street.

Engineer ✓

CONTRACT FOR SPECIAL CASTINGS.

Henry W. Wilson, of the Dartmouth Iron Foundry Co., in response to request, appeared before the Board in respect to the complaint of the City Engineer that the Company has not been complying with its contract to furnish castings to the City. Mr. Wilson stated that they had turned out all work for which they had written orders; some telephone calls from Mr. McLean, the City's Foreman, have not been filled. He admitted not having furnished a reply to the City Engineer's written complaint of September last. His Company is now prepared to complete its contract at the tender prices.

James Hillis, of Hillis & Sons, Ltd., stated he was present because he was aware that the matter would be before the Board this morning. Mr. Hillis stated that the City inspectors have been too easy with the contractors in respect to castings. The Dartmouth Foundry Co. have neither the facilities nor the stock to make clean castings, and the City has been taking castings not up to the specification.

Engineer ✓

The Acting City Engineer stated that the castings as received are inspected and that no complaints had been made to him of defective workmanship or materials.

Mr. Hillis complained that the Company use no pig-iron in its castings because they had none, and

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that the castings are almost impossible to bore.

The City Engineer is instructed to take particular care to see that castings supplied are inspected, and that the contract is properly carried out.

Mr. Wilson claimed that he has iron as good as pig iron, and that he also has some pig iron.

The matter is referred to the City Engineer for investigation and for report at an early date.

WATER SUPPLY WILLOW PARK.

C. S. Pickford again appeared before the Board, claiming that the water supply at Willow Park is no better than since his last appearance before the Board.

The Acting City Engineer stated that he had disconnected the high service from the low service on Spring Garden Road west from Carleton Street, and that he has to use great precaution in making changes in the present system because of fire risk. He expected that by tomorrow there may be improvement in the supply at Willow Park. Some variation at Willow Park is due to the fact that he is trying to fill the reservoir at night time.

The Board again discussed the metering of the low service and the installation of a pumping plant.

YOUNG STREET SCHOOL SITE BUILDING LOTS.

Read letter George Wamboldt, 527 Gottingen Street, renewing his offer to purchase lot #9 fronting on Kaye Street, of the Young Street School site.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

TENDERS FOR LOAN OF \$130,000.00.

It is decided to hold a special meeting of the Board at 12 o'clock noon, on Monday, to receive and open tenders for loan of \$130,000.00 towards redemption of Consolidated Fund Debentures 1880, due January 1st, 1917, and \$135,000 to redeem School Debentures, 1892, due January 1st, 1917,

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*BofC ✓
Council ✓*

and to call a meeting of the City Council for Tuesday, December 5th, at 4 o'clock, to consider the recommendations of the Board in respect to the same.

AUTOMOBILE HACK LICENSE - FRED PARSONS.

*Cont. Harris ✓
Chief of Police ✓
Asst. City Clerk ✓*

Fred Parsons appeared before the Board stating that he is the owner of three automobiles, two of which were licensed as cabs. One of those licensed was destroyed, and he desired that the license for that automobile be transferred to the third one which he owns.

Approved, providing the automobile passes inspection by Controller Harris and the Cab Inspector.

LILAC STREET - MORRIS PROPERTY.

Read report Acting City Engineer on letter from John Morris, submitted November 2nd, 1916, re property on Lilac Street, as follows:-

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

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control covering a letter from John Morris, asking that the City take over a portion of his property required for the extension of Preston Street and Payzant Street. These streets are laid down on the Official City Plan, run through the property of Mr. Morris on the east side of Lilac Street.

Mr. Morris's property has an area of 13358 square feet, which at present is divided into two parts. On the south part, having a frontage of 65' 4", and a depth of 100', there is a double house. The City will eventually require 23' 9" of this part or an area of 2875 square ft. The assessed value of the land in the whole property is \$1900, or at the rate of approximately 14¢ per sq. ft. For this part of the property Mr. Morris asks \$2000, or at the rate of nearly 30¢ a sq. ft.

There is a portion at the corner of Preston and Payzant Streets, which will not be required by the City for street purposes, measuring 31' x 40', with an area of 1240 sq. ft. Mr. Morris in his letter says that he would like to reserve this piece for himself and pay at the same rate as the City pays him for the balance of the lot. At his own figure, this would amount to \$372, which would leave the net amount asked by Mr. Morris for that portion of his property which is at present vacant, \$1628.

The 15-inch main encircling the high service is completed with the exception of about 80 feet on Payzant St.

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and 80 feet on Preston Street, which was unable to be laid as we did not own the property now under discussion, and which it is advisable to have completed to reap the full benefit from the main.

The price asked by Mr. Morris is over twice the assessed value. I am attaching a plan #3668, showing the whole of the property and the proposed new street line.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Engineer

Referred back to the City Engineer for further report as to the value of the property and as to City water pipe extension through Mr. Morris' property.

The Board adjourned.

H. S. Colwell

H. S. Colwell,

DEPUTY MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 4th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this day at 12.05 o'clock ;
present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers McKeen,
Halliday, Harris and Murphy.

TENDERS FOR LOAN OF \$265,000.00

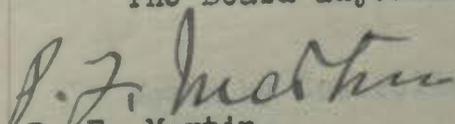
Agreeably to advertisement in the newspapers
tenders were received and opened for a loan to redeem
\$183,000.00 Consolidated Fund Debentures 1880 falling
due January 1st, 1917, less \$53,000.00 provided out
of General Sinking Fund and \$135,000.00 Public School
Debentures 1892 maturing January 1st, 1917.

The tenders received were from the following:-

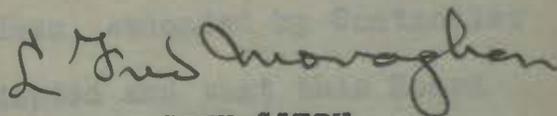
R. C. Matthews & Co., Toronto; Brent Noxon &
Co., Toronto; A. E. Ames & Co., and J. C. Mackintosh
& Co., Halifax; Harris, Forbes & Co., Montreal;
Eastern Securities Co., Ltd., Halifax; F. B. McCurdy
& Co., Halifax; The Nova Scotia Trust Co., Halifax;
Aemilius Jarvis & Co., Toronto; A. H. Martens & Co.,
Toronto; Nesbitt, Thompson & Co., Ltd., Montreal;
R. M. Grant & Co., Boston, Mass.

The tenders are referred to Controller McKeen
and the City Treasurer for report to the Board at a
meeting to be held at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The Board adjourned.

*Cont. McKeen
City Treasurer*

P. F. Martin.

MAYOR.



CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this afternoon at 3 o'clock agreeably to adjournment; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

TENDERS FOR LOAN OF \$265,000.00

Read report Controller McKeen and City Treasurer re tenders for loan of \$265,000.00 as follows:-

Office of City Treasurer,
December 4th, 1916.

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

Attached please find tenders as submitted to us.

They are as follows:-

R. C. Matthews & Co.	Toronto	\$135000	96.85
Brent Noxon & Co.	"	265000	96.86
A.E. Ames & Co and J.C. Mackintosh & Co.	Halifax	265000	97.13
Harris Forbes & Co.	Boston	265000	97.645
Eastern Securities Co.	Halifax	265000	98.02
F.B. McCurdy & Co.	"	265000	98.1025
Nova Scotia Trust Co.	"	135000 or 130000	98.26
Aemilius Jarvis & Co.	Toronto	265000	98.327
A.H. Martens & Co.	"	130000	98.57
Nesbitt Thompson & Co.	Montreal	130000	98.779
R. M. Grant & Co.	Boston	265000	98.5963

The acceptance of R. M. Grant & Co's tender is recommended.

J. McKeen,
James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Harris that the report be adopted and that this Board recommend to the City Council the acceptance of the tender of R. M. Grant & Co., Boston, for the whole amount of \$265,000.00 at 98.5963 of par. Motion passed.

The following resolution for submission to the City Council is passed unanimously:-

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W H E R E A S R. M. Grant & Co., of Boston, Mass, have offered to purchase \$269,000.00 of City Debentures sufficient to produce the sum of \$265,224 at the price of 98.5963, together with any accrued interest that may arise from the first day of January, 1917;

A N D W H E R E A S the Board of Control have recommended to the City Council the acceptance of the said offer of R. M. Grant & Co., which recommendation has been by resolution adopted by the City Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the said sum of \$265,224 including expenses of loan, be borrowed for the purposes recited, vix.- \$130,000 to retire City Debentures falling due January 1st, 1917 and \$135,000 to retire School Debentures falling due January 1st, 1917, together with \$224 loan expenses, and that Debentures \$269,000, a sum sufficient to yield the sum of \$265,224 be delivered to the said R. M. Grant & Co., the said Debentures to be dated the first day of January, 1917, and to be repayable on the first day of January, 1951, and to bear interest at the rate of five per cent per annum.

Council ✓

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin,

MAYOR.

L. Fred Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

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COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 5th, 1916.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Plumbing in Dwelling Houses under Health Rules.
Chestnut Street Sewer and Water Extension.
St. Patrick's Boys' School.
City Market Building.
Fire Department.
City Prison - Electric Wires.
Disturbance at Building 83 Edinburg Street.
War - Lights Out.
Dilapidated Building in Rear of St. Patrick's Girls' School.
High Cost of Living.
Acting Chief Fire Department.
South Street and Oxford Street Water Extension.
Young Street School Site Building Lots.
Public Pump Lady Hammond Road.
Public Abattoir.
Public Comfort Station.
Sunday Selling in Small Shops.
Superannuation of Edward Meagher.
Superannuation John E. Kemp.
Albemarle Street - Changing Name.
Accounts.

PLUMBING IN DWELLING HOUSES UNDER HEALTH RULES.

Read communications from the City Health Board reporting that Mrs Bridget Cullymore, owner of premises 16, 18, 20 May Street had neglected to comply with the orders of the Board to instal sanitary plumbing in said premises and requesting the Board of Control to take action to have the necessary work done in accordance with Section 864 of the City Charter.

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

*Engineer ✓
Health Board ✓*

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CHESTNUT STREET SEWER AND WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for sewer and water extension Chestnut Street, south of Jubilee Road.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

ST. PATRICK'S BOYS' SCHOOL.

Read letter Board of School Commissioners re site for new St. Patrick's Boys' School as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
December 1st, 1916.

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

The Board of School Commissioners at its meeting on Monday, 27th ult. unanimously adopted the following resolution:-

"WHEREAS, this Board requires the sum of Thirty Thousand one hundred and twenty dollars (\$30,120.), for the purchase of a site for a school building, namely St. Patrick's Boys' School,

RESOLVED, that application be made to the Governor in Council for an order directing the City of Halifax to issue its debentures or stock sufficient to produce the amount so required, and for an order approving an application by the School Board to the Board of Control and City Council of the City of Halifax, for the expropriation, under the provisions of Sec. 34, cap. 36, Acts 1915, of so much of the said land as is the property of the Estate of James (?) Hills, the same not being obtainable by purchase."

Council

S. J. Wilson,
Secretary.

Approved.

CITY MARKET BUILDING.

Read report City Health Board and report Acting City Engineer re City Market building as follows:-

City Health Board Office,
December 2nd, 1916.

The Mayor and Members
Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I have been directed by the City Health Board to direct your attention to the fact that the floor of the city market building is not sanitary. The dust from the floor fills the atmosphere and rededing covers the offerings of the farmers. This, the Board regards as unsanitary. In bringing this matter to the attention of the Health Board the Chairman said that a local physician told him that he would rather buy under the

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previous conditions than prevailing conditions as the chances against contamination were not so great as at present.

The Board desires that steps be taken to remedy the conditions complained of.

John A. Watters,
Secretary.

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City Engineer's Office,
December 4th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir,

I beg to submit herewith correspondence with Mr. Dumaresq, the architect of the Market Building, in connection with finishing the floor in accordance with the specification and contract, which explains itself.

I have had both verbal and written communications with the architect for the past four months or more, trying to get this matter settled, but apparently we are no nearer the solution today than we were some time ago.

I notice that at the last meeting of the Board of Health, a statement was made that the dust from the floor was as bad as that from the street when the goods were exposed in the latter. This is not in accordance with the facts, as the dust has been kept down on the floor on Market days by sprinkling and otherwise.

I would suggest that the matter be referred to the City Solicitor for a definite report as to just what steps should be taken by the City to obtain redress and a remedy of the existing conditions.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

City Engineer's Office,
October 24th, 1916.

S. P. Dumaresq, Esq.,
St. Paul Bldg.

Dear Sir,

I have again to write you with reference to the completion of the contract for the Market Building. I have written several times re this matter, but no reply has yet been received, and in the meantime the state of the floor is steadily going from bad to worse. It appears to me that it is incumbent upon you either to at once take steps yourself to compel the contractor to put the floor in proper condition, or to inform me that you are unable to do so, in which case I may take the matter up with the City Solicitor with a view to enforcement of our legal rights. I think that at least you should inform us formally what steps you have taken, what steps you propose to take and what steps you consider yourself able to take and to assist the City in every way in bringing this troublesome matter to a conclusion. If it

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appears that you are unable to compel the performace by the contractor of his duty, the sooner the City is aware of this fact, the better, so that it can protect itself before conditions become worse.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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Halifax, October 26th.

Mr. H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer, Halifax.
Dear Sir,-

This is to acknowledge your favor of the 24th inst. and in reply I beg to say upon your reQUEST some time ago, I took the matter of the Market floor up with the contractors, advising them that it was the wish of the City that the floor be made good at once. To this we received no reply; again we approached them, giving them to understand that if the work was not undertken immediately, we would take advantage of the clause in the specification which gives us power to do the work, charging the cost of the same to the contractor. After receiving no response from the contractors to this communication, we went before the Board of Control and asked their permission to go ahead and remedy the floor ourselves.

The matter of how the floor should be fixed and what it should be fixed with was discussed at that time, the Board asking me to consider the matter and report to them as to the best material to be used to replace the concrete there now. Since that time, I have never ceased to pursue the subject matter and beg to inform you that within the next few days I will be able to lay before you and the Board prices for a very fine material, which I understand is a composition of asphalt as well as a new concrete floor, laid with Master Builders compound.

You will therefore see that we are by no means negligent of our duties and realize fully that the floor should be remedied and that we have the power to do so, regardless of the action of the contractors, and beg to inform you that it is our determination to see that this floor is given over to the City in first-class condition at as early a date as possible.

Yours truly,
(Sgd.) Sydney P. Dumaresq.

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

Sydney P. Dumaresq, Esq.,
St. Paul Building, City.
Dear Sir,-

I have received your letter of 26th inst., and am obliged for the information. You can readily understand that we are very anxious to get this matter closed up, as we have had a certain amount of difficulty in making the use of the new Market Building popular and are trying our best to remove any cause of complaint from either the Market people or their patrons.

When you make up your mind as to the material you propose to use, I shall be very glad if you will let me know. In looking over a trade magazine today, I noticed an advertisement for the J-M Mastic Flooring. Like all

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other advertisements, its claims are set forth in very glowing colors. I do not know whether you have had any experience with this or not, I, personally, have not.

Yours faithfully,
(Sgd.) H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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November 24th, 1916.

Mr. H. W. Johnston,
Asst. City Engineer,
Halifax.

Dear Sir,-

In reply to your enquiry respecting the Market floor; I beg to say that we have not yet received the quotation from Reed & Co., of Montreal, who are submitting a tender for the asphalt floor.

It is now some time since we gave them all the particulars necessary. About two weeks ago they sent their representative in to inform us that they would not undertake this work this fall, but we urged for a price so that we would be able to compare the cost of the same with a tender, which we received a few days ago for putting down a new concrete floor, using Master Builders compound for a hardener. Just as soon as we receive the quotation for the asphalt, we will get in communication with you.

Yours truly,
(Sgd.) Sydney P. Dumaresq.

Solicitor

Referred to the City Solicitor for a definite report as to what steps should be taken by the City to remedy existing conditions.

FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read report Chief Fire Department for November as follows:-

Office of Chief Fire Dept.
December 5th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

Council ✓

I beg leave to make the following report:-

1. There have been 15 alarms of fire during the month of November from the following causes:- tar pot 1; chimneys 5; unknown 6; cigar 1; false 1; thawing water 1.

2.	Insurance at risk	\$47,000.00	
	" losses		\$1,436.00
	Losses without insurance		200.00
	Total.....		\$1,636.00

P. J. Broderick,
Chief Fire Department.

Referred to the City Council for its information.

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CITY PRISON - ELECTRIC WIRES.

Read report Governor City Prison for the month of November containing the following clause :-

" I would also report on the necessity of the removal of telephone lines and poles, also Electric wires which pass through the Prison yard and leading also through the farm to points elsewhere.

I would state in repairing the said lines the workmen are obliged to climb on the roof of some of the Prison buildings, which is very unsatisfactory, and also destroy much farm produce which cannot be avoided. I would therefore respectfully request, at this convenient season the said lines be removed as under present conditions said wires are a source of inconvenience and danger."

George Grant.

The Secretary is instructed to write the Telephone Co. and the Tramway Co., requesting them for report as to removal of their wires from the Prison buildings.

DISTURBANCE AT BUILDING 83 EDINBURG STREET.

Controller Harris submits petition for suppression of disturbance by occupants of building 83 Edinburg Street and reports that in his opinion the premises are insanitary.

Referred to the City Health Board for further inspection and for investigation as to sanitary conditions.

WAR - LIGHTS OUT.

His Worship the Mayor submits for the information of the Board the attached communications from the Military Authorities re lighting regulations:-

Halifax, N. S.,
December 1st, 1916.

From. The General Staff Officer,
Military District No 6.
To. His Worship - The Mayor of Halifax,
Nova Scotia.

Street and private lights.
Visible from Water.

Sir,-

I have the honour by direction to again ask your co-operation with Naval and Military Authorities in the enforcing of the recent regulations regarding the marginally noted subject.

Of late great laxity has existed regarding this matter

*Telephone Co
Tram Co*

*Cont. Harris ✓
Health Board ✓*

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and I am sorry to state that an apparent disinclination on the part of the public to co-operate with the authorities. It is not our wish to in any way interfere with the right of citizens, but as an emergency does exist it is absolutely necessary from a defensive point of view that the regulations should be strictly adhered to.

The question of the desirability of openly informing the Public of the existing emergency and the necessity of enforcing the regulations has been referred to the Authorities but as yet no answer has been received. In the meantime may I ask that you will issue an appeal to the Public to co-operate in every way possible with the Naval and Military Authorities.

The attached draft is a suggested notice as suitable for publication.

As regards the Street Lights, at present most of the black paint has disappeared; and I am therefore to request that you will instruct the proper persons to have all lights repainted as soon as possible.

Should you desire to be further informed on any points I should be very glad to discuss the matter with you.

A. N. Jones,
Major,
General Staff Officer,
Mil. Dist. No. 6.

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LIGHTS OUT.

Notice to Residents of Halifax - Dartmouth
and surrounding Districts.

Having been asked by the Military Authorities to issue an appeal for help from the General Public in the matter of enforcing the lighting regulations I now request the cooperation of all parties in the keeping of lights which are visible from the Water (meaning Halifax Harbor and approaches and Bedford Basin) shaded in such a way as to make them absolutely invisible from the Water.

Keepers of Shops, Theatres and Hotels are particularly asked not to make a display of light throwing a ray into the sky or on to the Street and from thence into the sky.

All citizens are earnestly asked to cooperate in every way possible with the Authorities .

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His Worship said that the communications were immediately called to the attention of the Halifax Electric Tramway Company and the purport of same duly advertised in the newspapers. Approved.

His Worship is authorized to communicate with the

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Major ✓
Military Authorities requesting that reasonable concessions be allowed in respect to the lighting of the White Way District during the Christmas season.

DILAPIDATED BUILDING - REAR OF ST. PATRICK'S

GIRLS' SCHOOL.

Read letter Deputy Mayor Colwell as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
December 5th, 1916.

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

Gentlemen:-

It was brought to my notice yesterday that an old building in the rear of St. Patrick's Girls' High School is in a dilapidated condition. I immediately investigated and it is in my humble opinion in a dangerous state. The south side is liable to fall out, and if it should do so at a time when pupils are near, a very serious accident may result.

Engineer ✓
As this is an urgent matter I trust you may deal with it as quickly as possible.

H. S. Colwell.

Referred to the City Engineer for immediate attention.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Read opinion City Solicitor re Order-in-Council respecting the high cost of living as follows:-

Office of City Solicitor,
December 4th, 1916.

Secretary Board of Control.
Dear Sir:-

The only power which the Council or the Board of Control has under the Order in Council, is under Sec. 5 which provides that when the Council has determined that the cost of necessity of life is excessive, the Council may make enquiry with a view to ascertaining the cause or any probable remedy.

It will be observed that under this it is not the cause of the excessive cost of all necessities of life that is enquired into, but that one or more particular necessities must be selected. When the resolution of the Council determining its opinion as to the excessive cost of these has been passed, enquiries can be made, but obviously the form or nature of the enquiries and the persons from whom they are to be made must depend upon the particular article selected.

F. H. Bell,
City Solicitor.

A copy of the opinion is ordered to be forwarded to

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the Secretary of the Trades and Labor Council with a request that a small committee of that body attend at the Mayor's Office tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock and to be prepared if possible to name specific instances of undue charges for necessaries of life.

ACTING CHIEF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Chief Engineer Edward Condon is appointed Acting Chief of the Fire Department during the illness of Chief Broderick.

SOUTH STREET AND OXFORD STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water extension corner South and Oxford Streets.

Referred to the City Solicitor for his opinion.

YOUNG STREET SCHOOL SITE BUILDING LOTS.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Young Street School site building lots, as follows:-

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

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir,-

I beg to report on the accompanying offer of Geo. Wambolt to pay \$325 for lot #9 of the Young Street School site that this lot is the westerly lot of the property facing on Kaye Street. The area of the lot is 3410 square feet. This, at 9½¢ a square foot, would amount to \$323.95. This is about the rate that has been paid by the previous purchasers of the lots in this property.

The four lots already sold were purchased by two persons who bought two lots each, one in rear of the other, for \$650. In Mr Flavin's case he offered \$350 for the lot fronting on Kaye Street and \$300 for the lot on Young Street. However, in my opinion the lots on one street are as valuable as those on the other and I would recommend that Mr Wambolt's offer of \$325. for lot #9 be accepted.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

At the request of Controller Harris the matter is referred to Controller Harris and the City Engineer for report as to the advisability of extending Needham Street through said property instead of selling the building lots.

Trades and Labor
Council ✓

E. Condon ✓
Act. Halliday ✓
Council ✓

Solicitor ✓

Cont. Harris ✓
Engineer ✓

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PUBLIC PUMP LADY HAMMOND ROAD.

Controller Harris informs the Board that the pump at the public well Lady Hammond Road near Longard Road is out of order.

Engineer

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

PUBLIC ABATTOIR.

The Acting City Engineer being asked if he is ready to report on amended plans and specifications of proposed public abattoir states he has not yet received the same from Mr Barrett.

W E Barrett

The Secretary is instructed to write W. E. Barrett, architect, requesting him to attend before the Board at 10.30 o'clock on Thursday morning 7th instant with the plans whether the same are completed or still unfinished.

PUBLIC COMFORT STATION.

Read report Acting City Engineer re public comfort station, as follows:-

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

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir-

I beg to report on the tenders received for the construction of a comfort station at the Parade, that bids were received from two firms, as follows:-

	Plan #1	Plan # 2
Rhodes, Curry Co.	\$19,675	\$17,118
Falconer & McDonald	20,900	16,500

Plan #1 was for the location at the south-east corner of the Parade and Plan #2 for the one at the south of the shelter near the north end of the Parade.

The above tenders would indicate that in addition to any advantages the site at the north end of the Parade may possess, it also has the merit of being cheaper. The figures, however, are very much higher than estimated. The specifications and plans called for the highest class of construction, finish and fixtures. The amount of money at our disposal is about \$10,700.

I have had a revised plan prepared, altering the interior construction and finish, and reducing the number of fixtures, leaving the area the same so that when found necessary or advisable in the future, the work can be

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Completed in accordance with the original design. The main changes in the finish are altering the tile floors and walls to concrete and plaster and changing the interior and partition walls of terra cotta and brick to Parabar. Whenever in the future deemed advisable, the tiling could be laid on top of the proposed finish.

I would recommend that tenders be called for on the revised plan and specification, It is a matter for the Board to decide whether they ask only the two firms who tendered originally to tender on the amended plans and specifications, or to throw it open again.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Engineer ↓
The City Engineer is instructed to ask for new tenders on the amended specifications from the original tenderers, viz.- Rhodes, Curry & Co., and Falconer & McDonald and to submit the same to the Board.

SUNDAY SELLING IN SMALL SHOPS.

A delegation from the Lord's Day Alliance and the Retail Merchants' Association appeared before the Board complaining of violations of the Lord's Day Observance^{Act} by Sunday selling in small shops.

The Board is addressed by Rev. Archdeacon Armitage and Dr. Rochester, representing the Lord's Day Alliance, by Mr Doyle and G. A. Cook, representing the Retail Merchants' Association. All strongly urging enforcement of the Act.

Joseph Burke, a citizen, addressed the Board in opposition to the views of the delegation.

The Acting Chief of Police informed the meeting that he has had implicit instructions to suppress Sunday selling; he had never had complaints ^{of} ~~to~~ grocery stores selling on Sunday. In a particular case he had applied to the Attorney General for leave to prosecute but had not received authority to do so.

SUPERANNUATION OF EDWARD MEAGHER.

Cont. Mr. Keen
Read reports Acting City Engineer and the City Treasurer re superannuation of Edward Meagher.

Referred to Controller McKeen for report.

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SUPERANNUATION JOHN E. KEMP.

Engineer

The City Engineer is requested to submit a report at to the advisability of superannuating John E. Kemp, one of the Works Department Foremen.

ALBEMARLE STREET - CHANGING NAME.

Council

His Worship the Mayor suggests that the name of Albemarle Street be changed to Market Street and that the suggestion be referred to the City Council for consideration. Approved.

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts chargeable to various departments are recommended to the City Council for payment as follows:-
Health Board, \$88.37; City Prison, \$158.19 ; Fire Department, \$1002.88. -

Health Board.

Dept. Public Health	antitoxin	\$ 15.50
King Edward Stables	ambulance hire	23.78
Robinson Ltd	carriage	2.25
J.R. Burke	carfare	17.00
Telephone Co	service	16.14
E. W. Crease & Son	Oil, etc	8.00
T. C. Allen	Office requisites	5.70
		<u>\$88 .37</u>

City Prison.

J. J. Scriven & Son	Bread	19.18
E. W. Crease & Son	Groceries	39.20
W. A. Maling & Co.	Oxheads	8.45
G. C. Hartlen & Co.	Stew Beef	5.80
A. Wilson & Son	Salt Cod	4.50
Stairs Son & Morrow	Hardware	7.60
Robert Taylor Co., Ltd.	Boots, leather	17.85
Neil Fox	Harness Supplies	12.85
T. C. Allen & Co.	Books	2.05
Hillis & Son	Stove fittings	3.65
Rhodes, Curry Co	Lumber	22.35
Maritime Telephone Co.	Rental	4.60
Halifax Electric Tram. Co.	Current	4.86
Irwin & Sons	Drugs	5.25
		<u>\$158.19</u>

Fire Dept.

Wm. S. Munnis	Coats	63.00
W. & A. Moir	Fire Alarm box	52.60
A. & W. McKinlay	Book	5.00
Ungar's Laundry	Work	11 .66
S. C. Thompson	Forage	355.83
Wm. Stairs Son & Morrow	Hardware	5.40
Burns & Kelliher	Repairs	1.70
Canadian Rubber Co.	Hose	3.00
F. W. McNally	Repairs	6.55

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Fire Dept. (Continued).

Melvin & Co.	Hardware	1.10
Imperial Oil Co	Oil	4.90
Hillis & Sons	Cover	.75
A. J. McNutt Repair	Repairs	10.00
H. McFatridge	Veterinary Services	45.15
Alfred Shortt & Son	Insurance policy	5.56
Twin City Oil Co	Crusher	300.00
James Taylor	Repairs	9.35
Jas. Simmonds	Hardware	74.37
John McInnis & Son	Lumber	17.56
Andrew Grand	Oil	29.40
		<u>\$1002.88</u>

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin.

MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin

CITY CLERK.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

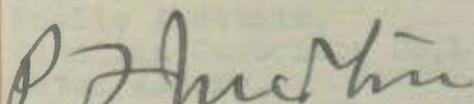
December ^{6th} ~~7th~~, 1916.

The Board of Control met this evening at 8 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor, Controller Halliday, and representatives of the Trades and Labor Council - Robt. Miller, Secretary, G. W. Harris and G. R. Scriven.

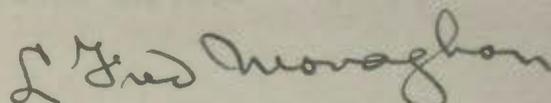
The matter of the high cost of living was discussed.

It was decided to hold another conference at the Mayor's Office on Tuesday evening, 12th inst., at 8 o'clock.

The Board adjourned.


P. F. Martin

MAYOR.



CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 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.

City Home Monthly Report.
Trees, Lorne Terrace.
War - Returned Soldiers' Recognition Cards.
Cash Statement City Collector for November.
Police Patrol Driver - Salary.
Cash Statement City Treasurer.
Coal Weighers.
Walnut Street Sewer.
Sewerage Western Slope of City.
War - Lights Out.
Injury to Horse and Waggon - A. P. Nolen.
Public Abattoir.
Canadian Carbonate Co. Ltd. - Water Supply.
Water Meters.
Uneven Concrete Sidewalks.
St. Patrick's Boys' School.
Police Department Salaries.
Disturbance in House 83 Edinburgh Street.
Thanks for Service of Steamboats at Fire.
Steam Fire Engine "Alexandra".
Accounts.

CITY HOME MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report City Home for the month of November.

Recommended to City Council.

TREES, LORNE TERRACE.

Read letter R. L. Power, Assistant Superintendent Public Gardens, recommending the cutting down of two dead trees, Lorne Terrace.

Referred to the City Engineer for attention.

WAR - RETURNED SOLDIERS' RECOGNITION CARDS.

The City Clerk submits accounts Imperial Publishing Co. for printing invitation cards/to attend public reception, \$13.15, and for printing public recognition cards for returned soldiers, \$61.85.

The same are passed for payment.

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CASH STATEMENT CITY COLLECTOR FOR NOVEMBER.

Read cash statement City Collector for the month of November, as follows:-

Office of City Collector,
December 6th, 1916.

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

Return of collections of taxes and water rates in City Collector's office for the month of November, 1916.

Taxes - 1911	\$243.77
1912	260.45
1913	538.53
1914	3723.05
1915	3698.64
1916	6144.74
Water Rates	17316.46
War Tax	135.80
Patriotic Fund	429.53
Interest	746.60
	<u>\$33,237.57.</u>

R. Theakston,
City Collector.

Referred to City Council for its information.

POLICE PATROL DRIVER - SALARY.

Read application Michael Lawless, Police Patrol driver, for an increase of pay.

Referred to Controller Harris and the Chief of Police.

CASH STATEMENT CITY TREASURER.

Read cash statement City Treasurer for the month of November.

Referred to City Council for its information.

COAL WEIGHERS.

Read report S. Cummins, Supervisor of Coal Weighers, recommending appointment of James O'Neill as a supernumerary coal weigher.

Read application James O'Neill, 51 South Park Street, for a position as supernumerary coal weigher.

Referred to Controller Harris for report.

WALNUT STREET SEWER.

Read report City Engineer recommending construction

Council ✓
Carl Harris ✓
Chief of Police ✓

Council ✓

Carl Harris ✓

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Council ✓
of a sewer in Walnut Street from Coburg Road northwardly.
Approved.

SEWERAGE WESTERN SLOPE OF THE CITY.

Read report Acting City Engineer re sewerage western slope of the city, covering plan and description of right of way for the North West Arm trunk sewer, as follows:-

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

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I have endeavored to make a contract for the right of way for the North West Arm sewer, so called, and have written to all the owners of land through which the sewer will pass, but have had only four replies fixing a definite sum, varying from \$3200.00 to a free grant of the rights required. The latter is from the Waegwoltic Club, who offer to give these rights without cost to the City, provided the work on the sewer through the Club property be done during the period between the 1st of October and the 1st of May; that the trees be preserved as far as possible; any damage to the property made good; manholes not placed in objectionable positions, and that no sewerage tax be assessed on the property.

The Waegwoltic Club by this offer, have set an example that might well be followed by all the property owners, as apart from the inconveniences during the construction of the sewer, the only damage done the various properties would be the fact that no structure could be erected on the right of way. Owing to the location of the sewer, I doubt very much if any present or future owners of any one of the properties would wish to build on this location.

Owing to the changes since the original survey, a new survey has had to be made. In order to expedite the construction of the sewer, I propose to expropriate the rights required in three sections. I have completed that portion between Oakland Road and Jubilee Road and beg to submit herewith a plan entitled "North West Arm Sewer, Halifax, N. S., Expropriation Plan Oakland Road to Jubilee Road", and a description of the rights to be acquired. I am also attaching a form of resolution prepared by the City Solicitor.

When the City acquired the rights in this section, we will be able to call for tenders to proceed with the work immediately. The other two sections will be submitted just as soon as they are completed.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

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Description of rights to be expropriated for the construction of the North West Arm sewer.

The rights to be expropriated are the rights hereinafter set out in, under, over, upon and along the lands

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and premises described as follows, that is to say being the land extending for a distance of fifteen feet on each side of the center line of the sewer proposed to be constructed through the said lands extending from the north side of Oakland Road to the south side of Jubilee Road, the said center line being located as marked and delineated on a plan entitled "North West Arm Sewer, Halifax, N. S., Expropriation Plan Oakland Road to Jubilee Road," signed by H. W. Johnston, Acting City Engineer and dated the seventh day of December, 1916, and filed in the City Engineer's Office at Halifax as Plan #3670; the said rights in the said lands being the following, that is to say -

The right to construct a sewer or sewers of such materials and such size and shape and at such levels, with such manholes, catchpits and other appurtenances as the City Engineer or the City of Halifax approves of, under, in or upon the said lot.

Also the right to enter on the above described lot with carts, horses, workmen and servants at any time or from time to time by night or by day and dig up and excavate the said land and remove the earth therefrom and do all things necessary for the laying or construction of a sewer or sewers and its or their appurtenances in the above described lot.

Also where required, to fill in and raise the said lot of land with earth, stones or other suitable materials for the covering and protection of the said sewer or sewers and its or their appurtenances in such a way and to such a height as the City Engineer deems advisable.

Also the right from time to time and at any and all times hereafter whenever the City Engineer or any other City Official acting in his stead, considers it requisite, to enter upon such land with workmen, servants, horses and carts, to inspect, clean, alter, repair, renew, reconstruct, add to or rebuild such sewer or sewers and its or their appurtenances and for that purpose to dig up and excavate and open such lot and do thereon whatever may be necessary for inspecting, cleaning, altering, repairing, renewing, reconstructing, adding to or rebuilding such sewer or sewers and the appurtenances of the same;

Also the right to set and maintain monuments marking the boundaries of the said lot.

Approved and recommended to the city Council for adoption.

Also read formal resolution prepared by the City Solicitor, as follows:-

WHEREAS the City Engineer has reported recommending that certain rights in certain lands forming part of the Western Slope of the City of Halifax and set out in a plan and description of such lands and rights prepared by him, be expropriated for the purpose of constructing a sewer for the drainage of the Western Slope of the City;

AND WHEREAS it is further reported by the city Engineer that a satisfactory arrangement as to the

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compensation to be paid therefor cannot be arrived at, and that it is advisable to obtain the same by expropriation;

THEREFORE RESOLVED that proceedings be taken in the manner prescribed by law by publication of notices and otherwise for the expropriation of the said rights in the said lands;

AND FURTHER RESOLVED that the plan and description of the said lands in which the said rights are to be expropriated and of the said rights, 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 notices of the intention to expropriate as directed by law.

The resolution is approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

It is also decided to recommend to Council that the thanks of the City be tendered to the Waegwoltic and St. Mary's Amateur Aquatic Club for having granted free right of way through their properties for the sewer.

WAR - LIGHTS OUT.

Read letter Halifax Electric Tram Co. re military order for the obscuring of lights, stating their willingness to co-operate in every way, as follows:-

Halifax, December 6th, 1916.

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

Dear Sir:-

We beg to acknowledge receipt of your communication of the 1st inst., enclosing a letter from the Military Authorities regarding the lighting regulations.

In reply thereto, I beg to advise that immediately upon receipt of your verbal advice regarding the military order, the proper officers of this Company were instructed to give preferred attention to the repairing of the lamp globes, which instructions had been originally issued a few days prior to the receipt of your notification.

We shall do everything and anything possible to meet the requirements of the Militia and of the City in this respect; and if any knowledge of any neglect or oversight on our part comes to your attention, we would appreciate it a favor if you will notify us at once so that we may have an opportunity of rectifying same.

Halifax Electric Tramway Co., Ltd.
H. R. Mallison,
Asst. Secretary.

Council ✓

Engineer ✓

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Filed.

INJURY TO HORSE AND WAGGON - A. P. NOLEN.

Read claim A. P. Nolen, Mail Contractor, \$30.00, for injury to horse, waggon and harness, at excavation on Pepperell Street, December 5th.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

PUBLIC ABATTOIR.

W. E. Barrett, Architect, appeared before the Board, and submitted plans for public abattoir, stating that same are not yet complete owing to depletion of his staff of draughtsmen. Mr. Barrett promised to have the plans and specifications complete by Thursday, the 14th inst.

CANADIAN CARBONATE CO. LTD. WATER SUPPLY.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Canadian Carbonate Co., Ltd.

Recommended to City Council for approval.

WATER METERS.

Read report Acting City Engineer re tenders for water meters, recommending the acceptance of the tender of the Worthington Pump and Machinery Co. for 3000 "Worthington" meters.

Consideration of the report is deferred until a special meeting to be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

UNEVENNESS OF CONCRETE SIDEWALKS.

W. E. Schwartz appeared before the Board, complaining of the unevenness of concrete blocks in concrete sidewalks.

Referred to the City Engineer for inspection and attention.

ST. PATRICK'S BOYS' SCHOOL.

Read copy of order in Council approving of application of the Board of School Commissioners for permission to request the Board of Control to obtain by expropriation a piece of land on Maitland Street owned by Hills estate,

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as pottion of a site for new St. Patrick's Boys' School.
Also read order in Council directing the City of Halifax
to issue debentures or stock to raise the sum of \$30,120.
for purchase of a site for new St. Patrick's Boys' School.

Cont. McKean ✓

Referred to Controller McKean for report.

POLICE DEPARTMENT SALARIES.

Read petition members of the Police Force for an
increase in their salaries.

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Deferred for consideration with the estimates.

DISTURBANCE IN HOUSE #83 EDINBURGH STREET.

Read report A. J. Penny, Health Inspector, as to
premises #83 Edinburgh Street, of which complaints of
disturbance and insanitary conditions had been made,
that the premises are not in an insanitary condition.
Filed.

THANKS FOR SERVICES OF STEAMBOATS AT FIRE.

At suggestion of Controller Halliday, the Secre-
tary is instructed to forward the thanks of the Board
of Control for services rendered by the Government
steamships S. S. Minoca and G. W. Lee, at the fire on
Pickford & Black's Wharf on Sunday, the 3rd inst.

W. Clerk ✓

STEAM FIRE ENGINE ALEXANDRA.

At suggestion of Controller Murphy, Controller
Halliday is requested to report as to whether the steam
fire engine Alexandra, at the Bedford Row Station,
could be used on a float and moved about the Harbout
from place to place for water front fire protection, or
in the alternative, as to the best means of propelling
said engine by motor equipment.

Cont. Halliday ✓

ACCOUNTS.

Accounts chargeable to various departments are
recommended to the City Council for payment, as follows:-
City Home \$4509.90; General \$463.52; Police \$34.77;
Library \$18.00; Works Department \$3262.53.

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City Home.

The Buckley Coal Col	Coal	816.51
Gunn & Co. Ltd.	Flour	276.60
Wentzell's Ltd.	Groceries	378.98
E. & A. Thompson	Meats	374.03
J.A. Leaman & Co.	Pork	56.55
A. Wilson & Son	Fresh fish	42.17
Smith & Proctor	Butter	174.48
Jas. Wilson	Milk	111.37
S.C. Thompson	Forage	13.29
W.Y. Kennedy	Dry goods	163.75
The Fleischmann & Co.	Yeast	3.90
Halifax Tram Co.	Light and power	37.85
Maritime Telephone Co.	Phones	3.75
H. McFatridge	Horseshoeing	3.00
James Simmonds, Ltd.	Sundries	9.01
Hendry, Ltd.	Potatoes & turnips	993.81
H.H. Banks	Potatoes	35.00
Nickerson & Co.	Potatoes and turnips	51.80
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising	11.70
Halifax Herald	"	15.06
Chronicle Pub. Co.	"	15.06
W. McFatridge	Rope	38.75
Brookfield Bros.	Lime	2.75
Robt. Taylor Co.	Slippers	15.00
Dr. Hawkins	Lunacy certificate	5.00
B. J. Mulcahy	Cash expended	155.59
Salaries	November	705.14
		<u>\$4509.90</u>

General Accounts.

Dr. Finn	Certificates of death	
	Janet Morton	4.00
	C.W. Borden	4.00
	Mary S. Prevor	4.00
	Donald McDonald	4.00
	Geo. Ehrufull	12.00
		<u>28.00</u>
McLean Pub. Co.	Advertising Loan	12.00
The Bond Buyer	" "	21.00
Monetary Times	" "	19.00
Acadian Recorder	Advertising	49.52
Chronicle Pub. Co.	"	53.96
L.C. Smith & Co.	Hire of typewriter	4.00
E.M. Vieth	Information for assessors	10.00
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	
	City Treasurer	.90
	Mayor	8.05
	Assessors	1.00
	Collector	6.50
	Electrician	4.53
	City Clerk	72.60
		<u>93.58</u>
Imperial Pub. Co.	Printing cards and envelopes for returned soldiers	13.15
	Printing public recognition cards and envelopes for returned soldiers	61.85
		<u>75.00</u>
		<u>\$463.52</u>

Works Department.

Internal Health	162.59
City Property and Market Maintenance	75.22
Telephones	40.19
Night soil plant	18.77
Fuel City Hall	33.25

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Works Dept. Continued.

Streets	564.63
Street Lighting	13.38
Comfort Station	41.05
Teams and stables	778.75
Loan Widening Streets	1.50
Work Under Health Rules	8.36
Sewerage	149.62
Permanent sidewalks	751.53
Water Maintenance	537.99
Water Construction	85.76
	<u>\$3262.53</u>

Police Department.

Chronicle Pub. Co.	Advertising	12.54
G.A. Burbidge	Drugs	2.40
Cragg Bros. Co. Ltd.	Hardware	1.40
T.C. Johnson & Sons	Badges	3.25
Imperial Oil Co.	Oil	.76
Maritime Telephone Co.	Phones	14.42
		<u>\$34.77</u>

Citizens' Free Library.

A.L.A. Pub. Co.	Books	1.00
T.C. Allen & Co.	"	13.70
Book Room	"	.30
National Geographical Society	"	3.00
		<u>\$18.00</u>

Council ✓

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR

L. Fred Moraghan

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 7th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this afternoon at 3 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Estimates for Public Schools 1917-18.
St. Patrick's Boys' School.
Water Meters.

ESTIMATES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS 1917-18.

The following named members of the Board of School Commissioners were in attendance:- H. E. Pyke, Chairman, J. D. O'Connor, Alderman Finlay, Alderman H.S. Colwell, Alderman Parker, Alderman Kelly, H. S. Crosby, and Miss S. J. Wilson, Secretary.

The Board proceeded to the consideration of the estimates for Public Schools for 1917-18, submitted by the Board of School Commissioners, as follows:-

	<u>1918.</u>	<u>1917.</u>
Teachers	159,791.00	147,880.
" Technical	2,400.00	2,200
" Supervised Playgrounds	1,000	350
Supervisor	2,100.00	2,300
Secretary	1,300.00	1,300
Asst. Secretary	700.00	700
Caretaker	1,300.00	1,300
Truant Officer	1,100.00	1,100
Messenger	200.00	200
Janitors	16,142.00	13,800
Rents	9,588.80	9,000
Fire Insurance	2,750	1,800
Interest on debentures	7,000.00	15,790
Advertising and printing	900.00	800
Books and Stationery	1,950.00	1,400
School apparatus	1,500.00	1,000
Office Expenses	250.00	250
Fuel	20,000.00	13,500
Maintenance	20,500.00	13,600
Buildings & Grounds	12000	
Furniture	5500	
Painting, white & limewashing, cleaning	<u>3000</u>	
General Expenses	2,800.00	2,000
Water	2,000.00	2,000

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	<u>1918.</u>	<u>1917.</u>
Medical and Dental	4,950.00:	5,200.
Medical Inspector	750.	
2 nurses, \$600 each	1200.	
Auxiliary Class	2000	
Dental, Eye, Ear & Throat	<u>1000</u>	
Pension System	800.00:	
Commissioners Allowance	<u>1,000.00:</u>	<u>1,000.</u>
	<u>\$262,021.80:</u>	<u>\$237,870.00</u>

LESS:

Probable Provincial Grant 25,000.00

\$237,021.80

The foregoing does not include the interest on debentures issued by the City for School Buildings, and the annual appropriation for the Sinking Fund to retire School debentures, which are chargeable to the City directly.

The various appropriations are taken up item by item and the details explained by members of the School Board.

The members of the School Board having retired, from the meeting, the Board of Control again went through the various items and decided to recommend to the City Council that the School estimates be disapproved of, the total amount to be reduced by the sum of \$15,000.00, the items suggested to be reduced being as follows:-

	<u>Off.</u>
Teachers (Emergency)	\$2,500.00
Teachers Supervised Playgrounds	250.00
Janitors	1,642.00
Books and stationery	450.00
School Apparatus	500.00
Fuel	3,000.00
Maintenance	2500
Buildings & grounds	
Furniture	3000
Painting, white & lime washing,	
cleaning	<u>1000</u>
General Expenses	<u>400.00</u>
	<u>\$15,242.00</u>

ST. PATRICK'S BOYS' SCHOOL.

Controller McKeen verbally reported, recommending that orders in Council submitted at this morning's meeting re site for new St. Patrick's Boys' School be

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referred to the City Council. Approved.

WATER METERS.

The report of the Acting City Engineer re water meters, submitted at this morning's session, was again taken up and read.

Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Halliday that the Engineer's report recommending that the tender of the Worthington Pump and Machinery Co. for 3,000 "Worthington" water meters be accepted, be approved and recommended to the City Council for adoption. Motion passed, Controller Murphy dissenting.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

J. J. Monaghan
J. J. Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

Council ✓

Council ✓

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this evening at 8 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

FUNDS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Controller ^{McKeen}~~Murphy~~ submits the following offer from the Trustees of the Sinking Funds:-

Office of City Treasurer,
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His Worship the Mayor and
Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I am instructed by the Trustees of the Sinking Funds to offer to lend to the City of Halifax the sum of \$34,767.30 from Sinking Fund Schools for the purpose of providing for the payment of \$30,120.00 for lands necessary for a site for the new St. Patrick's Boys' School Building and for the City taking steps to expropriate land of James Hill for the same purpose, and \$4647.50 for the erection and equipment of an addition to Quinpool Road School under Chap. 67, Acts 1907. Said loan to be \$352,66 @ 98.5963, and on the security of stock or debentures of the City of Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905. The stock of debentures to bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum, and to be repayable on the first day of January, 1951, and to be dated the first day of January, 1917.

James J. Hopewell,
City Treasurer.

It is decided to recommend to Council that said offer be accepted.

The following resolution is submitted:-

WHEREAS the City will require \$34767.30 for the purpose of providing for the payment of \$30,120 for lands necessary for a site for the new St. Patrick's Boys' School building; for the City taking steps to expropriate land of James Hill for the same purpose, and for \$4647.50 for the erection and equipment of an addition to Quinpool Road School, under Chapter 67, Acts 1907;

AND WHEREAS the Trustees of the Sinking Funds have offered to purchase the City of Halifax stock of debentures of the Consolidated Fund 1905, at the par value of \$35,266, bearing interest at the rate of 5% per annum, and to be repayable on the first day of January, 1951, at the rate of 98.5963;

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AND WHEREAS the Board of Control have recommended to the City Council the acceptance of the said offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Funds, which recommendation has been by resolution adopted by the City Council;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the said sum of \$34,767.50 be borrowed from the Sinking Fund Schools for the purposes in the said resolution recited and that the said offer of the Trustees of the Sinking Funds be accepted and that stock or debentures of the City of Halifax Consolidated Fund 1905 to the said par value of \$35,266.00 be issued and delivered to the Trustees of the Sinking Funds for the said loan, and that the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to issue stock or debentures of the City of Halifax of the said par value of \$35,266.00 and to deliver the same to the Trustees of the Sinking Funds: said stock or debentures to be dated the first day of January 1917, and to be repayable on the first day of January 1951, and to bear interest at the rate of 5% per annum.

Council ✓

Approved, and recommended to the City Council for adoption.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin

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.

Cash Statement City Collector.
Barrington Street and Albemarle Street.
War - Protection of City's Water Supply.
Ocean Terminals - Fawson Street Grade.
Lights Out.
Queen Street Dump.
Theatre Licenses.
Plant Steamship Co. Water Bill.
G. A. J. Boak - Water Boiler.
Mrs. Gibson - Water Boiler.
Special Policeman Acker's Theatre.
Coal Weighers.
Water Meters.
Water Extension Harvard Street.
Gottingen Street.

CASH STATEMENT CITY COLLECTOR.

Read extract minutes of City Council, December 7th, 1916, referring back to this Board for further information the cash statement of the City Collector for the month of November.

The City Collector is requested to furnish his monthly cash statement in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter.

BARRINGTON STREET AND ALBEMARLE STREET.

Read extract minutes of meeting of the City Council, December 7th, 1916, approving of the recommendation of the Board of Control that the thoroughfare known by the four names of Pleasant Street, Barrington Street, Lockman Street and Campbell Road be given the one name of "Barrington Street", and that the name of Albemarle Street be changed to "Market Street", said changes to take effect May 1st, 1917.

In order that persons affected thereby in regard to their printing, etc. may have sufficient opportunity

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to make necessary alterations, the City Engineer is instructed to give public notice in the newspapers of the changes.

WAR - PROTECTION OF CITY'S WATER SUPPLY.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that the Board of Fire Underwriters had urged upon him that the Military Guards should not be removed from the protection of the Lakes supplying the City with water, and suggested that if they are removed that the City should itself place watchmen there.

Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Harris that the City Clerk be directed to forward another appeal to General Benson for maintenance of the Military Guards at the sources and distributing points of the water supply during the continuance of the war, informing/^{him}that during this critical time the civic authorities experience a good deal of concern in this matter, and pointing out the necessity from a military standpoint that nothing should be neglected to prevent interference with military, naval and steamship operations here.

*Call to
Mayor in Benson ✓
City Engineer ✓*

The City Engineer is instructed, in the event of the Military Authorities removing the Guards, to immediately place night watchmen at the two dams.

OCEAN TERMINALS - FAWSON STREET GRADE.

P. A. Freeman, Jeremiah Fraser and F. W. Fraser appeared before the Board, complaining of anticipated damage to their property should the Halifax Ocean Terminals carry out their present plan of changing the grade of Fawson Street, between Hollis Street and the Harbor.

The City Engineer submits alternative plan[^] of the proposed change of grade as submitted by the Terminals

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Railway.

The Board decided to visit the locality tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock to meet the gentlemen present.

The City Engineer is instructed to report as to the most feasible way of meeting the situation from the City's standpoint and for the protection of property owners.

LIGHTS OUT.

The City Clerk called attention of the Board to the fact that on December 5th the Military Authorities had published orders regarding lights out in the City of Halifax; hitherto such notices had been published ~~by~~ ^{through} the City. The Clerk stated he brought this matter before the Board for the reason that it might have some bearing on the settlement of accounts between the City and the Halifax Electric Tram Co. in respect to lights out.

The notice published by the Military Authorities was as follows:-

(British Arms).

Orders as to Lights in the City of
Halifax, Town of Dartmouth,
and Vicinity.

By virtue of the authority conferred upon me by Orders-in-Council of 12th September, 1914, and 25th March, 1915, the following Orders regarding lights in the City of Halifax, Town of Dartmouth and vicinity, are hereby made to come into force forthwith:

1. In the City of Halifax, Town of Dartmouth, lights showing on the water should be extinguished or covered, and all bright lights and clusters of lights should be shaded.
2. Outside the City of Halifax and Town of Dartmouth to which lighting orders apply include the Harbot and Approaches thereto from the Narrows to the line Sambro Island - Devil's Island.

(Signed) T. Benson, Major-General.
Comd'g. M. D. No. 6.
Competent Military Authority.

The City Solicitor is instructed to submit his opinion in writing as to whether the ordering of the

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*Engineer
Solicitor*

lights out by the Military Authorities is an act beyond the control of the City, and relieves the City from liability under its contract with the Tramway Co.

QUEEN STREET DUMP.

Read complaint Walter C. Boak re conditions at the Queen Street dump.

Engineer

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

THEATRE LICENSES.

Cont-Harris

Controller Harris is requested to report at Thursday's meeting as to theatre licenses, Strand Theatre and Casino Theatre.

PLANT STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S WATER BILL.

Engineer

Read request Plant Steamship Co. for an early report as to their complaint of excessive charge for water.

Referred to the City Engineer.

G. A. J. BOAK - WATER BOILER.

Read letter G. A. J. Boak, 161 Coburg Road, re damage to his hot water boiler, as follows:-

Halifax, December 8th, 1916.

His Worship the Mayor.
C i t y.

Dear Sir:-

With further reference to the claim which I put in some time ago to the Board of Control for damage done to hot water boiler. I herewith enclose bill from Farquhar Bros. for \$65.00 covering the replacing of the boiler which you requested me to have done.

Engineer

At the time the Acting City Engineer suggested that I replace the boiler which had been ruined by a boiler of stronger construction, but on making inquiries I found that there would be a delay of from six weeks to two months getting this boiler and consequently I was forced to replace the old one with one of the same kind.

I will be greatly obliged if the Board will give kind consideration to this matter.

G.A.J.Boak.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

MRS. GIBSON - WATER BOILER.

His Worship the Mayor requested that the City

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Engineer report as to liability of the City for damage done to hot water boiler of Mrs. Gibson, South Street, during a fire.

SPECIAL POLICEMAN ACKER'S THEATRE.

Cont. Harris ✓

Read application Acker's Theatre for the appointment of J. E. Munroe as a special policeman at said Theatre.

Referred to Controller Harris for report and recommendation.

COAL WEIGHERS.

*James O'Neill ✓
& Ceramurus ✓
supervisor*

The applications received from time to time for position of coal weigher are submitted, as follows:- John Johnson, Joseph Purcell, Alexander Collyer, Jas. Coughlan and James O'Neill.

Controller Harris recommends the appointment of James O'Neill as a supernumerary coal weigher. Approved.

WATER METERS.

Controller Halliday informed the Board that a number of citizens had protested to him against the installing of water meters on the low service. He asked that the Mayor do not sign the contract for the purchase of water meters until the City Council has an opportunity to reconsider the matter.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that under the rules of Council, Controller Murphy's notice of reconsideration is out of order, and that the Council cannot reconsider the resolution passed for the purchase of meters.

*Engineer ✓
Solicitor ✓*

The City Engineer is instructed to report as to statement made in the City Council by Controller Murphy that two gallons out of every three gallons of water supplied through the high service main ^{are} ~~is~~ unaccounted for.

The City Solicitor is requested to submit his

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opinion in writing as to what action the City Council can take in regard to reconsidering or rescinding its resolution of the 7th of December.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Halliday that His Worship the Mayor be requested to call a special meeting of the City Council for Friday evening, the 15th inst., to receive the reports of the City Engineer and City Solicitor. Motion passed.

His Worship the Mayor instructs the City Clerk to call such meeting.

WATER EXTENSION HARVARD STREET.

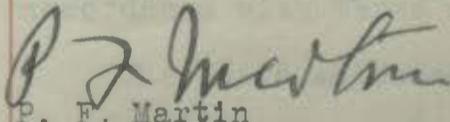
Read petition Elias Parsons for water extension Harvard Street from premises of Mr. Hilchey to property owned by ~~him~~, at #116 Harvard street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

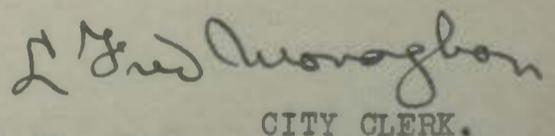
GOTTINGEN STREET.

Alderman Godwin requested that the Board of Control recommend to the City Council that the name of Gottingen Street be changed to Main Street. Deferred.

The Board adjourned.


P. F. Martin

MAYOR.


L. J. Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

December 12th, 1916.

A meeting of the Board of Control was held this evening at 8 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy, and the following representatives of the Halifax Trades and Labor Council:- President Isnor, Secretary Robert Miller, John W. Farrell, G. R. Scriven and G. W. Harris.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

A general discussion ensued respecting the present high cost of living.

It was decided that the members of the Board and a committee of the Labor Council visit the Halifax Cold Storage Plant tomorrow morning.

It was also decided to have a resolution prepared for presentation to the City Council at its next meeting, requiring dealers to submit statements under oath in accordance with terms of the Privy Council order.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

J. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

Council ✓

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 14th, 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.

St. Patrick's Boys' School Site.
Prince Street Street Line - Moir's Ltd.
College Street Water Extension.
Water Bill P. L. Purcell, 35 Upper Water Street.
Water Bill W. Caul, 5 Upper Water Street.
Water Bill Plant Steamship Company, Plant Wharf.
Injury to Horse and Waggon, A. P. Nolen.
School Board Estimates 1917-18.
Quinn Street Water Extension.
George Street Widening at Property of Cragg Bros.
Public Comfort Station.
Preston Street Street Line.
Theatre License, Casino Theatre.
Coal Hawkers - High Charges and Short Measure.
High Cost of Living.

ST. PATRICK'S BOYS' SCHOOL SITE.

Read copy of order of Lieutenant Governor in Council, dated July 21st, 1916, permitting the School Board to enter into contracts for purchase of certain properties for a site for new St. Patrick's Boys' School.

Ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for its information.

PRINCE STREET STREET LINE - MOIR'S LIMITED.

Read report City Engineer re street line Prince Street at property of Moir's Limited.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to Moir's Limited.

COLLEGE STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending water extension College Street to Summer Street.

Recommended to the Council for approval.

Council ✓

Moir's Ltd ✓

Council ✓

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WATER BILL P. L. PURCELL, 35 UPPER WATER STREET.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water meter bill P. L. Purcell, 35 Upper Water Street.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report.

WATER BILL W. GAUL, 5 UPPER WATER STREET.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water meter bill W. Gaul, 5 Upper Water Street.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report.

WATER BILL PLANT STEAMSHIP CO., PDANT WHARF.

Read report Acting City Engineer re water meter bill Canada Atlantic and Plant Steamship Co., Plant Wharf.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report.

INJURY TO HORSE AND WAGGON, A. P. NOLEN.

Read report Acting City Engineer on claim of A.P. Nolen for \$30.00 damages for injury to his horse and waggon on account of an excavation in Pepperell Street, stating that the City is not liable.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Nolen.

The City Solicitor is requested to report as to the liability, if any, on the City in cases in which irresponsible contractors neglect to properly safeguard and restore to their original condition excavations in streets.

SCHOOL BOARD ESTIMATES 1917-18.

Read letter Board of School Commissioners, stating that the Executive of the School Board had requested the approval of the Governor in Council of the estimates for Public Schools for 1917-18, as prepared by the School Commissioners and submitted to the City Council.

Read notification from the Provincial Secretary that the School Board had asserted an appeal to the Governor in Council from the objection of the City Council to various items in the School Board's estimates,

Cont. Murphy

Cont. Murphy

Cont. Murphy

*Engineer
A P Nolen*

*Whole of report
to City Solicitor*

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and that a hearing on the matter will be held on Friday morning, 15th inst. at 11 o'clock.

The Board decides to attend the hearing.

The Secretary is instructed to forward copies of the correspondence to each member of the Council.

Council ✓

QUINN STREET WATER EXTENSION.

Read petition for water extension Quinn Street.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

GEORGE STREET WIDENING AT PROPERTY OF CRAGG BROS.

It is decided to recommend to the City Council that the award of the arbitrators that the City pay all costs of the arbitration as part of the award, be approved, and that M. S. Clarke, J. G. Harris and E. J. Horne, be each paid the sum of \$30.00.

Council ✓

PUBLIC COMFORT STATION.

Tenders on amended specifications for public Comfort Station are received and opened, as follows:-

Falconer & McDonald.....	\$12,463.00
Rhodes, Curry & Co.....	12,631.00

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

PRESTON STREET STREET LINE.

Read report Acting City Engineer submitted July 27th, 1916, re street line Preston Street.

Referred back to the City Engineer for further report.

Engineer ✓

THEATRE LICENSE CASINO THEATRE.

Read report Controller Harris recommending the granting of a theatre license to the Casino Theatre.

Recommended to the City Council for approval.

Council ✓

COAL HAWKERS - HIGH CHARGES AND SHORT MEASURE.

Controller Harris and the Chief of Police are requested to investigate and attend to reports that coal hawkers are charging excessive rates for coal, and delivering short measure, and to see that all such measures

*Cont. Harris ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

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are stamped with the Government stamp.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Controllers McKeen and Murphy and the City Solicitor are requested to draft a resolution relating to the high cost of living for submission to the City Council.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR. CITY

L. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.

*Cont. McKeen ✓
Cont. Murphy ✓*

Control

Control

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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The Board of Control met this evening at 8 o'clock; present His worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Water Meters.
High Cost of Living.

WATER METERS.

Read opinion City Solicitor re water meters, and report Acting City Engineer re high service water supply.

Ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for its information.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

The following resolution submitted by the special committee appointed for that purpose, is adopted and ordered to be forwarded to the city Council:-

RESOLVED that this Council under the authority of Clause 5 of the Order in Council of His Excellency the Administrator in Council at Ottawa, in reference to the cost of living, expresses its opinion that the prices now being demanded for fuel, sugar, flour, bread, fish, milk, meat, potatoes, vegetables and eggs, within the limits of the City of Halifax are excessive, and further authorizes and directs the City Clerk to require persons dealing in the said necessaries of life within the City to make on or before the first day of January, 1917, a return in writing under oath or affirmation showing the particulars respecting such commodities detailed in the said clause 5 of the Order in Council for each day of the period beginning on the 1st day of October, 1916.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 19th, 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.

Water Bill W. Gaul, 5 Upper Water Street.
Loan \$269,000.00.
Kempt Road and Campbell Road - John F. Gough.
Lights Out - Tramway Accounts.
City Market Building Floor.
Plumbing Under Health Rules, 96 Gerrish Street.
War - Protection of City's Water Supply.
Medical Attendance on Firemen.

WATER BILL W. GAUL, 5 UPPER WATER STREET.

F. P. Bligh, agent for property of William Gaul, 5 Upper Water Street, appeared before and addressed the Board relating to water meter charges against said property, and submitted the meter readings card which showed no meter readings recorded since May, 1915.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report.

LOAN \$269,000.00.

Read letter Malone, Malone & Long, solicitors for R. M. Grant & Co., the successful tenderers for last City loan, requesting that a supplementary resolution prepared by them respecting said loan be passed by the City Council. Approved.

The City Clerk is instructed to summon a meeting of the City Council for Friday morning, 22nd inst., at 10 o'clock.

KEMPT ROAD AND CAMPBELL ROAD - JOHN F. GOUGH.

Read letter John F. Gough, as follows:-

Halifax, Dec. 16th, 1916.

To His Worship Mayor Martin
and City Controllers.

Gentlemen:-

Some time ago I wrote you and also forwarded you

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photos showing the condition in which the Government Terminal Contractors left the highway at the junction of Kempt and Campbell Roads. It is almost impossible to get into or out of my residence or place of business.

I pay a large amount of taxes into the City, and only ask that justice be done by compelling those in authority to give me a proper entrance to my place of business from the main street.

Hoping that at your earliest convenience you will interest yourselves in this matter, I remain,

John F. Cough.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

Engineer ✓

LIGHTS OUT - TRAMWAY ACCOUNTS.

Read letter Halifax Electric Tramway Company re settlement of accounts for City lighting, October and November, as follows:-

Halifax, December 15th, 1916.

To His Worship Mayor Martin.
Dear Sir:-

Referring to our conversation of a short while ago, with reference to the matter of payment for the City Street Lighting, during the period in which the street lights were ordered out, and for which outage you demand that this Company remit the City fifty per cent of the contract price which the City is obliged to pay for the period during which the lights were not in operation.

I beg to advise you that the Company has given your request full consideration. We are advised that we are under no legal obligation to remit any amount to the City under the circumstances. We, nevertheless, recognize, recognize that there is some justice in the request and although the reduction is larger than we considered right, we will agree, during the present temporary contract, to remit to the City fifty percent of the contract price of the lighting during the period for which the lights are not burning by reason of the orders of the Military Authorities.

H. R. Mallison,
Asst. Secretary.

Referred to the City Engineer and City Electrician for report.

*Engineer ✓
Electrician ✓*

CITY MARKET BUILDING FLOOR.

Read letters S. P. Dumaresq, architect for the City Market Building, re Market Building floor, stating that delay in settlement of the matter is due of inability to secure prices for work. Filed.

Engineer ✓

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PLUMBING UNDER HEALTH RULES, 96 GERRISH STREET.

Read tender George H. Kinsman, \$173.00, for installation of plumbing work under Health Rules at 96 Gerrish Street.

Engineer ✓

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

WAR - PROTECTION OF CITY'S WATER SUPPLY.

Read letter Military Authorities re the protection of the City's water supply as follows:-

Headquarters -
Halifax, 14th Dec., 1916.

L. F. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk, Halifax.
Sir:-

I have the honor, by direction, to acknowledge the receipt of your letter to Major General T. Benson, re the removal of guard from City water supply, and to state that a copy of same has been forwarded to Militia Headquarters, Ottawa.

A. N. Jones, Major,
General Staff Officer,
Mil. Dist. No. 6.

Council ✓

Ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for its information.

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE ON FIREMEN.

At request of Controller Halliday, Dr. W. B. Almon, City Medical Officer, is requested to report on the account rendered by Dr. W. D. Finn, for medical attendance on John Egan, a driver in the Fire Department, injured in the performance of his duty at West Street Engine House.

Dr W. B. Almon ✓

The Board decides to meet this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. F. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Estimates 1917-18.
Police Woman.
High Cost of Living.

ESTIMATES 1917-18.

The Board met for the purpose of considering estimates for next civic year, submitted from various departments.

Provincial Exhibition Commission.

Read statement Provincial Exhibition Commission showing expenditure over receipts for 1916 to be \$3,982.44.

It is decided to include in the estimates one-half of this sum as the City's proportion of the liability.

County Court House.

His Worship the Mayor submits estimates County Court House, amounting to \$3,500.00. Deferred.

City Health Board.

City Health Board, \$15,500.00. Approved.

City Home.

Controller Halliday submits estimates for the City Home, \$45,126.75.

It is decided to increase salaries as follows:-

Night nurses #2 male ward from \$384 to \$500.
Attendant #2 male ward from \$280 to \$312.
Night watchman from \$48 to \$60.

Further consideration is deferred.

Fire Department.

Controller Halliday submits estimates Fire Department, \$63,311.00.

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Controller Halliday is requested to report further as to salaries of the call engineers.

Further consideration of said estimates is deferred.

Police Department.

Controller Harris submits estimates for Police Department, \$52,740.00.

It is decided to deduct from said estimates the increases included therein to the salaries of the force, and to recommend to the City Council that legislation be secured to provide for said increases to be included in the estimates for 1918-19.

Controller Harris is requested to submit at next meeting, the estimates as amended.

POLICE WOMAN.

The question of the salary of police woman or parole officer, for the last six months of the civic year 1916-17 is discussed, and also the question as to whether provision should be made for such salary in next year's estimates.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

The City Clerk lays upon the table circular letter forwarded by him through the mails today to some 700 dealers, re the high cost of living.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. B. McLaughlin

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 21st, 1916.

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

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Longard Road Widening - Heber Hartlen Property.
City Home Superintendent.
Coal Weighers' Monthly Reports.
Foreman of Streets' Salary.
Nickel Refining.
High Cost of Living.
Strand Theatre License.
Theatre Licenses.
Special Policeman Acker's Theatre.
Special Policemen at Theatres.
Police Salaries.
Police Estimates.
Silliker Car Company's Successors.
Estimate 1917-18.
Policeman James W. Morrison.
Policeman James R. Martin.
War - Lights Out - Tramway Accounts.
Official City Plan.
City Health Board Accounts.

LONGARD ROAD WIDENING - HEBER HARTLEN PROPERTY.

Read account J. C. Harris, \$25.00, for services as referee in the appraisalment of land taken from Heber Hartlen for the widening of Longard Road (Robie Street).

The account is passed for payment.

CITY HOME SUPERINTENDENT.

Read application Joseph J. Livingston, Nova Scotia Hospital, Dartmouth, for the position of Superintendent of the City Home, in anticipation of a vacancy caused by illness of Superintendent Mulcahy.

The Secretary is instructed to return the application to Mr. Livingston.

COAL WEIGHERS' MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report Coal Weighers for the month of November, showing each man to have received \$97.53.

Referred to City Council for its information.

*Council
(Deferred)*

J. Livingston

Council

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FOREMAN OF STREETS' SALARY.

Read application James P. Downie, Foreman of Streets and Sewers and Sewers, for an increase of pay.

Referred to Controller Murphy for report.

NICK EL REFINING.

Read circular letter from the Board of Trade, Duncan, B. C., covering resolution urging the Dominion Government to take steps to insure the erection in Canada of a nickel refinery.

Referred to the Commercial Committee for consideration.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Read returns from various dealers in answer to circular letter respecting the high cost of living.

The Secretary is instructed to reply to the return sent in by R.B. Seeton & Co., asking them to forward a more explicit reply to clause 5 of the Order in Council.

STRAND THEATRE LICENSE.

Controller Harris submits legal opinions from Henry, Rogers, Harris & Stewart and from Edmund P. Allison re Strand Theatre license, and also report from himself as follows:-

I would recommend the granting of a license for the Strand Theatre to Mr. Frank Reardon, in accordance with the terms of the application attached hereto.

George F. Harris.

Approved.

THEATRE LICENSES.

Controller Harris and the City Solicitor are requested to report as to necessary amendments to the Ordinance respecting theatres and entertainments, including provision that theatre licenses shall be granted only to owners of premises.

Cont. Murphy ✓

*SA Saunders ✓
Secretary*

*RB Seeton ✓
26*

Council ✓

*Cont. Harris ✓
City Solicitor ✓*

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SPECIAL POLICEMAN ACKER'S THEATRE.

Read report Controller Harris recommending the appointment of Jason E. Morreau, Jr., as a special policeman at Acker's Theatre, under the usual conditions, to hold office during the pleasure of the Board of Control. Approved.

Chief of Police ✓

SPECIAL POLICEMEN AT THEATRES.

Controller Harris is requested to report as to whether the policing of theatres could be attended to by the regular police force instead of through the appointment of special policemen as at present, as the existing arrangement seriously affects the Police Superannuation Fund.

*Cont. Harris ✓
Chief of Police ✓*

POLICE SALARIES.

Controller Harris submits the following amendment to the police salary schedule to be included in the City's legislation to be presented at the approaching session of the Legislature:-

(1) For the civic year beginning 1st May, 1917, the salaries of the members of the Police Force mentioned in this section shall be the amounts mentioned herein instead of the amounts specified for them respectively in section 2 (1) of Chapter 69 of the Acts of 1913 and section 17 of Chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916:

Chief of Police.....	\$1600.00
Deputy Chief.....	1250.00
Detective.....	1150.00
Assistant Detective.....	1050.00
City Marshal.....	950.00
Sergeants.....	1000.00
Privates, 1st year.....	700.00
" 2nd " 	800.00
" 3rd and following years.	850.00

Council ✓

(2) The amount required to pay such salaries for the civic year 1917-18 in addition to the amount provided in the estimates for that year may be borrowed from any Bank or fund available and with the interest thereon included in the civic estimates for the year 1918-19 and rated and collected therewith.

Approved and ordered to be forwarded to Council.

POLICE ESTIMATES.

Controller Harris submits detailed estimate for

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for the Police Department for 1917-18, totalling \$50,040.00. Approved.

SILLIKER CAR COMPANY'S SUCCESSORS.

*Cont. Mr. Keen ✓
and Murphy ✓*

Controllers Murphy and McKeen are appointed a committee to report on the matter of the indebtedness of the Silliker Car Company's successors to the City of Halifax.

ESTIMATE 1917-18.

Various schedules of the civic estimates for 1917-1918 are dealt with as follows:-

Public Schools.

Interest and Sinking Funds - \$61,832.84. Approved.
Temporary Loans and Interest. - \$9,302.20. Approved.
Consolidated Fund 1880 - \$67,097.60. Approved.
Consolidated Fund 1905 - \$32,183.22. Approved.
Sinking Funds - \$21,651.28. Approved.
Superannuations - \$5,579.16. Approved.

County Court House.

Warden C. E. Smith and County Treasurer Parker G. Archibald appeared before the Board and explained the details of the estimates for the County Court House, and the joint estimates for the City of Halifax, Town of Dartmouth and Municipality of Halifax.

The Court House Estimates are passed at \$3,500.00.

With respect to the joint estimates for the County, the representatives of the County are requested to submit a more detailed statement, and further consideration of the schedule is deferred.

City Prison - \$8,529.00. Approved.

POLICEMAN JAMES W. MORRISON.

Chief of Police ✓

Controller Harris reports the death of Policeman James W. Morrison.

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POLICEMAN JAMES R. MARTIN.

On recommendation of Controller Harris, temporary policeman James R. Martin is appointed to the permanent force, vice James W. Morrison deceased.

Chief of Police ✓

The Chief of Police is instructed to advertise for applications for the position of policeman, to be receivable up to the 29th of December inst.

WAR - LIGHTS OUT - TRAMWAY ACCOUNTS.

Council ✓

Agreeably to resolution of the Board of the 19th inst., the City Engineer and City Electrician report on the amount due by the City for lighting for the months of October and November, under the terms of the Tramway Company's letter agreeing to accept 50% of the contract price, to be \$4,153.88. Approved, and recommended to the City Council for payment.

OFFICIAL CITY PLAN.

clerk works ✓

On recommendation of Controller Murphy, a progress payment of \$250.00 is ordered to be made to R. W. McKenzie on account of services rendered on the work of completing the Official City Plan.

CITY HEALTH BOARD ACCOUNTS.

Council ✓

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

Lawrence Hardware Co.	Flash light	.40
Kinley's Ltd.	Drugs	4.82
Halifax Wet Wash	Laundry	6.80
Michael Day	Plumbing	8.65
Halifax Tram Co.	Light	9.31
Wm. Roche	Coal	70.00
E.W. Crease & Son	Candles	.80
		<u>\$100.78</u>

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 22nd, 1916.

The Board of Control met this morning at 11.15 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

LIST OF HEADLINES.

Liquor Inspector - Liquor Vendors.
High Cost of Living.
Special Policeman Casino Theatre.
Theatre License Fees.
William Henrion's Salary.
Estimates 1917-18.

LIQUOR INSPECTOR - LIQUOR VENDORS.

The following letter is submitted and read:-

Halifax, N. S.,
December 20th, 1916.

To the Mayor and Controllers
of the City of Halifax.
Gentlemen:-

At a large representative council of the various temperance forces of the City, a resolution was passed as follows:-

"That this body of temperance workers in Halifax does most earnestly and respectfully request the Mayor and Controllers to include in their estimates for the ensuing year a liberal salary for a Liquor Inspector and also sufficient remuneration for Liquor Vendors."

It was also resolved that the above resolution should be signed and forwarded by the President of the Social Service Council and the President of the Nova Scotia Temperance Alliance.

Hamilton Wigle.
President N. S. Temperance
Alliance.

C. W. Vernon.
President Social Service
Council.

The following gentlemen, representing the Nova Scotia Temperance Alliance and Social Service Council, appeared before the Board, viz.- Rev. C. W. Vernon, John Burgoyne, Rev. H. R. Grant, P. F. Moriarty and Rev. H. Wigle.

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The Board is addressed by Rev. Mr. Vernon in support of the request outlined in the above letter.

His Worship the Mayor, on behalf of the Board, informed the delegation that the request will receive due consideration.

HIGH COST OF LIVING.

The City Clerk is instructed to telegraph to Ottawa for printed forms of questions and answers for convenience of dealers in furnishing particulars of cost and selling prices of the necessaries of life.

Clerk Perry Council ✓

SPECIAL POLICEMAN CASINO THEATRE.

Read application Casino Theatre Co. for appointment of a special policeman for said Theatre.

Cont. Harris ✓

Referred to Controller Harris for report.

THEATRE LICENSE FEES.

The City Clerk is instructed to write the City Clerks of Toronto and Montreal for information as to how the newly imposed tax on theatres is working.

*Cy. Clerk Toronto ✓
Cg. Clerk Montreal ✓*

WILLIAM HENRION'S SALARY.

Read application William Henrion for an increase in pay.

Cont. Murphy ✓

Referred to Controller Murphy for report.

ESTIMATES 1917-18.

The Board resumes consideration of the civic estimates.

County of Halifax. - \$20,355.73. Passed.

Citizens' Free Library - \$3,300.00. Passed.

School for the Blind - \$1,625.00. Passed.

School for the Deaf - \$625.00. Passed.

City Home.

It is decided to add to the list of employees at the City Home a cook and attendant at \$216.00 per year.

Gas. & Boyer ✓

The total estimate for the City Home is passed at \$45,494.75.

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Fire Department.

It is decided to recommend an increase of \$25.00 each to the pay of the members of the call force.

The total estimate for the Fire Department is placed at \$65,617.75.

City Grants and Sundries - \$34,008.12. Passed.

Salaries.

Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Harris that the City Council be recommended to apply for legislation to amend section 306 of the City Charter so as to provide for an increase of \$200.00 in the salary of the City Treasurer. Motion passed.

It is decided to increase the salaries of the stenographers included in the salary list \$50.00 each, and to transfer to the salary sheet amounts received by them from other departments.

It is decided to recommend to Council that section 316 of the City Charter be amended so as to provide for an increase of \$100.00 each to the salaries of the four sub-collectors in the City Collectors Department.

It is decided to recommend to Council that section 3 of chapter 36 of the Acts of 1916 be amended so as to provide for an increase of \$150.00 to the salary of the City Assessor.

It is decided to recommend to Council that John Spruin, Janitor of the City Hall, be superannuated at a total allowance of \$510.00 per year, of which the Officials' Superannuation Fund will contribute \$187.00 per year, and that legislation be applied for to make up the difference, amounting to \$323.00.

Moved by Controller Halliday, seconded by Controller McKeen that the salary of the City Electrician be increased \$100.00. Motion passed.

The Board adjourned to meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin
MAYOR.

L. J. Monaghan
city clerk.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

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

ESTIMATE 1917-18.

The Board resumes consideration of the estimates for 1917-18.

Salaries.

Council
It is decided to recommend to Council that section 155 of the City Charter be amended so as to provide for an increase of \$100.00 in the salary of the City Solicitor in lieu of the \$100.00 lost by him through the abolition of the Board of License Commissioners.

Read application of the City Clerk that various amounts appropriated for him for various services be included in one item as salary of City Clerk, and that he be permitted to relinquish the office of Registrar of Voters.

Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Halliday that the salary of the City Clerk be rounded out at \$2500.00.

After discussion, it is moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Halliday that the City Clerk's salary be placed at \$1800.00, and as Clerk of the Board of Control, \$500.00.

Moved in amendment by Controller Harris that the salary of the City Clerk be placed at \$2,000.00, and as Clerk of the Board of Control, \$500.00, and that Mr. Monaghan be permitted to relinquish the office of Registrar of Voters on April 30th, 1917.

The amendment is not seconded.

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The item \$1800.00 for City Clerk and \$500.00 for Clerk of the Board of Control is passed.

The salary of the City Engineer is placed at \$3,000.00 as against \$3,300.00 last year.

It is decided to recommend to Council that the Assistant City Engineer receive temporarily the salary, \$3300.00, attached to the position of City Engineer during Mr. Doane's absence on leave, the difference to be taken from the amounts estimated for the salary of the City Engineer.

Total salaries passed at \$36,550.00.

Read application W. P. Morrissey, Plumbing Inspector, and John E. Burns, Plumbing Inspector, for increases in pay.

Referred to the City Health Board for immediate report.

It is decided to include in the Revenue ^{Schedule} Department the probable income of \$6,000.00 from convictions for infringements of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act, Controller Harris dissenting.

The recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent of the Public Gardens that an appropriation be made for the care of street trees, submitted October 26th, 1916, and deferred for consideration, is again read and ordered to be filed.

Works Department Wage Scale.

Read report Controller Murphy re Works Department wage scale, as follows:-

Halifax, N. S.,
December 22nd, 1916

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

In submitting the estimates of the Works Department for the coming year, I am recommending for your consideration a further revision of the present wage scale, on the various work involved. This revision will involve

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an extra outlay of approximately \$6,000.00. While I realize that the City will be called on to face a very material increase in taxes during the coming year, due in part to the extra demands made by our Public Schools, I am sure you will agree that we cannot, under the conditions now obtaining, overlook the employees of the Works Department, as it is on them that the present conditions of food prices, rents, etc. weigh heaviest. The increase recommended will advance out present scale of wages two cents per hour all around.

I would further recommend that the City lay down a policy where men of recognized trades are employed by it, the standard scale of wage of such trade be paid said employees.

Trusting that these recommendations will receive your support,

John Murphy,
Controller.

Approved.

Works Department - \$119,360.00. Passed.

Infants' Homes.

It is decided to recommend to Council that clauses (1) and (m) of section 336 of the City Charter be amended by increasing the appropriations for the Protestant Infants' Home and for the Roman Catholic Infants' Home, \$200 each.

It is decided to recommend to Council that Richard Power, Superintendent of the Public Gardens, be superannuated at \$1,000.00 per year, with the understanding that he be permitted to live in the Superintendent's House at the Public Gardens during the remainder of his life, and that legislation be secured authorizing assessment for \$280.00 of said amount, the total amount of Mr. Power's superannuation of \$1000.00^{to} be made up as follows:-

Estimates 1917-18..... \$456.00
Officials' Superannuation Fund 264.00/
Legislation..... 280.00.

The Public Gardens estimates are passed as follows:-

	<u>1917-18.</u>	<u>Increase.</u>	<u>Decrease.</u>	<u>1916-17.</u>
Labor	\$3,900.00			3,900
Supt. R. Power			1,200	1,200
Supt. R.L. Power	1,000.00	200.00		800
Maintenance	335.00			335
	<u>\$5,235.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>1,200</u>	<u>6,235.</u>
				<u>5,235.</u>
Decrease.....				\$1,000

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Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Halliday that the Board recommend to Council that a Liquor Inspector be appointed at \$1200.00 per year, the salary to be payable out of Court Fines and Fees.

Moved in amendment by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller Murphy, that such salary be \$1,000.00 per year.

Amendment put and passed on the casting vote of His Worship the Mayor.

Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Halliday that this Board recommend to Council that provision be made for the payment of \$1000.00 each to the Liquor Vendors appointed under the provisions of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act.

Moved in amendment by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Harris that this matter be deferred.

Amendment passed on the casting vote of His Worship the Mayor.

The various schedules of the estimates are tentatively passed as follows, and ordered to be forwarded to each member of the Council -

Schedule	Extra Assessments. 1917-18.	Increase.	Decrease.	1916-17.
A-County of Halifax	20,355.73	1936.33		18419.40
B-Public Schools	298,854.64	38757.39		260097.25
C-City Home	45,494.75	5208.25		40286.50
D-Public Gardens, Parks, etc.	5,235.00		1000.00	6235.00
E-Point Pleasant Park	2,500.00			2500.00
F-Citizens' Free Library	3,300.00	300.00		3000.00
G-City Health Board	15,500.00		2500.00	18000.00
H-Superannuations	5,579.16	747.00		4832.16
I-Provincial Exhibition	1,991.22		456.43	2447.65
J-City Grants and Sundries	32,108.12	4998.42		27109.70
K-Temporary Loans and Int.	9,302.20	3158.75		6143.45
L-Consolidated Fund 1880	67,097.60		6002.50	73100.10
M-Consolidated Fund 1905	82,183.22	14932.16		67251.06
N-Sinking Funds	21,651.28	1455.75		20195.53
	\$611152.92	\$71494.05	\$9958.93	\$549617.80
	549617.80			
Increase.....	\$61,535.12			

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1917-18. Increase. Decrease. 1916-17.

General Assessment.

O-Salaries	36550.00	2100.00	550.00	35000.00
P-Police Department	50040.00	3550.00		46490.00
Q-City Prison	8529.00	1690.00		6839.00
R-Dept. of City Works	119360.00	17937.00	4000.00	105423.00
S-Fire Department	65461.00	8007.00	624.00	58078.00
T-Miscellaneous	6600.00	600.00	300.00	6300.00
	<u>\$286,540.00</u>	<u>\$33884.00</u>	<u>\$5474.00</u>	<u>\$258130.00</u>
	258,130.00			
Increase.....	<u>\$28,410.00</u>			

Loss. Gain.

U-Less Probable Income	47500.00	32800.00	12500.00	67800.00
Total General Assessments	<u>\$239040.00</u>	<u>\$66684.00</u>	<u>\$17974.00</u>	<u>\$190330.00</u>
Total Extra Assessments	611152.92	71494.05	9958.93	549617.80
	<u>\$850192.92</u>	<u>\$138178.05</u>	<u>\$27932.93</u>	<u>\$739947.80</u>
Add 1% for short collections	8501.92	1102.42		7399.50
	<u>\$858694.84</u>	<u>\$139280.47</u>		<u>\$747347.30</u>
Less for unexpended bals.	5000.00			
Less probable poll tax	<u>5000.00</u>	10000.00	1000.00	9000.00

\$848,694.84 \$139,280.47 \$28,932.93 \$738,347.30

Total Estimate for Assessment...\$848,694.84

The Board adjourned.

P. H. Martin
P. H. Martin
MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin
L. J. McLaughlin
CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 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.

Death of P. J. Broderick, Chief of Fire Department.
Estimates 1917-18.
Liquor Inspector.
Chief Fire Department.
Workmen's Compensation Act.

DEATH OF P.J. BRODERICK, CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Controller Halliday reports the death of Patrick J. Broderick, Chief of the Fire Department, which occurred on Saturday, December 23rd.

On motion of Controller Halliday, seconded by Controller Murphy, it is decided to forward the following resolution to the City Council for approval:-

RESOLVED that this Council place on record an expression of its deep sense of sympathy with Mrs. Broderick and her family in the loss by death of her husband, Patrick J. Broderick, Chief of the Halifax Fire Department, and assure her of the high esteem and appreciation in which he was held for many years by successive City Councils for the wholehearted devotion to duty, marked personal efficiency and exemplary qualities which characterized him throughout his career as Chief of one of the most important departments of the City service.

ESTIMATES 1917-18.

In connection with the appropriation of \$4,700.00 for maintenance of truants, that amount being an increase of \$3,100.00 over last year's figures, the Secretary is instructed to request R. J. Anderson, Truant Officer, and E. A. Saunders, Secretary of the Patriotic Fund, to appear at the Mayor's Office tomorrow morning at 11 o'clock.

It is decided to include in the estimates the sum

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of \$247.00 for the superannuation of Edward Meagher, and \$253.37 for the superannuation of John E. Kemp, these two men being entitled to receive from the Officials' Superannuation Fund the sums of \$153.00 and \$146.63 respectively.

It is decided to recommend to Council that legislation be sought to increase the sums to be paid to each of them by the sum of \$100.00, making the total superannuation in each case \$500.00.

Moved by Controller Halliday, seconded by Controller Murphy that the salaries of Miss Hall and Miss Doyle be placed at \$600.00 each.

Motion put and lost, Controllers McKeen and Harris and His Worship the Mayor voting against it.

The salary of the City Electrician, previously placed at \$1300.00, is now fixed at \$1200.00.

It is decided to include in the fire alarm system maintenance provision for the payment to Lineman Emmerson a salary at the rate of \$3.00 per day.

On recommendation of Controller Murphy, it is decided to increase the pay of James Downie, Foreman of Streets, \$100.00.

It is decided to increase the probable revenue for infringements of the Nova Scotia Temperance Act from \$6,000.00 to \$10,000.00.

The various amounts in schedule "J" entitled City Grants and Sundries, are submitted by the City Auditor and passed.

LIQUOR INSPECTOR.

Read application William Watkins for position of Liquor Inspector. Filed.

CHIEF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read applications Edward Condon and William P. Brunt

Council ✓

Engineer ✓
Chief of works ✓

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for position of Chief of the Fire Department.

Moved by Controller Halliday, seconded by Controller McKeen, that Edward Condon, now Acting Chief of the Fire Department, be appointed Chief.

At the request of Controller Murphy, consideration of this matter is deferred until Thursday's meeting of the Board.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT.

Read report Clerk of Works informing the Board that the Workmen's Compensation Act comes into operation on January 1st, 1917, and affects the Works Department employees.

Referred to Controller Murphy and the City Engineer for report.

The Board adjourned.

C. Murphy
Engines
P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. MacFarlane
L. J. MacFarlane

CITY CLERK.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

December 28th, 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.

Tower Road, B. H. Collins' Property.
Sewerage Western Slope of City.
Preston Street Street Line.
Lady Parole Officer.
City Home Horse.
Chief Fire Department.
Market Building Wiring Contract/
Stenographers' Salaries.
Estimates for Public Schools.
Public Gardens Accounts.

TOWER ROAD, B. H. COLLINS' PROPERTY.

Read letter Eastern Trust Co., complaining of encroachment and injury occasioned the property of Brenton H. Collins, Tower Road, by City Officials.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

SEWERAGE WESTERN SLOPE OF CITY.

Read report Acting City Engineer re sewerage western slope of the City, covering a formal resolution for approval by the City Council. Approved.

PRESTON STREET STREET LINE.

Read report Acting City Engineer re Preston Street street line at West End Baptist Church.

Referred back to the City Engineer for further information as to the value of the land involved.

LADY PAROLE OFFICER.

Moved by Controller Harris, seconded by Controller McKeen that a lady parole officer be appointed for a term of six months from November 1st, 1916, to April 30th, 1917, at a salary of \$50.00 per month, to be paid out of the amount estimated in Contingent Fund to be used for this purpose, such parole officer to perform

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such duties as are relegated to her by the Chief of Police. Motion passed.

CITY HOME HORSE.

Controller Halliday reported the necessity for the procuring of a horse for the City Home.

Controller Murphy thought the City Home might obtain the use of a horse from the Works Department for the winter.

Referred to Controllers Halliday and Murphy to arrange.

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read applications John E. Burns and John W. Churchill for the position of Chief of the Fire Department.

Referred to Controller Halliday for report at Thursday's meeting.

MARKET BUILDING WIRING CONTRACT.

Read certificate of Architect, recommending final payment to John Starr Son & Co. on their contract for wiring at the Market Building, \$239.00. Approved.

STENOGRAPHERS' SALARIES.

It is decided to increase the salaries of Miss Hall and Miss Doyle \$50.00 each, Controllers Halliday and Murphy and His Worship the Mayor voting for the motion and Controllers Harris and McKeen against it.

ESTIMATES FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Read letter Provincial Secretary covering Order in Council on the appeal by the Board of School Commissioners from the objection of the City Council to certain items in the School estimates for 1917-18.

Ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for its information.

The School estimate, totalling \$298,854.64, is ordered to be recommended to Council.

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PUBLIC GARDENS ACCOUNTS.

The following accounts chargeable to Public Gardens are passed for payment:-

Messrs Austen Bros.	Machine oil	\$2.50
Baldwin & Co.	Flower pots	7.20
S. Cunard & Co.	Coal	189.00
Halifax Elec. Tram. Co.	Light and power	11.63
Nova Scotia Nursery	Plants	51.00
Geo. A. Perrier	Plumbing	55.00
Robinson's Ltd.	Horseshoeing	1.01
Rhodes Curry Co., Ltd.	Lumber	16.23
Wm. Roche	Coal	80.00
Geo. E. Smith & Co.	Hardware	19.21
Jas. Simmonds Ltd.	"	8.70
S. C. Thompson	Fodder	29.13
		\$470.61

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. G. Monaghan
L. G. Monaghan

CITY CLERK.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY HALL,

December 28th, 1916.

The Board of Control met this evening at 7.45 o'clock; present His Worship the Mayor and Controllers Halliday, Harris, McKeen and Murphy.

ESTIMATES 1917-18.

The Board met for the purpose of considering various items in the estimates referred back by the City Council at its meeting held this afternoon.

City Clerk's Salary.

The Council's recommendation to eliminate increase of \$50.00, approved.

Assessors' Clerk's Salary.

Council's resolution to eliminate increase of \$30.00; the Board decides to return its original recommendation to the Council with amendment.

Internal Health Appropriation.

The Board agrees to the Council's recommendation to increase this item by the sum of \$1800.00.

Fire Department Double Drivers.

The Board agrees to the recommendation of the City Council to increase the pay of the double drivers by \$1.00 per week, and the sum of \$1,040.00 is added to the estimate therefor.

Lady Parole Officer.

It is decided to verbally answer in Council at this evening's session, the questions asked by Alderman Foley at this afternoon's session of Council.

Court Fines and Fees.

The two items in the tentative estimates of probable income Nova Scotia Temperance Act Infringements, \$10,000.00, and Court Fines and Fees, \$7,500.00, having been included in one item as \$17,500.00 for Court Fines and Fees, and

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the Council having recommended that said item be reduced by the sum of \$2,500.00, the Board acquiesces, and recommends that the item be placed at \$15,000.00.

Rents City Property.

The Council having recommended that this item be increased, the Board decides to return its original recommendation to the Council without amendment.

Dog Tax.

The Council having recommended that this item be increased \$300.00, the Board acquiesces.

It is decided to recommend to Council, through Controller McKeen, that the sum of \$30,000.00 be applied in the estimate toward the reduction of taxes, the said sum being a portion of the sum of \$74,000.00 about to be received from the Dominion Government on account of taxes on property etc. taken by the Dominion Government for the Halifax Ocean Terminals.

The estimate is finally passed and recommended to Council at the total sum of \$850,927.07.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

L. J. McLaughlin

CITY CLERK.

Council ✓

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 2nd, 1917.

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.

War - Protection of City's Water Supply.
Chief Fire Department.
Public Comfort Station - Return of Cheques.
Campbell Road and Kempt Road.
Medical Attendance on Firemen.
Policeman.
Strand Theatre License Legal Opinion.

WAR - PROTECTION OF CITY'S WATER SUPPLY.

Read letter Military Authorities re withdrawal of military guards from the protection of the City's water supply, as follows:-

Headquarters -
Halifax, N. S.,
28th December, 1916.

L. F. Monaghan, Esq.,
City Clerk, Halifax.
Sir:-

With further reference to your letter d/-14th inst., to General Benson - re the removal of guard from City Water Supply - I have the honor, by direction, to state that a communication has this date been received from Militia Headquarters, Ottawa, stating that it has been decided not to vary the instructions contained in a letter d/ -16th Nov., 1916, which directed that the guards employed on protection duty for the water supply of the City be withdrawn.

A. N. Jones, Major,
General Staff Officer,
Mil. Dist. No. 6.

Referred to the City Council for its information.

CHIEF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read application George Latham, 104 Barrington St., for position of Chief of the Fire Department. Filed.

PUBLIC COMFORT STATION - RETURN OF CHEQUES.

Read report Acting City Engineer re return to Rhodes Curry Co., Ltd., of the cheque forwarded by them

Council ✓

*Treasurer ✓
Engineer ✓*

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with their tender for public comfort station. Approved.

Read report Acting City Engineer re contract for public comfort station, as follows:-

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

His Worship the Mayor,
Sir:-

I beg to report on the tenders received to construct a comfort station at the north end of the Parade, that Falconer & McDonald tender to do the work for \$12,463.00; Rhodes Curry & Co., for \$12,631.00.

The amount of money available for the work is \$10,682.14. I do not consider it advisable to alter the design or cheapen the finish any more than has been done, and would recommend that permission be asked from the Legislature to borrow the additional money required to complete the station.

The estimated value of the plumbing work as figured in Messrs. Falconer & McDonald's tender is \$2370, which would leave \$10,093 for the balance of the work. The firm would be satisfied if the contract were awarded them for this balance of the work, with the understanding that if authority to borrow the money is obtained from the Legislature, a contract for the plumbing work at the price of \$2370, be entered into with them.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Moved by Controller McKeen, seconded by Controller Harris that consideration of the report be deferred for the present. Agreed to.

CAMPBELL ROAD AND KEMPT ROAD.

Read report Acting City Engineer re alteration of grades of Campbell Road and Kempt Road by the Ocean Terminals Railway, at property of John Gough, stating that it is a matter between Mr. Gough and the Railway Department, and that the City cannot interfere in any way.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to Mr. Gough.

MEDICAL ATTENDANCE ON FIREMEN.

Read account Drs. Mathers & Doull for services rendered John Egan, a fireman who was injured in the discharge of his duty at West Street engine house.

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John Gough ✓

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The City Clerk is instructed to send the bill to the City Medical Officer for report, and to inform him that it is the wish of the Board that he should attend to it at once.

POLICEMAN.

On recommendation of Controller Harris, Daniel McNeil is appointed a policeman to take the place of a policeman enlisting for overseas.

STRAND THEATRE LICENSE LEGAL OPINION.

Read account Henry, Rogers, Harris and Stewart, \$25.00, for legal opinion in the matter of Strand Theatre license.

The account is ordered to be paid.

The Board adjourned.

P. F. Martin
P. F. Martin

MAYOR.

Robert Moraghan

CITY CLERK.

Dr. W. Balwen ✓

Chief of Police ✓

Council ✓

COUNCIL CHAMBER, CITY HALL,

January 4th, 1917.

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 Supply V. G. Hospital.
Death of P. J. Broderick, Chief Fire Department.
Water Supply E. L. Fenerty's Shovel Factory.
Market Building Floors.
Fence, Chebucto Road.
City Prison Monthly Report.
Railway Crossing over City Property.
Water Charges for Building Repairs.
Tuberculosis Hospital.
City Home Monthly Report.
Cash Statement City Treasurer.
Plumbing under Health Rules at 96 Gerrish Street.
Fires and their Causes and Losses.
Dilapidated Building in Rear of St. Patrick's Girls' School.
City Lot, School Street.
Islesville Street Drainage.
North Street Sidewalk.
St. Patrick's Boys' School - Expropriation Hills Property.
Boat Landing Foot of South Street.
Gratuity to Widow of Fire Chief P. J. Broderick.
Complaint Gus Robinson against Police Sergeant Palmer.
Water Bill George Spears, 373 Agricola Street.
Canadian Press Association Convention.
Daniel MacIntosh's Superannuation.
Longard Road (Robie Street) Widening - Hartleh Property.
Foster Lot, Oxford Street.
Ship Building Subsidy.
Tower Road - Coalins Property.
Appointment of Chief of Fire Department.
Tax Bill James A. Lindsay, 1 Uniacke Street.
Preston Street Street Line.
Accounts.

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WATER BILL V. G. HOSPITAL.

Read letter Victoria General Hospital, complaining of unsatisfactory service of the City water supply to the Hospital.

Referred to the City Engineer to treat with the situation as best he can, and report.

DEATH OF P. J. BRODERICK, CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Read report E. Condon, Acting Chief of the Fire

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Department, reporting the death of the late Chief, Patrick J. Broderick, as follows:-

Halifax, January 4th, 1917.

The Board of Control.
Gentlemen:-

I beg to report the death of the late Chief. P. J. Broderick, who died on December 23rd, 1916, caused by receiving a severe cold while responding to an alarm of fire from Box 51, Sunday, November 17th, 1916, at Mrs. Patton's Boot and Shoe Store, on Gottingen Street.

E. Condon,
Acting Chief H. F. D.

Referred to the City Council for its information.

WATER SUPPLY E. L. FENERTY'S SHOVEL FACTORY.

E. Lawson Fenerty, shovel manufacturer, St. Margaret's Bay Road, appeared before the Board, stating he had been warned, because of war conditions, not to use in his factory any more coal than was absolutely necessary. The question of his rights for supply of water for his factory from Chain Lakes is now pending in the Courts. Pending the settlement of the litigation, he desired that the City supply him not only with such quantity of water as the City considers him entitled to receive, but to also such further quantity as the needs of his factory require, for which excess he is willing to pay.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

MARKET BUILDING FLOORS.

Read letter Sydney P. Dumaresq, architect for the Market Building, as follows:-

Halifax, January 4th, 1917.

To the Board of Control.
Halifax, N. S.

Gentlemen:-

Agreeably to your instructions of some time ago, we beg to say that we asked the M. E. Keefe Construction Company, the contractors for the above building, to make good the concrete floors of the same. We have received no acknowledgment to our communications and can only interpret their attitude to mean that they do not intend to comply with our request. We would therefore recommend that you deduct the value of these floors from the security which they placed in your hands and hand them back

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the balance which would be coming to them and thus wind up the business relations which the City has with this firm in connection with the above building. I would ask you to appoint some contractor familiar with this type of work, who would act with the City Engineer and myself in determining the proper amount to be so charged to the said M. E. Keefe Construction Co.

Sydney P. Dumaresq.

Mr. Dumaresq, being present, is informed that under the contract, the whole matter of the Market Building is in his hands, and that the City will not interfere in any way at the present stage.

Read letter M. E. Keefe Construction Co., Ltd., re floors of the Market Building, as follows:-

Halifax, January 3rd, 1917.

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

We received a letter from Mr. S. P. Dumaresq, Architect, in which he informs us that he is going to make a recommendation to your Board in reference to the Market floor.

We write you with the request that before any action is taken on this recommendation, we be furnished with a copy of it, and given an opportunity of presenting our statement in connection with this whole matter.

M. E. Keefe Construction Co. Ltd.
Per E. F. Keefe.

The letter is referred to Architect Dumaresq, and the Keefe Construction Co. so informed.

FENCE, CHEBUCTO ROAD.

Alderman Hines desired to know what action had been taken on the complaint made of a fence projecting over the street line, Chebucto Road.

The Alderman is requested to consult with the City Engineer.

CITY PRISON MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report Governor Grant of the City Prison, for the month of December. Filed.

RAILWAY CROSSING OVER CITY PROPERTY.

Read letter Gerald B. Ternan, as follows:-

*S. P. Dumaresq
M. E. Keefe
Construction Co.
Engineer*

Engineer

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Halifax, January 3rd, 1917.

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

The owners of the property east of Longard Road desire to get railway facilities there. To do this it is necessary to cross a small portion of the City's property which intervenes.

On behalf of the owners I therefore ask for permission to have a siding laid across said property. It is important that I should have an early reply if possible.

Gerald B. Ternan.

Referred to the City Engineer for inquiry as to the purpose for which the railway crossing is to be used, and for general report.

WATER CHARGES FOR BUILDING REPAIRS.

Read letter Clerk of Works asking for instructions as to charges for water during building repairs.

Referred to the City Engineer with authority to fix the rate and for report.

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL.

J. Fred. Fraser, Dr. W. H. Hattie, Dr. Nicholls, Dr. A. H. MacKay and Mrs. Dr. Mader, representing the Anti Tuberculosis League, appeared before and addressed the Board. They informed the Board that the costage on the City Home property now temporarily used as a tuberculosis hospital is unsuitable for the purpose. They asked that the contractors for the Ocean Terminals be requested to restore to its former condition the building known as Hazelwood, on Quinpool Road, which was formerly occupied by the hospital, so that it could be again used pending the erection of a more permanent structure. They requested that plans be prepared for a permanent hospital building on the Hazelwood property, to cost between \$40,000.00 and \$50,000.00 for the accommodation of from 40 to 50 beds. They estimated that the cost to the City for such building would be between

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\$15,000.00 and \$20,000.00, and to the province about an equal amount. The balance of the cost would be raised by the League, which already has in view a legacy of \$5,000.00 from Mrs. C. G. Blackadar, \$2,000.00 from Mr. C. G. Blackadar, and in its own funds another \$2,000.00. It is expected also that the County of Halifax would make a substantial contribution.

The Board informed the delagation that they would take their request into consideration.

CITY HOME MONTHLY REPORT.

Read report City Home for the month of December.

The clause in the report stating that the contract with Wentzell's Ltd. for supply of groceries expires January 31st, is referred to Controller Halliday to ascertain from Wentzell's Ltd. whether they will continue to supply at their present contract rates for another three months.

CASH STATEMENT CITY TREASURER.

Read cash statement City Treasurer for the month of December.

Referred to Council for its information.

PLUMBING UNDER HEALTH RULES, 96 GERRISH STREET.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending acceptance of the tender of George H. Kinsman, \$173.00, for installation of plumbing work under Health Rules at 96 Gerrish Street. Approved.

FIRES AND THEIR CAUSES AND LOSSES.

Read report Acting Chief of Fire Department re fires and their causes and losses during the month of December.

Referred to City Council for its information.

DILAPIDATED BUILDING REAR OF ST. PATRICK'S GIRLS'

SCHOOL.

Read report Acting City Engineer on above matter,

Blc ✓

Council ✓
Cont. Halliday ✓

Council ✓

Engineer ✓

Council ✓

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as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
January 3rd, 1917.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying minute of the Board of Control that I have had the building complained of examined by the Asst. Building Inspector, who reports that it is in a dilapidated condition and that the building is in such a state of non-repair as to be no longer suitable for habitation or any business purpose, and that this condition has existed for not less than six months, during which time such building had not been bona fide occupied either for habitation or business, and that the building in its present condition is a public disfigurement. The building is said to be owned by Mrs. Jonathan Adams.

Under Section 17, Chapter 46 of the Acts of 1915, the Board may appoint a time and place for the consideration of this report, and shall give the owner or agent of the building not less than ten days' notice of the time and place so appointed, furnishing him at the same time with a copy of this report. Upon a consideration of the said building such report, the Board may make an order that the owner or agent of the said building shall, within not less than one month from the date of such order, remove or destroy such building.

H. W. Johnston,
Acting City Engineer.

Approved, and the City Clerk instructed to notify the owner that the Board will consider the report on Tuesday, January 23rd, 1917, at 10 o'clock, and that she may then appear before the Board.

CITY LOT SCHOOL STREET.

Read report Acting City Engineer as follows:-

City Engineer's Office,
January 2nd, 1917.

His Worship the Mayor.
Sir:-

I beg to report on the accompanying request from Mr. Frizzell, #37 Duffus Street, asking at what price the City will sell him a building lot owned by the City on School Street. This lot was bought some years ago from Mr. Frizzell for purposes of a ballast pit. We have removed all the material required from the lot, and I do not think it is of any further use to the City. The size of the lot is 33 X 100 and we paid \$100 for it in 1910.

I have consulted with the City Assessor, who thinks that 8¢ per square foot would be a fair rate at the present time. This would make the value of the lot

*Letter
Mrs Jonathan Adams
22 1/2 School St
Engineer
HWC*

February 4th, 1915.

\$264.00.

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

The City Engineer is instructed to advertise the lot for sale by tender.

ISLESVILLE STREET DRAINAGE.

Read report Acting City Engineer recommending construction of a sewer in Islesville Street from Almon Street southwardly. Approved.

NORTH STREET SIDEWALK.

The City Engineer is requested to report as to the advisability and cost of constructing a concrete sidewalk on the south side of North Street, from Gottingen Street to Brunswick Street.

ST. PATRICK'S BOYS' SCHOOL - EXPROPRIATION HILLS PROPERTY.

Read report Acting City Engineer re expropriation of Hills property, Maitland Street, for part of site for new St. Patrick's Boys' School, together with a resolution prepared by the City Solicitor.

The report and resolution are adopted, and ordered to be forwarded to the City Council for approval.

BOAT LANDING FOOT OF SOUTH STREET.

Read application William Robinson for renewal of privileges of a boat landing at the foot of South Street, for a period of ten years.

Moved by Controller Murphy, seconded by Controller Harris that the lease now enjoyed by Mr. Robinson be renewed for a period of ten years, subject to an amended schedule of rentals to be fixed for said privileges. Motion passed.

GRATUITY TO WIDOW OF FIRE CHIEF P. J. BRODERICK.

Read application Mrs. P. J. Broderick, widow of P. J. Broderick, late Chief of the Fire Department, for a grant from the City, owing to his death being caused

A. Brinsell
37 Suffolk St.
Engineer ✓

Council ✓

Engineer ✓

Council ✓

Council ✓

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*Cont - Halliday ✓
Solicitor ✓*

through the performance of his duty.

Referred to Controller Halliday and the City Solicitor for report.

COMPLAINT GUS ROBINSON AGAINST POLICE SERGEANT PALMER.

Read letter McInnes, Mellish, Fulton & Kenny, solicitors of Gus Robinson, complaining that Sergeant Palmer had broken a pane of glass and insulted and threatened their client.

*Mr. James Mullock ✓
Cont - Harris ✓*

The Secretary is instructed to acknowledge receipt of the letter.

The complaint is referred to Controller Harris for investigation and report.

WATER BILL GEORGE SPEARS, 373 AGRICOLA STREET.

Engineer ✓

Read water bill George Spears, 373 Agricola Street, claimed to be excessive.

Referred to the City Engineer for report.

CANADIAN PRESS ASSOCIATION CONVENTION.

His Worship the Mayor informed the Board that the Canadian Press Association had under consideration three cities, Montreal, Toronto and Halifax, in which to hold their annual convention, 1917.

Council ✓

It is decided to recommend to Council that the City extend to the Canadian Press Association (J. A. Irvine, Secretary, Toronto) an invitation to hold its annual convention in 1917 in the City of Halifax.

DANIEL MACINTOSH'S SUPERANNUATION.

Alderman Finlay appeared before the Board, stating that in August last it had been decided to superannuate Daniel MacIntosh, baker at the City Home, at a total allowance of \$464.80. Since the City had now decided to superannuate two other old officials, Edward Meagher and John E. Kemp, at \$500.00 each, Mr. MacIntosh should receive the same treatment. He asked that the \$464.80 now proposed to be allowed Mr. MacIntosh be supplemented by the sum of \$35.20, making his total superannuation

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✓
C. W. McKeen

\$500.00 a year.

Referred to Controller McKeen for report.

LONGARD ROAD (ROBIE STREET) WIDENING - HARTLEN
PROPERTY.

✓
Council

The account of M. S. Clarke, \$50.00, for services as the City's arbitrator in the matter of valuing land taken from Heber Hartlen for the widening of Longard Road (Robie Street), is recommended to Council for payment.

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Solicitor

The account, \$25.00, of J. C. Harris, referee in the above matter, is referred to the City Solicitor for report.

FOSTER LOT, OXFORD STREET.

Read reports appraisers in the matter of the W.W. Foster jib-lot, Oxford Street, North Street and Chebucto Road, as follows:-

Halifax, December 22nd, 1916.

J. C. Harris, Esq.,
C i t y.

Dear Sir:-

After several discussions with you and Mr. Rogers in regard to the value of the Foster property on Oxford and North Streets and Chebucto Road, I have come to the conclusion that \$2200.00 would be a fair price for the City to pay.

As I did not understand that it was an expropriation, I therefore did not take under consideration any amount for compulsory taking.

Melvin S. Clarke.

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Halifax, December 23rd, 1916.

W. W. Foster, Esq.,
C i t y.

Sir:-

Enclosed please find letter from Melvin S. Clarke regarding your property situated on North Street, Oxford Street and Chebucto Road. After several meetings, and further consideration of your property, situated as it is for park purposes and well shaded trees, and with very small expense would make a delightful park, have concluded no reason has been advanced to make me change my former valuation, and think you are further entitled to the usual 10% allowance for forcible taking of said property.

W. Stetson Rogers.

January 4th, 1917.

Halifax, December 28th, 1916.

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

In accordance with instructions received from your Board, Mr. W. S. Rogers (representing Mr. Foster), and the writer (representing the City), finally decided to appoint Mr. M. S. Clark as third appraiser.

Inclose herewith Mr. Clarke's conclusion, in which I cannot concur, as there has been no argument offered that would convince me that this property is worth any such amount.

J. C. Harris.

Filed.

SHIP BUILDING SUBSIDY.

Read letter Joseph M. Tobin, as follows:-

Halifax, January 2nd, 1917.

To the City Council of the City of Halifax.
Dear Sirs:-

I hereby notify you that an undertaking will shortly be started for the establishment of a large shipbuilding plant on the shores of Halifax Harbor, and on behalf of the parties interested in such undertaking, I hereby make application for the subsidy or subvention authorized to be granted by the City of Halifax.

I am prepared to give you the required guarantee or assurance as to the capacity of the plant and the amount of tonnage to be constructed annually, so as to comply with the legislation authorizing the grant.

As the City grant is naturally an inducement to capital to invest in the enterprise, I should be obliged for an early intimation of the Council's views.

That such an undertaking will bring large revenue to the City and remunerative employment to the people and create a general prosperity need hardly be affirmed. Geographically, Halifax is marked out for a great development along these lines and the time is opportune for making a beginning of the new era.

From the expert opinion with which I have been supplied, I have no doubt that shipyards can be successfully operated here as anywhere in the world and that there should be an abundance of orders.

It only remains for Halifax to seize the opportunity which is now knocking at its doors.

Joseph M. Tobin.

The Secretary is instructed to write Mr. Tobin, acknowledging receipt of his application, informing him that the City is keenly interested in this matter, and to ask him to disclose the names of his principals, and

Letter
Joseph M. Tobin
J.C.

January 4th, 1918.

to put the City in touch with them in order that due consideration may be given to this important matter.

TOWER ROAD - COLLINS PROPERTY.

Read report Acting City Engineer on complaint of B. A. Weston of encroachment and injury occasioned to the property of Brenton H. Collins, Tower Road, by City officials.

A copy of the report is ordered to be forwarded to Col. Weston.

APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Moved by Controller Halliday, seconded by Controller McKeen, that Edward Condon be appointed Chief of the Fire Department from January 1st, 1917, at a salary of \$1200.00 per year whilst living in Central Engine House.

The motion is put and passed, Controller Murphy dissenting.

TAX BILL JAMES A. LINDSAY, 1 UNIACKE STREET.

Read tax bill James A. Lindsay, 1 Uniacke Street.

Referred to the City Assessor for report as to whether the assessment of \$3,000.00 on the property had not been reduced on appeal to \$2,500.00.

PRESTON STREET STREET LINE.

Read report Acting City Engineer re street line Preston Street, at the West End Baptist Church.

The report is referred back to the Engineer for further report as to whether the Church will accept the proposals suggested in his report.

ACCOUNTS.

The following named accounts chargeable to various Departments are approved and recommended to the Council for payment:- Police Department \$521.48; City Health Board \$55.11; Works Department \$4635.83; General \$622.13; Library \$146.10; City Home \$3941.06; City Prison \$161.85; Fire Department \$1103.22.

*Col Weston
Engineer ✓*

Council ✓

City Assessor ✓

Engineer ✓

Council ✓

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Police Department.

Maxwell's Ltd.	Uniforms	480.50
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising	4.65
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	14.42
Chief of Police	Laundry	1.91
Dr. F.R. Little	Services	20.00
		<u>\$521.48</u>

Health Board.

Halifax Wet Wash	Laundry	8.40
Kinldy's Ltd.	Drugs	9.00
John Starr, Son & Co.	Flash light	.70
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	16.14
P. J. Otto	Ice	9.65
Melvin & Co.	glass and putty	1.20
Halifax Electric Tram Co.	Light and power	10.02
		<u>\$55.11</u>

General Accounts.

Dr. Finn	Certificates of death	
	J.A. McIsaac.....	4.00
	Arthur Chapman....	4.00
	A.H. Marsolon.....	4.00
	Geo. Catherall.....	4.00
	Minnie O'Connor...	4.00
E.M. Vieth	Information	20.00
A.M. Fraser	Rent for typewriter	10.00
Halifax Herald	Advertising	30.00
Blackadar Bros.	Advertising	22.50
A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd.	Advertising	17.70
The Ross Print	City Clerk's Dept.	9.00
T.C. Allen & Co.	Printing	16.75
C.P.R. Telegraph	Stationery	.20
Hazelwood Cottage Hospital	Telegrams	.98
	October 31st, 1916	495.00
		<u>\$622.13</u>

Library.

T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	1.25
Mutual Subs. Agency	Magazines	144.85
		<u>\$146.10</u>

City Home.

Salaries	Pay sheet Dec.	705.14
Gunn & Co., Ltd.	Flour	368.90
Wentzell's Ltd.	Groceries	516.77
E. & A. Thompson	Meat	516.43
J.A. Leaman & Co.	Mess Pork	72.50
Smith & Proctor	Butter	212.36
Jas. Watson	Milk	118.12
A. Wilson & Son	Fresh fish	42.57
S.C. Thompson	Forage	26.58
A. Fordham & Co.	Leather	39.78
W.Y. Kennedy	Drygoods	132.60
Fleischmann Co.	Yeast	3.90
Euckley Coal Co.	Coal	487.19
T.C. Allen & Co.	Stationery	2.20
Jas. Simmonds, Ltd.	Hardware	33.95
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	3.75
Halifax Team Co.	Light	43.07
G. & A. Hutchinson	Ice	21.00
C.E. Putner	Dispensing	50.00
W. McFatriidge	Barrow wheels	1.50
John Starr, Son & Co.	Batteries	21.10
A. & W. MacKinlay, Ltd.	Books	2.60
H. McFatriidge	Horseshoeing	3.40
Farquhar Bros.	Sundries	1.45

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Hillis & Sons	Stove	11.00
Alfred Carter	Harness	14.00
Dr. Harrison	Lunacy certificate	5.00
Upper Stewiacke	Maintenance	9.26
Faulkner & Co.	Insurance	28.24
B.J. Mulcahy	Cash expended	465.70
		<u>\$3941.00</u>

City Prison.

J.J. Scriven & Sons	Bread	15.05
E.W. Crease & Son	Groceries	82.40
W.A. Maling & Co.	Dxheads	7.35
G.O. Hartlen & Co.	Beef	10.80
A.W. Wilson & Son	Salt Cod	4.50
Robt. Taylor Co.	Boots	6.90
Black & Flinn	Lime	2.50
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	4.50
Halifax Tram Co.	Light	5.85
Stroud & Eveleigh	Repairs	11.50
Neil Fox	Supplies	10.50
Moir's Ltd.	Xmas Bread	
		<u>\$161.85</u>

Fire Department.

E.B. Eddy Co.	Paper	5.70
S. Cunard & Co.	Coal	120.75
Wm. Roche	Coal	170.00
Stroud & Eveleigh	Repairs	5.55
F.W. McNally	"	4.65
A.J. McNutt	Painting sleigh	2.00
Wm. Taylor Co.	Rubber Boots	82.50
Henry Lovett	Leather	22.50
T.G. Allen & Co.	Envelopes	.48
E.W. Crease & Son	Soap	19.40
Geo. E. Smith & Co.	Supplies	26.78
Burns & Kelliher	"	10.27
David Roche	"	20.27
Cragg Bros. Co.	Drills	.20
Wm. Stairs, Son & Morrow	Hardware	18.15
National Drug & Chemical	Sponges	7.00
Dayton Tire Co.	Rims	19.00
Maritime Tel. Co.	Phones	57.82
Halifax Tram Co.	Light	53.92
H.R. Bergmann Co.	Supplies	2.59
King Edward Stables	Hire of Waggon	41.00
Jas. Simmonds, Ltd.	Supplies	33.99
Imperial Oil Co.	Oil	7.00
G.C. Thompson	Fodder	371.70
		<u>\$1103.22</u>

Works Department.

Water Maintenance	359.23
Water Construction	125.75
Sewerage	621.55
Streets	154.44
City Property & Market Maintenance	119.27333.80
Teams and Stables	333.80
Internal Health	41.63
Fuel City Hall	20.00198.80
City Hall Lighting	198.80
Street Lighting	2323.83
Permanent sidewalks	241.26
Telephones	40.19
Cleaning Paved Streets	8.75

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Night soil plant
Plumbing under Health Rules

18.23
29.20
\$4635.83

The Board adjourned.

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MAYOR.

L. Fred Moraghan

CITY CLERK.